

DECEMBER 1, 2014

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE CITY COMMISSION WAS HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2014 IN THE HONORABLE ROBERT H. ALCORN COMMISSION CHAMBERS 200 EAST KLEBERG AVENUE AT 4:00 P.M.

CITY COMMISSION PRESENT:

Sam Fugate, Mayor
Dianne Leubert, Commissioner
Noel Pena, Commissioner
Arturo Pecos, Commissioner
Al Garcia, Commissioner

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Vince Capell, City Manager
Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
David Mason, Purchasing/IT Director
Deborah Balli, Finance Director
Tom Ginter, Director of Planning & Development Services
Leo Alarcon, Tourism Director
Emilio Garcia, Health Director
Susan Ivy, Parks & Recreation Manager
Charlie Cardenas, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Ricardo Torres, Chief of Police
Bill Donnell, Assistant Public Works Director
Melissa Perez, Risk Manager
Diana Gonzales, Human Resources Director

I. Preliminary Proceedings.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Fugate called the meeting to order in the Robert H. Alcorn Commission Chamber at 4:00 p.m. and announced quorum with all five Commission members present.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – (Mayor Fugate)

Mayor Fugate announced that unless there were any objections, he would like to waive these proceedings. No objections were made.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S) – Required by Law

Regular Meeting – November 24, 2014

Motion made by Commissioner Pena to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Pecos. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Leubert, Pecos, Pena voting “FOR”. Fugate and Garcia “ABSTAINED”.

Public Hearing - (Required by Law).¹

1. NONE.

II. Reports from Commission & Staff.² (City Manager’s Staff Report Attached).

“At this time, the City Commission and Staff will report/update on all committee assignments which may include, but is not limited to the following: Planning & Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustments, Historical Board, Housing Authority Board, Library Board, Health Board, Tourism, Chamber of Commerce, Coastal Bend Council of Governments, Conner Museum, Keep Kingsville Beautiful, and Texas Municipal League. Staff reports include the following: Building & Development , Code Enforcement, Proposed Development Report; Accounting & Finance – Financial & Investment Information, Monthly Financial Reports; Police & Fire Department – Grant Update, Police & Fire Reports; Street Updates; Public Works- Building Maintenance, Construction Updates; Park Services - grant(s) update, miscellaneous park projects, Administration –Workshop Schedule, Interlocal Agreements, Public Information, Hotel Occupancy Report, Quiet Zone, Proclamations, Health Plan Update, Tax Increment Zone Presentation, Main Street Downtown, Chapter 59 project, Financial Advisor. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time.”

Mrs. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney, announced that the next regular City Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 8, 2014 and a special City Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, December 15, 2014.

III. Public Comment on Agenda Items.³

1. Comments on all agenda and non-agenda items.

No public comments were made at this time.

IV.

Consent Agenda

Notice to the Public

The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The Commission has been furnished with background and support material on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Commission Member in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.

CONSENT MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES AND ORDINANCES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

(At this point the Commission will vote on all motions, resolutions and ordinances not removed for individual consideration)

Motion made by Commissioner Pena to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Commissioner Pecos. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Leubert, Pecos, Pena, Garcia, Fugate voting "FOR".

1. Motion to approve final passage of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 CO Series 2011-Utility Fund 006 Budget for the completion of constructing water well #25 pump house and ground storage tank. (Director of Finance).

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES:

VI. Items for consideration by Commissioners.⁴

2. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 General Fund Budget for membership into the Texas Mayors of Military Communities. (Director of Finance).

Mrs. Deborah Balli, Finance Director, reported that this item was not a budgeted item in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015. The amount to pay for this membership will come from fund balance.

Mayor Fugate reported that this group consists of Mayors from cities that have a military base installation within their city. The group built an alliance of Mayors to help protect their military bases from BRAC closures. There are 12 communities in Texas that have military installations to which the cities are banding together to lobby and promote our bases and trying to get the state to provide funds to help BRAC proof the military installations. Fugate further stated that the Governor of Texas budgeted \$30,000,000.00 for military value projects in the various bases. Fugate also mentioned that what makes this appealing is there are some major cities involved within alliance. Mayor Fugate further stated that he would need to give credit to the Mayor of Killeen, TX for creating this group.

Introduction item.

3. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Municipal Court Technology Fund Budget for technology purchases in FY 14-15. (Director of Finance).

Mrs. Balli reported that due to an oversight the Municipal Court Technology Fund expenditures were left out of the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Adopted Budget. Municipal Court is requesting funding from the Technology Fund to cover the costs of replacing a copier and DVR in the Municipal court office, court notification calls and month software maintenance fees.

Introduction item.

4. Workshop to discuss the proposed changes to City seal, logo, branding, wayfinding. (Director of Tourism).

Mr. Vince Capell, City Manager, reported that once the City Commission adopts the new logo, it will be updating everything from stationary, business cards to emblems. The city wants to be sure that the local public and those to which we are trying to attract to our community know where we are located which will prompt them to look into what Kingsville has to offer. A city slogan is also being looked into and will be asking the Commission for their thoughts on this as well. Mr. Capell further stated that with all the variations of the logo and slogan can create some confusion. Once it is decided what the logo will look like,

it will be enforced to be used as adopted. No changes are to be made to the logo without the approval of the City Commission.

Mr. Leo Alarcon, Tourism Director, reported that in late September it was mentioned to him to begin the work on a new city logo. The logo being proposed today comes from several buildings throughout the city such as the old H.M. King High School, and the tower from Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Some discussion took place regarding the similarity of the proposed city logo to that of Texas A&M University-Kingsville. Several handouts with pictures were given to the City Commission.

The City Commission commented on some of the changes they would like to see implemented into the proposed new City logo. They would like to see the dome on the tower colored in gold and change the palm to the left side of the logo and replace it with a cactus. It was further requested that the star at the end of the horseshoe be changed to a different color or change the outline of it.

Commissioner Pecos stated that he would like to see a sample of a decal that would be used on a police unit or made into a patch for city uniforms.

Mr. Jonathan Swindle of HiRise presented to the Commission a PowerPoint presentation of billboard mockups and way-finding signage that utilize the proposed city logo.

Mr. Capell commented that during one of his staff meetings, he presented the proposed city logo and received some good feedback from staff. He further stated that he would also like to create a slogan for Kingsville, as there are several slogans now.

The City Commission further commented favorably on the new proposed city logo, but would still like to see the requested changes before making a final decision.

VII. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.


Sam R. Fugate, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary Valenzuela, TRMG, City Secretary