#### **JULY 23, 2002**

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE, TEXAS WAS HELD TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2002 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALCORN COMMISSION CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 200 EAST KLEBERG AVENUE.

### **CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Charles E. Wilson, City Commissioner Horacio (Hoss) Castillo, City Commissioner Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr., Mayor Al Garcia, City Commissioner

### **CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Arturo Pecos, City Commissioner

### **CITY STAFF PRESENT:**

Hector M. Hinojosa, City Manager
Diana F. Valadez, City Secretary
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
Dora Byington, Director of Purchasing
Stanley Fees, City Engineer
Jennifer Detloff, Director of Development Services
Artemio Alvarez, Risk Manager
Corando Garza, Assistant City Manager / Fire Chief

# I. PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS.

# **OPEN MEETING:**

Mrs. Dora Byington, Director of Purchasing led the Commission and members of the audience in an invocation. Immediately thereafter, City Commissioner Al Garcia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) - REQUIRED BY LAW.

There were no minutes available for approval.

# II. PUBLIC HEARING – (REQUIRED BY LAW).

1. None.

# III. PETITIONS, GRIEVANCES, AND PRESENTATIONS.

1. <u>MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS.</u> (CITY <u>COMMISSION</u>).

There were no comments made at this time.

### 2. <u>CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. (CITY MANAGER).</u>

Mr. Hector M. Hinojosa, City Manager, stated that budget workshops had been scheduled to begin on July 29, 2002 and continue through July 31, 2002 at 11:30 a.m.

#### IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS.

# 1. COMMENTS ON ALL AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

There were no comments made at this time.

# V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMISSIONERS.

1. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR GENERAL CAVAZOS BOULEVARD TO RENDER CERTAIN SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2001 TEXAS CAPITAL FUND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROJECT, CONTRACT #721092.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that City staff ranked the proposals submitted by the engineering firms, and according to that ranking he recommended that an agreement be signed with S & B Infrastructure from McAllen. He stated that Naismith Engineering from Corpus Christi ranked second and Alpha Engineering from Kingsville ranked third.

A motion was made by Commissioner Charles E. Wilson and seconded by Commissioner Horacio (Hoss) Castillo to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with S & B Infrastructure.

Mrs. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney recommended that Commissioner Castillo withdraw his motion and abstain from voting on this issue due to a conflict of interest. Commissioner Castillo stated that in this case, he would not be voting in favor of his brother's firm, Alpha Engineering. Ms. Alvarez responded that since a bid was submitted by Alpha Engineering for this project, it would be in the best interest for Commissioner Castillo to abstain.

Commissioner Castillo then withdrew his second to the motion. Immediately thereafter, Commissioner Garcia seconded the original motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional engineering services agreement for General Cavazos Boulevard to render certain services in connection with the 2001 Texas Capital Fund Infrastructure Grant Project, Contract #721092. The motion passed by a 3/0/1 vote. Commissioner Castillo abstained from voting.

# VI. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana F. Valadez, City Secretary