

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES FOR JUNE 23, 2026**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at City of Raymondville City Hall, 142 South 7th Street, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, 5:15 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilbert Gonzales, Mayor
Clifton Smith, Commissioner
Chris Tamez, Commissioner
Edward Gonzales, Commissioner
Joel Garcia, Commissioner
Andy Chavez, City Manager
Delma Garza, City Secretary
Joel Soto, Public Works Director
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

ABSENT: Alejandro Gallaga, City Attorney

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 (Chris) Tamez-present
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**

Everyone was present at this city meeting.

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 JUNE 9 & 15, 2026

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve the minutes for June 9 & 15, 2026. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

No audience participation at this city meeting.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Jose Munoz, City Engineer gave the Board of Commissioners an update on current projects.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION FROM VICTORIA ALVAREZ FROM THE RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PAY ANY ACCRUED TIME OWED

Commissioner Gonzales moved to approve to accept the resignation from Victoria Alvarez from the Raymondville Police Department and pay any accrued time owned. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL TO HIRE/TRANSFER/ADVERTISE/CONTRACT FOR THE POSITION OF PEACE OFFICER FOR THE RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Garcia moved to approve to hire/transfer/advertise/contract for the position of peace officer for the Raymondville Police Department. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL TO WAIVE FEES FOR THE VETERANS PARK FOR MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK EVENT TO BE HELD ON JUNE 25, 2026

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve to waive fees for the Veterans Park for Mental Health Awareness week event to be held on June 25, 2026. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL FOR THE 2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #1291, AMENDING CITY ORDINANCE #1123, GARBAGE ORDINANCE #1123, GARBAGE ORDINANCE TO SET FINES AND PENALTIES REGARDING ILLEGAL DUMPING

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance #1291, amending City Ordinance #1123, Garbage Ordinance #1123, Garbage Ordinance to set fines and penalties regarding Illegal Dumping. Commissioner Garcia seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

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. City Commissioners, Mayor, City Manager and Chief of Police-TML Annual Conference-San Antonio, TX- Nov. 11-13, 2026
2. Jasmin Hernandez-Sexual Assault Family Violence Investigator Course-Raymondville-8/26-28/26
3. Chief Zamora-TX Police Chiefs Leadership-Lubbock, TX-9/13-9/17/26
4. Gonzales and Sepulveda-Basic SWAT Certificate Course-7/6-7/10/26

REPORTS

Andy Chavez, City Manager, reminded the Board of Commissioners that the screw worm meeting would be on Monday at the Tourist Center at 6 p.m.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REPORTS

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

RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reminded the Board of Commissioners that the 4th of July kickball tournament will be on July 3rd.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, gave an update on the Smiley Face Park improvements.

ADJOURN

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

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Delma Garza, City Secretary