

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2018
118 SOUTH CAGE 2nd FLOOR**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Pharr, Texas, met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, December 17, 2018 and following is the record of attendance.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez
Comm. Eleazar Guajardo
Comm. Roberto “Bobby” Carrillo
Comm. Ramiro Caballero
Comm. Daniel Chavez
Comm. Ricardo Medina
Comm. Mario Bracamontes

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Alex Meade, City Manager
Edward Wylie, Deputy City Manager
Hilda Pedraza, City Clerk
Omar Anzaldua, City Engineer
Gary Rodriguez, Events Center Director
Karla Moya, Finance Director
Anali Alanis, HR Director
Marissa Hernandez, Municipal Judge
Leonardo Perez, Fire Chief
Jose Luengo, Police Chief
Melanie Cano, Dev. Services Dir.
Ricardo Pedraza, Public Works Director
Jose Villescas, Public Utilities Director
Sergio Alanis, Parks & Rec. Director
Raul Garza, CDBG Director
Adolfo Garcia, Library Director
Jose Pena, I.T. Director
Luis Bazan, Bridge Director
Sandra Zamora, Purchasing Dir.
Danny Ramirez, Communications Dir.

CITY ATTORNEY Patricia Rigney, City Attorney

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

Mayor Hernandez called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Roll call established a quorum.

B) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION

Luis Bazan, Bridge Director, led in the pledge of allegiance and said the invocation.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) PUBLIC HEARING ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CASES

None

ITEM 3. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS

A) SUBMISSION OF SALES TAX COLLECTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2018

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the Sales Tax Collection Report for the month of December and reported there was an overall positive result for \$649,981, which was a 16.25% increase for the same time last year.

B) CITY EVENTS OF INTEREST

Alex Meade, City Manager, reported on upcoming events at the Pharr Events Center. He stated two PSJA Orchestra events would take place on December 17 and December 18, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Blue Santa Toy Giveaway would be held on December 19, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Parks and Recreation Football Ceremonies would take place on December 20, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Little Joe Concert on December 22, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Alex Meade, City Manager, further reported the City of Pharr would be having a Christmas Tamalada on Friday, December 21, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Development and Research Center located at 850 W. Dicker Rd. He stated this was a free event and invited everyone to attend.

At this time, Comm. Carrillo thanked the City of Pharr staff for a great job and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ITEM 4. CONSENT AGENDA

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 10, 2018 REGULAR CALLED MEETING (ADMINISTRATION)

B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RESOLUTION FOR TEXAS LEVERAGE FUND (PEDC II)

C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR 300KW NATURAL GAS STAND-BY GENERATOR FOR THE NEW PHARR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING (COMMUNICATIONS)

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR A VIDEO WALL FOR THE NEW PHARR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS BUILDING (COMMUNICATIONS)

E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CASES: (ADMINISTRATION)

1. LOS BANDIDOS MEXICAN GRILL & SPORTS BAR REQUESTED A 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 0.06 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF LOT 188, VALLE DE LA PRIMAVERA SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS 6903 SOUTH JACKSON ROAD. CUP#181179
2. THE CITY OF PHARR, FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE CITY, REQUESTED A CHANGE OF ZONE FROM SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-1) TO HEAVY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (H-C). THE SUBJECT SITE IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF EAST CLARK AVENUE WITH THE PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL ADDRESS BEING 200 EAST CLARK AVENUE. COZ#181177

PLATS:

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1. **M GARCIA ENGINEERING, LLC, REPRESENTING DARREL JOHNSON, A ATTIC XI LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, A TEXAS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, REQUESTED PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED A ATTIC XI SUBDIVISION. THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING A 4.957 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN LOT 202, KELLY-PHARR SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED WITHIN THE 1200 BLOCK OF WEST RIDGE ROAD. SUB#181135 (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**
2. **CLH ENGINEERING INC., REPRESENTING RICARDO ABREU, REQUESTED FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED KISKEYA PARK SUBDIVISION. THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING 3.42 ACRES OUT OF LOT 8, BLOCK 4, A.J. MCCOLL SUBDIVISION, PHARR, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED WITHIN THE 1200 BLOCK OF WEST MINNESOTA ROAD. SUB#160924 (DEVELOPMENT SERVICES)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval of the consent agenda.

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

Ordinance No. O-2018-49 and Resolution No. R-2018-72 are filed with the City Clerk's Office.

REGULAR AGENDA - OPEN SESSION

ITEM 5. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY OF PHARR THOROUGHFARE PLAN AND THE HIDALGO COUNTY THOROUGHFARE PLAN TO REFLECT RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) REVISIONS REQUESTED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR CAGE BLVD. (US 281), NOLANA LOOP (FM 3461) AND JACKSON RD. (FM 3362 AND FM 2061) (ENGINEERING)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He briefly stated this was to increase right-of-way on the City of Pharr Thoroughfare Plan from 120 feet to 150 feet as per TxDOT and recommended approval.

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

Resolution No. R-2018-73 is filed with the City Clerk's Office.

- B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON RESOLUTION APPROVING REVISED MISSION, VISION, AND GOALS FOR THE CITY OF PHARR (ADMINISTRATION)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He briefly explained this was a condensed version of the mission, vision and goals previously approved by City Commission and recommended approval.

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

Resolution No. R-2018-74 is filed with the City Clerk's Office.

ITEM 6. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON ACCEPTANCE OF THE DESIGN/BUILD VICTOR GARCIA SKATE PARK PROJECT AND RELEASE OF RETAINAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 (PROJECT NO. 1718-40-510-S003-020) (ENGINEERING)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

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

- B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 WITH LONGORIA'S ELECTRIC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,775 FOR THE WITTEN PARK & PHARR SPORTS COMPLEX LIGHTING (EMERGENCY) (PROJECT NO. 1718-40-510-C012-001) (ENGINEERING)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He briefly stated this was to relocate some concrete light poles and recommended approval.

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

- C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ACCEPTING THE 2018 CITY OF PHARR WATER AND WASTEWATER MASTER PLAN PREPARED BY GARCIA INFRASTRUCTURE CONSULTANTS, LLC. (ENGINEERING)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and staff has reviewed the plan and concurred with the findings. He further recommended approval.

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

ITEM 7. PURCHASING

- A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO RATIFY THE PURCHASE OF LIME SLURRY FOR ROADWAY SUBGRADE LIME TREATMENT FOR PHARR BRIDGE PHASE II PROJECT TOTALING \$56,118. IN ADDITION, STAFF IS SEEKING AUTHORIZATION TO SET-UP A SUPPLY CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TYPE B LIME SLURRY AT A UNIT PRICE OF \$187.06/TON FOR THE REMAINDER OF FISCAL YEAR 18-19 (PROJECT #1819-01-517-SP001-001) (PUBLIC WORKS)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

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

- B) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF COMPUTERS (154) AND DISPLAY MONITORS (54) WITH IMAGING SERVICES THROUGH A TEXAS DIR CONTRACT WITH SHI GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS FOR LIBRARY AND VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENT COMPUTER REPLACEMENTS (PROJECT #1819-01-518-P004-003) (IT)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

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

- C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF (14) FOURTEEN XYBIX DISPATCH CONSOLES UTILIZING AN H-GAC CONTRACT #EC07-18 WITH ERGOFLEX SYSTEMS, INC. DBA XYBIX SYSTEMS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$180,428.50 (PROJECT #1819-01-525-P007-001) (COMMUNICATIONS)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He stated this was for the new Communications Center building and recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo asked how advanced the technology was. Danny Ramirez, Communications Director, stated this equipment had a 5-year warranty and the technology should keep us going for at least 10 years.

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

ITEM 8. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

- A) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH SMARTCOM TELEPHONE, LLC FOR DATA NETWORK CONNECTIVITY AT NEW COMMUNICATIONS CENTER BUILDING. (PROJECT #1819-01-518-IPQ024-001) (IT)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and recommended approval.

Comm. Guajardo moved to approve. Comm. Chavez 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 DOCTORS HOSPITAL AT RENAISSANCE, LTD FOR A ONE TIME WELLNESS SCREENING SERVICES (PROJECT 1819-01-526-IPQ025-001) (HR)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He briefly explained this was for the 2019 Health Fair in January and further recommended approval.

Comm. Carrillo moved to approve. Comm. Chavez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried by majority vote of six (6) ayes and one (1) abstention. Mayor Hernandez abstained from voting.

- C) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE DESIGN OF THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT OXIDATION DITCH NO. 2 AND OTHER ITEMS IDENTIFIED BY TCEQ IN NEED OF REPAIR (PROJECT #1819-60-584-S010-001) (ENGINEERING)**

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and called upon City Engineer.

Omar Anzaldúa, City Engineer, stated this was for the regional scope of rehabilitation of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Oxidation Ditch #2. He stated TCEQ performed an inspection and identified other areas that need to be addressed. At this time, he recommended approval.

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

D) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION, IF ANY, ON AGREEMENT FOR PHARR INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SURVEILLANCE PROJECT (BRIDGE)

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item. He stated the awarded company was taken over by new management and staff would like to consider hiring another security company to finish the installation.

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

ITEM 10. 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

The time being 4:11 p.m., Mayor Hernandez stated the commission would be entering into closed session in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Govt. Code to discuss agenda items listed in the public portion of the agenda and Pursuant to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.084 and 551.087.

ITEM 11. RECONVENE

The time being 4:26 p.m., Mayor Hernandez stated the commission would be resuming the open meeting.

ITEM 9. LEGAL

A) CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEYS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DAHLIA YBARRA VS. CITY OF PHARR, C-4849-16-F (LEGAL)

Alex Meade, City Manager, introduced the item and stated no action would be taken at this time.

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the board, Comm. Carrillo moved to adjourn. Comm. Chavez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

CITY OF PHARR



AMBROSIO HERNANDEZ
MAYOR

MINUTES: REGULAR CALLED MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2018

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF PHARR**

ON THIS THE 17th DAY OF DECEMBER 2018 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: January 7, 2019