

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 20, 2013**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Texas met in Special Session at the Raymondville Rural Technology Center, 700 FM 3168, Raymondville, Texas, on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 5:00 P.M.. with the following officials and members present:

Clifton Smith, Mayor Pro Tem  
Yolanda Alexandre, Commissioner  
Eziquiel Cavazos, Commissioner  
Eleazar Garcia, Jr., City Manager/Secretary  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police  
Delma C. Garza, Assistant City Secretary  
Joel Soto, Public Works Director

Absent: Orlando A. Correa, Mayor  
Mary Gutierrez, Commissioner  
William R. Wepfer, City Attorney  
Uvaldo Zamora, Chief of Police

Mayor Pro Tem Clifton Smith declared a quorum present and called this Special Meeting to order.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Clifton Smith.

**INVOCATION:** Invocation was given by Mayor Pro Tem Clifton Smith.

**AUDIENCE**

No audience participation at this meeting.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING OF RFQ'S FOR BOND COUNSEL FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD WATER IMPROVEMENTS**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve to open the RFQ's for bond counsel for the City of Raymondville's Texas Water Development Board Water Improvements. The board set up a committee the members are as follows: Eleazar Garcia Jr., Delma Garza, Diana Chavez and Yolanda Alexandre to score and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Smith, Alexandre, Cavazos and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa and Commissioner Gutierrez

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING OF RFQ'S FOR FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE'S TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD WATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve to open the RFQ's for financial advisor for the City of Raymondville's Texas Water Development Board Water Improvements Project. The board set up a committee the members are as follows: Eleazar Garcia, Jr., Delma Garza, Diana Chavez and Yolanda Alexandre to score and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa and Commissioner Gutierrez

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OPENING AND AWARDING OF GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSALS FOR THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE FOR 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR**

Commissioner Alexandre moved to approve to open and set up a committee to review and make a recommendation at the next city meeting. The members are as follow: Eleazar Garcia, Jr., Delma Garza, Diana Chavez and Yolanda Alexandre. Commissioner Cavazos seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa and Commissioner Gutierrez

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1174, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS ("CITY"), APPROVING A NEGOTIATED RESOLUTION BETWEEN CITY AND TEXAS GAS SERVICE ("TGS" OR "THE COMPANY"). REGARDING THE COMPANY'S MAY 1, 2013 COST OF SERVICE ADJUSTMENT ("COSA") FILING; DECLARING EXISTING RATES TO BE UNREASONABLE; ADOPTING TARIFFS THAT REFLECT RATE ADJUSTMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT AND FINDING THE RATES TO BE SET BY THE ATTACHED TARIFFS TO BE JUST AND REASONABLE AND NECESSARY RATE CASE EXPENSES; ADOPTING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; DETERMINING THAT THIS ORDINANCE WAS PASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEALING ANY PRIOR ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COMPANY AND THE CITY'S LEGAL COUNSEL; AND WAIVING THE CITY'S THREE READINGS AND APPROVAL ON ONE READING"**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to approve the ordinance No. 1174, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Raymondville, Texas ("City"), approving a negotiated resolution between city and Texas Gas Service ("TGS" or "The Company"). Regarding the Company's May 1, 2013 Cost of

Service Adjustment (“COSA”) filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement and finding the rates to be set by the attached tariffs to be just and reasonable; providing for the recovery of the City’s reasonable and necessary rate case expenses; adopting a savings clause; determining that this ordinance was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; declaring an effective date; repealing any prior ordinance inconsistent with this ordinance; requiring delivery of this ordinance to the company and the City’s Legal counsel; and waiving the City’s three readings and approval on one reading.” Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa and Commissioner Gutierrez

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074, TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, RE-ASSIGNING DUTIES, DISCIPLINE AND DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE (STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE)**

The City Commissioners entered in Executive Session at approximately 5:13 p.m.

The City Commissioners returned from Executive Session at approximately 5:20 p.m.

**ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM NO. 9**

Commissioner Cavazos moved to terminate Michael Sosa due to violation of City of Raymondville personnel policies and procedures. Commissioner Alexandre seconded the motion which carried by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner Cavazos, Smith, Alexandre and Mayor Pro Tem Smith

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT FOR VOTE: Mayor Correa and Commissioner Gutierrez

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners of the City of Raymondville, Commissioner Cavazos declared this special meeting adjourned.

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Orlando A. Correa, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Eleazar Garcia, Jr.  
City Manager/Secretary

