

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 11, 2015**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in a Regular Session at Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, 5:00 P.M., with the following officials and members present:

Gilberto Gonzales, Mayor  
Clifton Smith, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Chris Tamez, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager  
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Delma Garza, Assistant City Secretary

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

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

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

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR JULY 28, 2015**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the minutes for July 28, 2015. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**AUDIENCE**

Vanessa Tijerina, approached the Board of Commissioners with some concerns on the Raymondville Police Department body cameras and also mentioned the Skate Park and it being a good idea and experience for her.

Ruben P. Villarreal, approached the Board of Commissioners to advertise that he would be running for president.

---

Roy Garcia from Cardenas Ford, approached the Board of Commissioners to invite everyone to the meet and greet Miss Texas on Saturday from 2-4 pm.

**MUNICIPAL JUDGE REPORT**

Felecita Gutierrez, Municipal Court Judge, presented to the Board of Commissioners the Municipal Court monthly report for July, 2015. Total collected for July, 2015 was \$15,619.70.

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the Municipal Court monthly report for July, 2015. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDED OF CHEMICAL BIDS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve to review the bids and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY BID(S)/OFFER(S) RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES STRUCK OFF TO WILLACY COUNTY FOR ITSELF AND OTHER TAXING JURISDICTIONS:**

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 2, HARDWICK & WHITFIELD ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 148, PAGE 161, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS. (ACCT. MP. 141316)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TRACT 3: LOT 4 (E25') THRU LOT 5, BLOCK 2, BRADLEY COURTS SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 101, PAGE 871, DEED RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 36823)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 30, BLOCK 10 ORIGINAL TOWNSITE ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 159, PAGE 187, DEED RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 12485)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 3, AND 4, BLOCK 1, BUENA VISTA NO. 1 AN ADDITION TO

---

THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN, VOLUME 456, PAGE 143, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 18343)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 36, TUSKEGEE SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 161, PAGE 313, DEED RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 18751)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LAS PALMAS SUBD., BLOCK 3, LOT 23 THRU 25 (ACCT. NO. 15864)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TRACT 1: LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 5, COLONIA VICTORIA, CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 37, PAGE 247, DEED RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 28806)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 9, COLONIA VICTORIA ADDITION, SECTION 1, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 1, PAGE 4-A, PLAT RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 16943)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 13 AND 14, DELTA SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 2, PAGE 9, MAP RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 17963)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TRACT 1: LOTS 9 AND 10, JOHN ROBERTS SUBDIVISION, OUT OF THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF BLOCK 'B', G. W. MUSGRAVE SUBDIVISION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 3, PAGE 29, MAP RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 24142)

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 1, 2 AND 3, BLOCK 29, ORIGINAL TOWNSITE ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 61, PAGE 85, DEED RECORDS OF WILLACY COUNTY, TEXAS (ACCT. NO. 17153)

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the offer(s) received in our office with the exception of proposal #17153. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

---

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BID(S)/OFFER RECEIVED ON PROPERTIES STRUCK-OFF TO WILLACY COUNTY**

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the resolution approving the bid(s)/offer received on properties struck-off to Willacy County. Commissioner Tamez seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING THE “UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY DAY,” IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Mayor Gonzales presented the proclamation proclaiming the “University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Day,” in the City of Raymondville to Velinda Reyes.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE IN SIGNATORIES FOR UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE RBEG GRANT**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the resolution authorizing change in signatories for United States Department of Agriculture RBEG Grant. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATION PAY INCREASES FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION EMPLOYEE, OSCAR GARCIA, AND REGISTERED TAX COLLECTOR, LETICIA MUNIZ**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve of certification pay increases of a \$1.00 for Water Distribution employee, Oscar Garcia, and registered tax collector, Leticia Muniz. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR BOND FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

- a) Tony's Electric
- b) Tones Electric

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the electrical contractor bond for the above electrician. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE AND THE TEXAS BOLL WEEVIL ERDICATION FOUNDATION**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the lease agreement pending the change of names from EDC to City of Raymondville. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Tamez moved to approve the budget amendments for City of Raymondville Departments. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CONVEYANCE OF ABANDONED TWENTY (20') FOOT ALLEY FOR PROPOSED CVS STORE IN THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the conveyance of abandoned twenty (20') foot alley for proposed CVS store in the City of Raymondville. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

---

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT BUILDING PROJECT**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve the change order No. 3 for the City of Raymondville Police Department Building Project. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**BUDGET WORKSHOP ON FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 BUDGET**

No action taken.

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

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

1. Catalina Ozuna and Mayor Gonzales from EDC funds-PACE Conference-SPI, Texas-Aug. 19-21, 2015
2. Commissioner Tamez-PACE Conference-SPT, Texas-Aug. 19-21, 2015
3. Rosie Saucedo and Robbie Estrada-Basic Telecommunicators License-Harlingen, Texas-August 24-28, 2015

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF TAX ASSESSOR'S/COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR JULY, 2015**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, presented to the Board of Commissioners, for approval, the Tax Assessor/Collector's monthly report for July, 2015.

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the monthly Tax Assessor/Collector's report as presented. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

---

**APPROVAL OF CITY BILLS**

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

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: None

**REPORTS**

Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary, had no reports.

**RAYMONDVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police, reported to the Board of Commissioners a tally sheet on crimes.

Chief Zamora also mentioned that Christmas in August will be on Friday from 4-6 pm.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Joel Soto, Public Works Director, reported to the Board of Commissioners that weedy lots are being cut, some street patching and water breaks are being worked on as well.

Andy Chavez, Public Works Supervisor, reported to the Board of Commissioners patch work.

**RAYMONDVILLE FIRE CHIEF OSCAR GUTIERREZ**

**REPORTS**

Oscar Gutierrez, Fire Chief, was absent and had no reports.

**RAYMONDVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**REPORTS**

Catalina Ozuna, Economic Director, and Reyna Associates presented to the Board of Commissioners the COREDC activity report for July, 2015.

**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:

---

Eleazar Garcia, Jr.

---

City Manager/Secretary