

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 23, 2018**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, City Manager  
Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director  
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney

Mayor Gilbert Gonzales declared a quorum present and called this regular meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

**INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 9 AND OCTOBER 16, 2018**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the minutes for October 9 and October 16, 2018. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Tamez

**AUDIENCE**

No audience participation at this meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S WEED ORDINANCE NO. 622, WAIVING THE THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING**

This agenda item was passed.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH A ROTATION SYSTEM TO USE PRIVATE CONTRACTORS TO ASSIST THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE IN ITS WEEDY LOT PROGRAM**

No action taken.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE INVESTIGATOR, JUAN THOMAS GOMEZ, FOR PAYMENT OF UNUSED VACATION TIME**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the request from City of Raymondville Police Investigator, Juan Thomas Gomez, for payment of 65 hours unused vacation time. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez and Commissioner Smith

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND THE CITY OF LYFORD PERTAINING TO THE HOUSING OF PRISONERS**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the memorandum of understanding between the City of Raymondville and the City of Lyford pertaining to the housing of prisoners. Commissioner Gonzales seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Tamez

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE PURCHASING POLICY AND PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES AS REQUIRED BY THE TEXAS CDBG-DR PROGRAM**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve the City of Raymondville purchasing policy and procurement procedures as required by the Texas CDBG-DR program. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Alexandre, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez and Smith

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074, TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, RE-ASSIGNING DUTIES, DISCIPLINE AND DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE (POLICE DEPARTMENT)**

The City Commissioners entered in Executive Session at approximately 5:16 p.m.

The City Commissioners returned from Executive Session at approximately 6:41 p.m.

**ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 6**

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to terminate Marcelino Flores for violating city policy. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Alexandre, Tamez, Gonzales, Smith, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES**

No travel and training at this meeting.

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

Commissioner Gonzales approved and authorize payment of the City's bills as presented. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Alexandre and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez and Commissioner Smith

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Financial Report for September, 2018.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the Halloween Safe Haven will be held on Wednesday at the Smiley Face Park. A movie will be showing afterwards. Chief Zamora also thanked Public Works for assisting P.D. on the game room.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that the crew has been working on potholes and patching the streets.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, updated to the Board of Commissioners on the downtown lighting.

**RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ**

Chief Gutierrez was absent and had no reports.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Mayor Gilberto Gonzales declared this regular meeting adjourned.

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Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary