MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 3, 2017
118 SOUTH CAGE 2nd FLOOR

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas, met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, July 3, 2017 and following is the record of attendance.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez Mayor Pro-Tem Roberto "Bobby" Carrillo Comm. Daniel Chavez Comm. Ricardo Medina Comm. Mario Bracamontes
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	Comm. Ramiro Caballero Comm. Mario Bracamontes
STAFF PRESENT:	Juan G. Guerra, City Manager Edward Wylie, Asst. City Manager Hilda Pedraza, City Clerk Omar Anzaldua, City Engineer Gary Rodriguez, Events Center Director Karla Moya, Finance Director Anali Alanis, HR Director Rodolfo Martinez Municipal Judge Ruben Villescas, Police Chief Leonardo Perez, Fire Chief Melanie Cano, Development Services Dir. Sergio Alains, Parks & Rec. Director Raul Garza, CDBG Director Adolfo Garcia, Library Director Luis Bazan, Bridge Director
CITY ATTORNEY	Alan Ozuna, Attorney

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hernandez called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. Roll Call established a quorum.

A) ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Comm. Guajardo **moved** to excuse the absent members. Comm. Carrillo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

B) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, led in the pledge of allegiance and Ruben Villescas, Police Chief, said the invocation.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed up to speak.

B) PUBLIC HEARING ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CASES

No one signed up to speak.

ITEM 3. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

A) CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the City Engineer's Report and stated questions on projects could be entertained at this time. There were no questions.

B) CITY EVENTS OF INTEREST (ADMINISTRATION)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, reported Public Works would be conducting its monthly Operation Clean Sweep on Saturday, July 29, 2017 for Zone 12 at Fire Station No. 3. He also reported Movies at the Park will be taking place on Saturday, July 8, 2017 at Lorenzo "Lore" Garcia Park, 413 E. Clark. Featured movie will be Trolls and will start at sunset.

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, announced the Pharr Economic Development Corporation would be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony for Fazoli's on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at 1943 West Interstate 2, in Pharr. He also announced the Pharr Economic Development Corporation would be hosting the annual RGV Job Fair on Thursday, July 20, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Boggus Ford Events Center. He stated this event would host numerous employers/agencies to promote available jobs and career opportunities in a variety of fields and was free to the public.

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, reported the City of Pharr would be hosting a Planning Commissioners' Workshop by the American Planning Association - Texas Chapter on Friday, August 18, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. He stated the event was an excellent opportunity for Planning and Zoning Commissioners, elected officials and staff to attend the workshop at an affordable price.

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, reported the Pharr International Bridge, CBP and SAT would be having a bridge connect meeting called Update on Modernization of NAFTA and Bi-National infrastructure projects on Thursday, July 27, 2017 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Tierra Del Sol Golf Course. He stated the seminar was to update the trade on the latest developments regarding NAFTA and projects on both sides of the border.

Lastly, Mr. Guerra congratulated Ed Wylie, Assistant City Manager, for being appointed as member of the State Ethics Board by the Texas City Management Association (TCMA). He stated this board assists ICMA with fact-finding activities in cases involving ICMA members from Texas and assists in the development and monitoring of ethics training for the TCMA membership.

ITEM 4. CONSENT AGENDA

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JUNE 5, 2017 CITY COMMISSION REGULAR CALLED MEETING, AND JUNE 19, 2017 CITY COMMISSION REGULAR CALLED MEETING (ADMINISTRATION)

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES/REQUIREMENTS TO CREATE A PARKING MANAGEMENT USE DISTRICT 3RD & FINAL READING (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)

C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON REQUEST FROM MIRACLE KIDS OF SOUTH TEXAS FOR THE USAGE OF THE PHARR AQUATIC CENTER ON JULY 19, 2017 FROM 3:30 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M. (PARKS/PAL)

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON 2017 TIPA GOLF TOURNAMENT SILVER SPONSORSHIP FOR $1,000. (BRIDGE)

E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON AMPHAC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR $4,000 (BRIDGE)

F) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION AT THE PRODUCE MARKETING ASSOCIATION FRESH SUMMIT ANNUAL CONFERENCE TEXAS TOWN PAVILION FOR $8,400 (BRIDGE)

G) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR A DIGITAL SIGN AT THE PHARR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE (BRIDGE)

H) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RENEWAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF WEIGHT ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY (POLICE)

I) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF PHARR AND RGV WATER WORKS, LLC FOR WATER AND WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES (ADMINISTRATION)

J) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CASES:

1. MACUMBA PARADISE, LLC, REQUESTED RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND LATE HOURS PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (C). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A 0.102 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF LOT 97, KELLY-PHARR SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS PHYSICALLY LOCATED AT 1209 EAST NOLANA LOOP. CUP#160736

2. ANTONIO GOMEZ RODRIGUEZ AND SYLVIA SOTO RODRIGUEZ, D/B/A VERONA EVENT CENTER II, LLC, REQUESTED RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN A HEAVY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (H-C). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING LOTS 2 AND 3, MACO BUSINESS CENTER SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 109 EAST FERGUSON AVENUE. CUP#100623

3. JOSE RUBEN MENDEZ, D/B/A 100% ANTOJITOS MEXICANOS REQUESTED RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (C). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A 0.04-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF LOT 1, JACKSON RIDGE COURT PHASE 2 SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 1201 SOUTH JACKSON ROAD, SUITE 9. CUP#140525

4. **LAS MARGARITAS RESTAURANT, INC., REQUESTED RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN A BUSINESS DISTRICT (C-2). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING LOTS 7-10, CLOCK 28, PHARR ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 106 NORTH CAGE BOULEVARD. CUP#160630**

5. **ROMMEL ORGANISTA, D/B/A KURAI CHINESE & SUSHI RESTAURANT REQUESTED RENEWAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR ON-PREMISE CONSUMPTION IN A GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (C). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING LOT 1, JACKSON RIDGE COURT PHASE II SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 1201 SOUTH JACKSON, SUITE 1**

6. **EMMA E. GUERRA REQUESTED A LIFE-OF-THE-USE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW AN OVERSIZED STORAGE UNIT (14' X 19') IN A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-1). THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING LOT 83, PECAN PLANTATION SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 7711 SOUTH PECAN PLANTATION CIRCLE**

K) PLATS:

1. **MGE, REPRESENTING CITY OF PHARR, REQUESTED FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PHARR DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH CENTER SUBDIVISION. THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 5.00 ACRES, ALSO BEING A PART OR PORTION OF LOT 327, KELLY-PHARR SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED WITHIN THE 900 BLOCK OF WEST DICKER ROAD**

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the items and recommended approval of the consent agenda.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve consent agenda as recommended. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. O-2017-27 is filed with the City Clerk's Office.

REGULAR AGENDA - OPEN SESSION

ITEM 5. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE JULY 20, 2017 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE STATEMENT OF INTENT OF TEXAS GAS SERVICE COMPANY TO INCREASE RATES WITHIN INCORPORATED AREAS OF ITS SERVICE TERRITORY (ADMINISTRATION)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

Comm. Guajardo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

Resolution No. R-2017-49 is filed with the City Clerk's Office.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM PLANTATION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, ESTABLISH TRAFFIC STATUE REQUIREMENTS, ESTABLISH COSTS, AND PREPARATION OF ORDINANCE AND TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT FOR CONSIDERATION ESTABLISHING PLANTATION ROADS AS PUBLIC FOR PURPOSES OF TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT BY THE PHARR POLICE DEPARTMENT (POLICE)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

Comm. Medina **moved** to approve. Comm. Guajardo seconded the motion.

Comm. Carrillo asked if the security would be removed from the entrance. Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, responded no. He stated this was a request from the Homeowners Association for Police Department to begin patrolling within the subdivision and this was the initial step to do that. He added the roads needed to meet the standards of the city in order to enforce laws. He further stated if anything changes, it would be brought back to the Commission for consideration.

The motion was put to a vote and it carried unanimously. Resolution No. R-2017-50 is filed with the City Clerk's Office.

ITEM 6. ADMINISTRATIVE

A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 AND FINAL RECONCILIATION OF QUANTITIES FOR FIRE STATION NUMBER 3 RENOVATIONS (BID NUMBER 1617-01-528-0011) (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Medina **moved** to approve. Comm. Carrillo seconded the motion.

Comm. Medina voiced his concern with change order stating this was the third request for change orders. If that amount goes beyond the other bids, it would be more than the lowest and second bid.

Omar Anzaldua, City Engineer, stated the change order was for additional work for construction of concrete ramps to be ADA compliance in front of the substation. He mentioned this was an oversight by the design architect to consider the ADA ramps.

Comm. Medina stated we needed to make sure we were in compliance with bidding requirements.

After some discussion, the motion was put to a vote and it carried unanimously.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 3 AND FINAL RECONCILIATION OF QUANTITIES FOR THE SINGLE MACHINE REPAVING PROJECT YEAR 1 PHASE B (BID NUMBER 1516-01-528-0036) (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 FOR THE SOUTH PHARR DEVELOPMENT & RESEARCH CENTER AND EXHIBIT HALL (BID NUMBER 1617-01-528-0021) (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

D) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PETITION TO DESIGNATE CAGE BLVD. TO LT. COL. FIDENCIO R. BARRERA BLVD. (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended no action but opened the floor for discussion.

Comm. Carrillo stated all businesses along Cage needed to be notified as this might have a financial impact on them. He further encouraged the public's input.

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, stated we might consider looking into the area where Mr. Barrera lived and perhaps identify a road in that area.

Comm. Medina recommended that a committee be established for review of street name changes.

E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON OPTIONS FOR LOGOS ON THE CITY OF PHARR'S ELEVATED STORAGE TANKS (ADMINISTRATION)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated the PRIDE Leadership and Principles needed to be rolled out to the water towers. He stated staff was proposing to place the Pharr Pride, City Logo, and some wording on the storage tanks. He stated this was just to update them and no action was necessary.

ITEM 7. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SMARTBRIDGE (CRISIS360) FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Medina **moved** to approve. Comm. Guajardo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEOGOV FOR ONLINE APPLICATIONS AND ON BOARDING SERVICES (INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and briefly stated this was for online job applications and the cost was approximately $34,000. He further stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

C) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN UPDATED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ALAMO FOR TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATING TO RADIO COMMUNICATIONS (INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Ed Wylie, Assistant City Manager, stated the City owns and operates a radio system, which is above of what the city needs so we opened it up for other cities to use the airwaves. He further stated this was part of the City's interoperability plan.

Comm. Medina **moved** to approve. Comm. Guajardo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH CERES ENVIRONMENTAL FOR THE SERVICES OF CATASTROPHIC EVENT DEBRIS REMOVAL IN THE CITY OF PHARR (PUBLIC WORKS)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Medina **moved** to approve. Comm. Carrillo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER AND NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE FY16 DONATIONS ACCEPTANCE PROGRAM (DAP) PHARR LPOE CARGO INSPECTION DOCK & COLD INSPECTION FACILITY EXPANSION AND AGRICULTURE LAB & TRAINING CENTER FACILITY PROJECT (ENGINEERING)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

F) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CONTRACT WITH XOANA FOR ROAD SIGNS AND SMALL BILLBOARDS IN REYNOSA (BRIDGE)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

G) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CONTRACT WITH UT-RGV FOR TRADE DASHBOARD AND ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PHARR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE (BRIDGE)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and stated staff recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve. Comm. Chavez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

H) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON PROJECT MONDAY (ADMINISTRATION)

Juan G. Guerra, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval as approved by PHFC Jackson Place Apartments Corporation Board.

Comm. Carrillo **moved** to approve as recommended. Comm. Medina seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 8. CLOSED SESSION: IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOV'T. CODE, THE PHARR BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY GIVES NOTICE THAT IT MAY MEET IN A CLOSED (NON-PUBLIC) EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE ITEMS LISTED ON THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING AGENDA. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING BELOW

None.

ITEM 9. RECONVENE

None.

ITEM 10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the board, Comm. Medina **moved** to adjourn. Comm. Carrillo seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

CITY OF PHARR

AMBROSIO HERNANDEZ
MAYOR

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF PHARR

ON THIS THE 3rd DAY OF JULY 2017 the Board of Commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas convened in a **REGULAR CALLED MEETING** at the Commissioner's Room located at 118 S. Cage, 2nd Floor, Pharr, Texas. The meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, place, subject, hereof, having been posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Act) and there being present a quorum, I, **HILDA PEDRAZA, CITY CLERK**, of the City of Pharr, Texas, certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes.

ATTEST:

HILDA PEDRAZA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED: July 17, 2017