

JUNE 18, 2001

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE, TEXAS WAS HELD MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2001 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALCORN COMMISSION CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 200 EAST KLEBERG AVENUE.

CITY COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stanley Laskowski, City Commissioner
 Rene "Mr. V" Villarreal, City Commissioner
 Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr., Mayor
 Arturo Pecos, City Commissioner
 Al Garcia, City Commissioner

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Hector M. Hinojosa, City Manager
 Diana F. Valadez, City Secretary
 Ruben Perez, City Attorney
 Stanley Fees, Director of Planning
 Dianne Leubert, Solid Waste Superintendent
 Dora Byington, Director of Purchasing
 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, Mr. Stanley Fees, Director of Planning, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) – REQUIRED BY LAW.

The Commission was presented with the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on Monday, April 23, 2001. These minutes were approved on May 29, 2001. However Mayor Esquivel requested that a statement he made be reflected on the minutes. After the audio tape was reviewed and the research was complete, it was determined that Mayor Esquivel had made the statement during the discussion of the overpass issue. These minutes were resubmitted for approval once again. The correction was made on page four. The statement he made is as follows: "He explained that 3.5 million dollars from the Texas Department of Transportation would be put back into the State Project Fund and the City of Kingsville would never see those dollars again". Mayor Esquivel stated that 1.5 million was the City's match which would be paid at \$10,000 per year for twenty years at a 4.5% interest rate in the infrastructure bank.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Stanley Laskowski and seconded by Commissioner Al Garcia to approve the minutes with the correction made. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

II. PUBLIC HEARING – (REQUIRED BY LAW).

1. None.

III. PETITIONS, GRIEVANCES, AND PRESENTATIONS.

1. PRESENTATION OF USES OF FUNDS SCHEDULE FOR 2001 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION. (DIRECTOR OF FINANCE).

Mr. Victor Salas, Director of Finance addressed the Commission and explained the uses of funds schedule for the certificates of obligation. He explained that the total costs for the landfill project totaled to \$2,060,797, the total for the equipment was \$460,000 and the cost of the issuance totaled \$44,582.

There was a discussion regarding City employees actually doing the work for the backfill at the landfill, the construction of the 30' fence, the costs of issuing the certificates of obligation and the costs for the new equipment that would be purchased with the certificates of obligation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS.

Mr. Joe Kramer asked the Commission what the "break even" point would be to charge the landfill customers. He stated that it was previously stated that the cost would be \$37.00 per ton, but is now curious what that amount is actually going to be. Mr. Kramer stated that it is going to be very difficult to get citizens to use the landfill at \$37.00 per ton. He recommended the Commission consider privatizing the landfill operations.

V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION BY COMMISSIONERS.

1. CONSIDER AWARDED CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF MSW LANDFILL DISPOSAL AREA, SECTOR 2 – TYPE 1 AND SECTION 1 – TYPE IV AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO. (CITY MANAGER).

Mr. Hinojosa stated that bids were opened on June 12th and four different companies submitted bids. He stated that after reviewing the bids, he recommended the contract be awarded to Onyx Contractors from Odessa, Texas. Mr. Hinojosa stated that the total contract price is \$1,839,813.96.

Mayor Esquivel stated that he wants to make sure that this project is being done in the most cost efficient manner. He stated that Mr. Homer Castillo, Engineer, informed him that the bid specifications did not meet the requirements of the permit by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

There was a discussion regarding the continued use of El Centro Landfill under the current agreement with them.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Laskowski and seconded by Commissioner Garcia to award the contract to Onyx Contractors for the construction of the MSW Landfill Disposal Area, Sector 2 – Type 1 and Section 1 – Type IV. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

2. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. (CITY MANAGER).

A. UPDATE ON ESTABLISHING CITY MISSION STATEMENT AND GOALS.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that he has chosen Capstone Company to meet with the Commission to set goals and objectives. He asked the Commission what dates they would be available to meet with this company.

Mayor Esquivel expressed his dissatisfaction on the company chosen by Mr. Hinojosa and stated that Camber Corporation had already made a presentation to the Commission, therefore that company should have been chosen for this task.

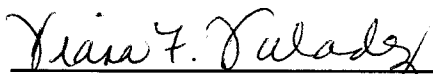
After a brief discussion, it was determined that Mr. Hinojosa would contact the representatives of Capstone Company to make a formal presentation to the Commission.

VI. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Filemon "Phil" Esquivel, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:



Diana F. Valadez, City Secretary