

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 24, 2026**

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, February 24, 2026, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner  
Joel Garcia, Commissioner  
Andy Chavez, City Manager  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

ABSENT: Commissioner Chris Tamez  
Delma Garza, City Secretary  
Alejandro Gallaga, City Attorney  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

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

Roll Call:

The following board members were present for the city meeting:

1. Mayor Gilbert Gonzales-present
2. Commissioner Joel Garcia-present
3. Commissioner Christine (Cris) Tamez-absent
4. Commissioner Clifton Smith-present
5. Commissioner Edward Gonzales-present

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ABSENCE FROM MEETING BY MAYOR OR CITY COMMISSIONERS AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE II, SECTION 6, OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S HOME RULE CHARTER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY MAYOR GILBERT GONZALES:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

**INVOCATION BY MAYOR GILBERT GONZALES:** Invocation was given by Mayor Gilbert Gonzales.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for February 10, 2026. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Smith, Gonzales, and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST: UNDER STATE LAW, A CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXISTS IF A BOARD MEMBER OR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THAT PERSON'S FAMILY, HAS A QUALIFYING FINANCIAL INTEREST IN AN AGENDA ITEM. MEMBERS WITH A CONFLICT OF INTEREST ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION OR VOTE ON AGENDA ITEMS. ARE THERE ANY KNOWN CONFLICTS OF INTEREST TO DISCLOSE AT THIS TIME? (CITY ATTORNEY-CITY MANAGER IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY SHALL READ)**

NAYS: Commissioner Gonzales, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

**AUDIENCE**

No audience participation at this city meeting.

**ENGINEERS REPORT**

Dan Hamilton, City Engineer gave the Board of Commissioners an update on current projects.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING PRESENTATION FROM THE UNITED WAY ORGANIZATION**

This agenda item was passed.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDINGS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT AND OPEN BIDS FOR THE USDA FY 2024 RURAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANT SIDEWALK RENOVATION PROJECT, TO REVIEW THE PROJECT ENGINEERS, AND COME BACK WITH A RECOMMENDED ON THE NEXT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to accept the bid for the USDA FY 2024 Rural Business Development Grant Sidewalk Renovation Project, to review the project engineers and come back with a recommended on the next board of commissioners meeting. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Gonzales, Garcia, Smith and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL TO HIRE TEMPORARY CONTRACT LABOR FOR THE RAYMONDVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve to hire temporary contract labor for the Raymondville Municipal Court. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Smith, Gonzales, Garcia and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

AYES: Commissioners Garcia, Smith, Gonzales and Mayor Gonzales

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Commissioner Tamez

**APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND TRAINING FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE EMPLOYEES**

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the travel and training for City of Raymondville employees.

1. PD officers-purchase weapons-Austin, TX-Feb. 25-27, 2026

**REPORTS**

Andy Chavez, City Manager, had no reports.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REPORTS**

Humberto Garza, Economic Development Corporation Director, gave the Board of Commissioners an update on projects.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, had no reports.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Rudy Torres, Public Works Assistant, reported that they are getting Veterans' Park ready for little league.

**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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Delma Garza, City Secretary