

JANUARY 8, 2018

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE CITY COMMISSION WAS HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018 IN THE HELEN KLEBERG GROVES COMMUNITY ROOM 400 WEST KING AVENUE, KINGSVILLE, TEXAS AT 6:00 P.M.

CITY COMMISSION PRESENT:

Edna Lopez, Commissioner
Arturo Pecos, Commissioner
Al Garcia, Commissioner

CITY COMMISSION ABSENT:

Sam Fugate, Mayor

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Jesús Garza, City Manager
Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary
Kyle Benson, IT Manager
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
Tom Ginter, Director of Planning & Development Services
Emilio Garcia, Health Director
Derek Williams, Systems Specialist
Bill Donnell, Public Works Director
Charlie Sosa, Purchasing Manager
Deborah Balli, Finance Director
Cynthia Martin, Downtown Manager
Diana Gonzales, Human Resources Director
Leo Alarcon, Tourism Director
Robert Rodriguez, Library Director
David Guerra, Fire Department Lieutenant
David Solis, Risk Manager
Ricardo Torres, Chief of Police
Israel Vasquez, Maintenance Manager
Sharam Santillan, Capital Improvements Manager
Richard Flores, Golf Course Manager

I. Preliminary Proceedings.

OPEN MEETING

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – (Mayor Fugate)

Mayor Pro-tem Lopez opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. with three Commission members present. Mayor Fugate being absent.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Regular Meeting - December 11, 2017

Special Meeting - December 18, 2017

No action taken on minutes. Minutes will be placed on the January 22, 2018 agenda for approval.

II. Public Hearing - (Required by Law).¹

None.

III. Reports from Commission & Staff.²

*"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, Investment Report, Quarterly Budget Report, Monthly Financial Reports, Utilities Billing Update; Police-Communications Update; Police & Fire Department – Grant Update, Police & Fire Reports; **Streets Update**; Public Works; Building Maintenance, Construction Updates; Park Services - grant(s) update, miscellaneous park projects, Emergency Management, Administration –Workshop Schedule, Interlocal Agreements, Public Information, Hotel Occupancy Report, Quiet Zone, SEP, Legislative Update, Proclamations, Health Plan Update, Tax Increment Zone Presentation, Main Street Downtown, Chapter 59 project, Financial Advisor, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Water And Wastewater Rate Study Presentation, **Golf Course Update**. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time."*

Mr. Bill Donnell, Public Works Director gave a Streets Update to the City Commission. He reported that it's been a slow process for the road construction on Lott Street due to weather conditions. Staff was able to sealcoat the two blocks minus the intersection this past weekend, on Saturday. The plan is also to do a hot mix overlay on those portions of the street on Wednesday and Thursday. The Street Department has also been doing routine maintenance such as mowing, signs, and cleaning curb and gutter.

Mr. Garza commented that he has had a conversation with Mr. Donnell about starting to prepare for the 2018 Wings Over South Texas Airshow. This will require for staff to do mowing and cleaning of certain areas more specifically on the access roads and highways.

Mayor Pro-tem Lopez commented that staff needs to report to TXDOT about trash on the overpass, particularly the one on King St.

Mr. Garza commented that staff will be working with TXDOT on the maintenance of the roads. Staff is also trying to work with them on trying to resolve the lighting issue as there are a lot of lights along the access roads that are out. Other lights that are out are on the overpass bridge on Carlos Truan.

Mr. Sharam Santillan, Capital Improvements Manager updated the City Commission on the Santa Gertrudis Street Project. Mr. Santillan reported that this project has had some slow progress due to weather conditions. A second pass of primer was done and staff will be sealcoating on Wednesday; and hot mix is going to be laid the following week and finished off with restriping. The project should be completed by end of January, weather permitting.

Mr. Garza commented that after the heavy rainfall, staff had some testing done in some of the base material to ensure it was not compromised with the weather, of which the results came back positive.

Mr. Santillan commented that the moisture content was tested as well as the compaction.

Commissioner Garcia asked staff test the compaction up and down the road.

Mr. Santillan commented that there is one test for every 300 feet of roadway. The individual goes out with radioactive equipment that they use. They drive a metal rod into the compaction which will then shootout radioactive signals that test the compaction.

Mr. Richard Flores, Golf Course Manager reported on the irrigation project at the Golf Course. He stated that the irrigation project was delayed due to weather conditions in the past several weeks. As of January 2nd, they have put a lot more men on the project. They have completed three holes, which consist of 75 sprinkler heads and were also tested today. Of those 75, 72 were successful with three failing. Flores commented that the project should be completed by the deadline date.

Commissioner Lopez asked when the project is to be completed.

Mr. Flores responded that it should be completed by the end of January, 2018. He further stated that the crew is on their fifth hole, as far as changing out the sprinkler heads. They are on the seventh hole as far as running their communication wire. They also have the three holes complete which include holes 17, 18, 10, and sprinkles on the putting green have been installed.

Mr. Garza commented that Rainbird is assisting staff that the installation is occurring accurately.

Commissioner Garcia asked how the installation of the sprinkler system effected the play.

Mr. Flores responded that due to the weather conditions, the play has been slow. Due to the shutdown of the back nine, the front is fully operational so they are playing the front nine twice. This will allow the contractors to do the work needed and also allow golfers the ability to play.

Mr. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney reported that the next scheduled City Commission meeting will be on January 22, 2018, with a deadline of January 12, 2018 for staff to submit agenda items. Alvarez also reported that City Offices will be closed on January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items.³

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

Mr. Allen Fisher who is the new Managing Editor for the Kingsville Record introduced himself to the City Commission.

Mr. Lance Hamm, 912 South Creek. Mr. Hamm thanked Commission and staff for their assistance on the selective traffic enforcement program to enforce traffic near the city. Hamm stated that this has been a long battle that he has been fighting for many years, and this is just one more step that he would like to thank the City for, especially for the intersection on FM 1717 and US Hwy 77. He further commented that people will speak about the four E's which are the Engineering, Education, Enforcement, and Emergency Response. He stated that what the Commission will be discussing later this evening has to do with the enforcement part. Hamm stated that it is very important to not only have the speeds that they want, but to also enforce them. He is hopeful that the City's police staff will do a great job of keeping the speeds at their speed limits, especially at the intersection on FM 1717. Hamm commented that while making his travels to City Hall, he was driving down 14th Street, two bicyclist were trying to cross the road, of course it's a busy road, the bicyclist were having a hard time getting across this busy road as there is no crosswalks. Hamm stated that he thinks this road was recently repaved which could be part of the problem. He stated that not only on 14th Street but also coming from Walmart heading North there is no crosswalks as well as near Harvey Elementary. He stated that the school zone on King Ave, there are three sections of the school zone covers; one intersection has crosswalk and the other two don't. He stated that 17th, 18th, and 19th Street don't have sidewalks. Hamm commented that one can get the child across the road but the child will still be walking on the road to get to the school for the next block or two. Hamm commented that he is happy the city is getting the STEP Program, but he is trying to reinforce to the City Commission that we have a long way to go in Kingsville as far as pedestrian safety, child safety, bicycling safety and even up and down King Avenue, crosswalks are very far and between. He stated that there is a mechanism where you push the button for the crossing but there is no crosswalk to cross the street in. Hamm stated that if anyone ever reads police reports, if there is a fatality on a pedestrian, one or two sentences on the report read that the pedestrian was not in a crosswalk.

V.

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

1. Motion to approve final passage of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget to include JK Northway project not completed in FY2016-2017. (Finance Director).

2. Motion to approve return of donation from Kingsville Historic Downtown District Association. (City Manager).

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES:

VI. Items for consideration by Commissioners.⁴

3. Consider resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Construction Contract with Rusty Van Fleet Construction, Inc. for the Municipal Building First Floor Renovation Project. (Purchasing Manager).

Mr. Charlie Sosa, Purchasing Manager reported that this item will authorize the City to enter into a contract with Rusty Van Fleet Construction, Inc., for the Municipal Building First Floor renovations. Competitive sealed bids were published in the newspaper on October 29, 2017 and November 5, 2017. Bids were accepted until 2:00 P.M. on November 14, 2017. Two responses were received from Victory Building Team of

Corpus Christi and Rusty Van Fleet of Kingsville. Staff reviewed the information received to be responsive. Architect Solka Nava Torno, Inc., reviewed the qualifications and discussed two firm's bids based on a point evaluation system. Solka Nava Torno, Inc., recommended Rusty Van Fleet to be the best firm for the City of Kingsville. At a previous meeting on December 18, 2017, the City Commission awarded RFP#18-05 to Rusty Van Fleet Construction and authorized staff to negotiate a contract. The total amount of the contract for the renovation with approved alternates is \$915,500.00 which will be paid from the Building Fund.

Motion made by Commissioner Pecos to approve this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Garcia. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Pecos, Garcia, Lopez voting "FOR".

4. Consider resolution authorizing participation in and acceptance of funds from the 2019 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) with the Texas Department of Transportation for police traffic enforcement with an anticipated cash match, authorizing the Chief of Police to act on the City's behalf with such program. (Police Chief).

Mr. Ricardo Torres, Police Chief stated that the Police Department has been invited to participate in the 2019 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). The department has \$12,000 that has been awarded to the department with at 20% cash match. Torres stated that they will have a four mile linear area that they will be working under this particular grant.

Commissioner Pecos asked where the department was planning on retrieving the 20% cash match.

Chief Torres responded that they would get that money from budgeted money they have existing.

Motion made by Commissioner Pecos to approve this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Garcia. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Garcia, Pecos, Lopez voting "FOR".

5. Discuss update on Drainage Master Plan and public outreach. (City Manager).

Mr. Santillan, Capital Improvement Manager stated that during this discussion, staff will mention the nine locations that were chosen based off the public involvement meeting and online survey responses. Santillan stated that Kate Ploetzner from Kimley Horn will be making the presentation to the City Commission.

Ms. Kate Ploetzner, representative of Kimley Horn commented that on December 11th, during a City Commission meeting, they had already opened up the online survey that asked about eight questions for citizens to answer regarding area that flood. In addition to the online survey, a public involvement meeting was scheduled for December 12, 2017.

At this time, Ms. Ploetzner discussed and displayed two maps showing the results of the online survey and the other the results from the public involvement meeting. The map show locations from the online survey as well. Thirty responses were received from this survey and fifteen surveys that were filled out during the public involvement meeting. She further showed a slide showing the nine locations that were selected. Location No. 1, Fairview Dr. between E. Santa Gertrudis Ave. and Brookshire St. show that drainage issue of flooding issues along Fairview Dr. and stalled vehicles during heavy rainfall events. Location No. 2, 19th Street from E. Lott Ave. to Maple Street; drainage issues are flooding issues along roads and impassable roads; trouble entering driveways.

Commissioner Pecos commented that flooding takes place on 16th Street and Lott Street. This neighborhood gets flooded every year. Pecos further commented that when 14th Street was repaired, this are floods.

Ms. Ploetzner further stated that Location No. 3, the neighborhood on 21st Street from John Street to Caesar Ave show that drainage issues of flooding in the streets and impassable roads; danger of stalled vehicles. Location No. 4, Alexander Avenue from 11th Street to 14th Street have issues with positive drainage along ditch on southside of Alexander Avenue, and ditch stands full of water for days; sometimes causing flooded streets and residents' yards. Location No. 5, Caesar Place Subdivision has flooding issues in streets and high water in roads and front yards.

Commissioner Lopez commented that this is coming from 14th Street off of Miller.

Location No. 6, the neighborhood off of Lewis Street and Senator Carlos Truan Blvd. as well as Virginia and Parker Avenue being included, has flooding issues in streets and impassable roads; homes in danger of flooding. Location No. 7, the neighborhood on North and South Pasadena Street and 7th Street between Carol Ave and BU 77 has flooding issues in streets, particularly near the N. and S. Pasadena Street intersection near the existing inlet and high water in roads and near homes. Location No. 8, the neighborhood off of Paulson Falls Blvd. has issues with flooding in streets, particularly Brook Lane, Kelly Lane, and the intersection of Alice Lane and Alice Lane intersection. It also has issues with high water on roads and near homes.

Commissioner Garcia commented that this is a new subdivision and with them already having these problems, one can only imagine what the older neighborhoods are going through.

Mr. Garza commented that now, staff is aware that there is an issue there as in the past, the southern portion of this subdivision had gone undeveloped and when it was developed a few years ago is when these issue started. Garza stated that the study will encompass not on the geography of the neighborhood but potentially the pond situation, as it is all encompassing that whole area.

Commissioner Garcia commented that there is a ditch running along that area which is on the Northside of the neighborhood, but it still floods.

Mr. Garza commented that since everything flows southeast, there is a lot of major flooding issues on Kelly, which is one of the newer streets that was developed. This is a combination that is naturally flowing southeastern corner of this neighborhood with potentially some issues with the pond that maybe it wasn't done right or something. It could also be a combination of different issues that may be connected with the pond.

Commissioner Garcia commented that his biggest concern is that this is a brand new subdivision and compare to other subdivision that are in the city, this new one floods.

Mrs. Alvarez asked if the location numbers were randomly assigned or are they in order of priority?

Mr. Santillan responded that they were randomly assigned.

Ms. Ploetzner continued with Location No. 9, N. 17th Street and Corral Ave. intersection has issues with flooding in streets and standing water. This location is more of a safety issue.

Mr. Garza commented that Corral Street is a TXDOT road. A lot of the areas that were identified earlier, especially 14th Street feeding into Miller or even potentially with Alexander, it is important to note that we may be very limited with what we can and cannot do depending on what the recommended solution is, as it is TXDOT. Garza stated that this is not only a city issue, but a TXDOT issue as well. Staff has been in communication with TXDOT and they will have a seat at the table and allow them to participate in some type of way.

Commissioner Garcia commented that his biggest concern is 14th Street and King Avenue as well as Caesar and Circle Drive which are areas that floods when the city receives five inches of rain within an hour. Garcia asked for Ms. Ploetzner to explain the problems the city deals with when it comes to TXDOT on drainage.

Ms. Ploetzner commented that it can be a timely process working with TXDOT, especially if city standards are to where if the city has higher standards than TXDOT wants to provide or mitigate. This can be a lengthy process, but it has been done before.

Mr. Garza commented that the common denominator here is that some of the issues are coming from TXDOT roadways. Garza stated that staff will work with them to figure this situation out. If there would have been a tenth location, it would have been the King Avenue area. As the staff goes through this process, there may be an opportunity to add a tenth location just based on the workload involved with these nine locations. Garza further commented that when this process first started this process, from staff's perspective, what we were expecting was focusing on major thoroughfares. It was evident after speaking with the Commission and community members and reading the survey responses that were submitted, it shows that it's neighborhood issues that are of bigger concern. Garza stated that the idea of the Master Plan has somewhat shifted from focusing on just major thoroughfares to trying to find solutions for our neighborhoods. It is important that we get some support for the Drainage Master Plan, not only from the Commission but also from the Community, as eventually it will come with recommendations on how staff can pay for some of these solutions.

Ms. Ploetzner commented that it is expected to have a final deliverable by mid-May.

6. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget for critical repairs to Fire Department truck aerial apparatus tower 1. (Fire Chief).

Mr. David Guerra, Lieutenant for the Fire Department reported that the Kingsville Fire Department is requesting a budget amendment to the department's Vehicle/Machinery Maintenance Account in the amount of \$20,000. The request comes due to various critical repairs and maintenance discrepancies identified during a comprehensive preventative maintenance check. The comprehensive preventive maintenance revealed repairs to the powering steering components, PTO pump, primary wet tanks, CAF System, wheel assemblies, wheel seals, and degradation to the aerial ladder hoist cylinders. Guerra stated that this apparatus is very important to the Fire Station as it provides elevated waterway, which is very important when they have a downtown fire. This is also their reserve pump, so if any engine on the east or west side were to go down, this unit would have to step up and act as their second apparatus. This unit also provides an elevated rescue platform, which is instrumental due to the growth of the college and anything being built around the college is becoming a multi-story building. Guerra further stated that the budget amendment request supports the goals set by the Kingsville Fire Department to insure the safety and continued operational effectiveness of their department's fleet.

Commissioner Lopez asked what the year was Tower 1. Lieutenant Guerra responded 2006.

Commissioner Pecos asked Lieutenant Guerra if the department has money within their budget. Lieutenant Guerra responded no; their budget, when they started the fiscal year they were preparing, because they have an aging fleet and things like this could occur, they submitted a request for an additional \$12,000 that didn't get approved. Guerra stated that they currently have the money, but once the repairs are done, it will completely deplete that part of the budget. Within this budget, anything on the road such as tire repairs, oil changes, and inspections which is money that comes out of that budget. Guerra stated that they budget for \$22,000, which is what they received, but every year they deplete that amount, and that's not say if nothing out of the ordinary happens.

Commissioner Lopez asked where this money will be coming from. Mr. Garza responded that it will come from the restricted fund balance. Garza further commented that every year staff tries to adopt the budget with about \$300,000 in it to give the city some cushion in case things comes up.

Introduction item.

7. Consider awarding contracts for water playground features and equipment for a kiddie pool at Brookshire Park and a splash pad at Flores Park via HGAC to Rain Drop Products LLC, as per staff recommendation. (Capital Improvements Manager).

Mr. Santillan reported that this item authorizes the purchase of water playground features and equipment for Kiddie Pool at the Brookshire Pool Facility and a Splash Pad at Los Hermanos Flores Park. Staff reached out to several companies on the H-GAC Buy Cooperative Purchasing Program that would be interested in submitting proposals for the purchase of water playground features and equipment for both projects. Staff received two responsive proposals from Rain Drop Products, LLC and Vortex Aquatic Structures. Staff has reviewed each proposal and has selected Rain Drop Product's proposal as the top proposal. Their proposal include the purchase agreement of water playground equipment for a Kiddie Pool at the Brookshire Pool Facility and a Splash Pad at Los Hermanos Flores Park, which include equipment such as spray toys, water cannons, buckets, water jets, and other water playground features.

Mr. Santillan displayed a map of where the Kiddie Pool and Splash Pad will be located within both locations.

Commissioner Garcia asked if the toys shown on the map were going to be the ones installed. Mr. Santillan's response was yes, although, the city has a choice, but this is what staff chose.

Commissioner Lopez made a comment that she was hoping that staff would have relocated Kiddie Pool from the proposed location due to the Oak Tree being right next to the proposed location of the Kiddie Pool. Lopez further commented that staff is going to have to work very hard to keep this pool clean.

Mr. Garza commented that this tree drops leaves in the normal pool already.

Commissioner Lopez commented that this was true, but right next to it, she was hoping that staff would consider moving the location of the Kiddie Pool. She stated that even Mayor Fugate agreed with this as well.

Mr. Garza stated that he believes that there was a comment about placing it on the opposite corner, but this created a challenge with where the gate is located and water lines and is also closer to the deep end of the pool. Garza further stated that staff wants to make it, from a safety issue put the Kiddie Pool not near the deepest end of the pool.

Commissioner Lopez commented that as for maintenance issues, she is aware of it as she has a tree next door to her home.

Mr. Santillan commented that staff will look into some solutions for this.

Mr. Garza commented that deem for safety issues, it was best to place it on the side that it is being proposed. Garza also commented that staff is planning on adding shade structures, which is currently not there. There were two old shade structures that were removed from the pool in order to accommodate the news ones that were placed. The bones for the two new shade structures can be salvaged, so what staff will more than likely be doing is looking at getting new red metal roofs on the two shade structures that were removed and placing them back somewhere in the site. The shade structure is something staff would like to have ready, in time for when the pool opens up this year.

Commissioner Garcia asked where the lifeguards will be situated.

Mr. Santillan commented that currently they are situated at the deep end and on both sides of the pool.

Mr. Garza responded that lifeguards will be situated, specifically for the Kiddie Pool as well.

Mr. Santillan stated that last year, the Commission adopted the Parks Master Plan that was developed by Halff Associates, it included some conceptual designs for several of the parks located in the city. One of those designs was Los Hermanos Flores Park. In this specific design, there is a proposed splashpad. The thought behind this, was that it is in close proximity to the creek which identified this park as the best park to have a splashpad. The proposed splashpad will be located towards the southwest corner of the property. Santillan stated that there are utilities at this site already as well as water and wastewater due to the restroom facilities.

Mr. Garza stated that on location, similar to the skatepark, this is an existing park with an existing parking lot and restrooms, which make it easier to add these amenities at parks that already have these features as oppose to starting from scratch at a different location. Mr. Garza asked for the area of the splashpad.

Mr. Santillan responded that the area for the splashpad will have a total wet area of about 1,000sqft. With the side path it is about 2,000sqft. The financial impact will be \$37,340 for the equipment for the Brookshire Pool Kiddie Pool and \$51,600 for the equipment for the Splash Pad at Los Hermanos Flores Park. This would expend a total of \$88,400. A total of \$300,000 in funding is available through several accounts.

Commissioner Garcia asked what is the appropriate age for the toys that are being installed.

Mr. Garza responded that this is something that will need to be discussed as staff will need to post rules at these facilities. From an operation stand point, this is something that staff will need to discuss such at what age and height cutoff so that it can be posted on the rules sign.

Motion made by Commissioner Pecos to approve this item as per staff's recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Garcia.

Commissioner Garcia asked for the completion date for these projects.

Mr. Santillan responded staff's priority project will be the Kiddie Pool at the Brookshire Park which will open in mid-March, so staff is working on a completion date of mid-March or the beginning of April, weather permitting and availability of the contractor.

The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Garcia, Pecos, Lopez voting "FOR".

8. Consider awarding proposal for construction of kiddie pool at Brookshire Park and splash pad at Flores Park via HGAC to Keith Zars Pools, Ltd. a registered vendor of Rain Drop Products LLC, as per staff recommendation. (Capital Improvements Manager).

Mr. Santillan stated that this item authorizes the construction of a Kiddie Pool and a Splash Pad as well as the water features and playground equipment. This company is a registered vendor through Rain Drop Products so they are able to offer the construction turnkey of these projects. The Kiddie Pool will be a wading-pool of 0 to 18" in depth at approximately 1,200 square-feet in area and the splashpad being 2,000 square-feet with a 1,000 square-feet in wet area. Both facilities will have their standalone pumping system. The financial impact for the splashpad at Los Hermanos Flores Park will be \$65,033 for the construction and installation of water playground equipment and the financial impact for the kiddie pool is \$146,300 for the construction and installation of water playground equipment, for a total amount of \$211,333.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Garcia to approve this award, seconded by Commissioner Pecos. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Pecos, Garcia, Lopez voting "FOR".

9. Consider out-of-state travel for Commission and staff to attend the National League of Cities Conference from March 11-14, 2018 in Washington, D.C. (Commissioner Pecos).

Motion made by Commissioner Garcia to approve this out-of-state travel, seconded by Commissioner Pecos. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Pecos, Garcia, Lopez voting "FOR".


10. Executive Session: Pursuant to Section 551.087, Texas Government Code, Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations Exception, the City Commission shall convene in executive session to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations. (City Manager).

Mayor Pro-tem Lopez announced the Executive Session and convened the meeting into closed session at 6:58 P.M.

Mayor Pro-tem Lopez reconvened the meeting into open session at 7:20 P.M.

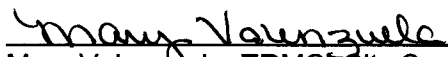
VI. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.



Sam R. Fugate, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mary Valenzuela, TRMC, City Secretary