

March 28, 2022

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE CITY COMMISSION WAS HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022, IN THE HELEN KLEBERG GROVES COMMUNITY ROOM, 400 WEST KING AVENUE, KINGSVILLE, TEXAS AT 5:00 P.M.

CITY COMMISSION PRESENT:

Hector Hinojosa, Commissioner
Sam R. Fugate, Mayor
Norma N. Alvarez, Commissioner
Edna Lopez, Commissioner

CITY COMMISSION ABSENT:

Ann Marie Torres, Commissioner

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Mark McLaughlin, City Manager
Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
Kyle Benson, IT Manager
Derek Williams, IT
Ricardo Torres, Police Chief
Emilio Garcia, Health Director
Diana Gonzales, Director of Human Resources
Bill Donnell, Public Works Director
Joseph Ramirez, Engineers Assistance
Janine Reyes, Tourism Director
Charlie Sosa, Purchasing Manager
Manny Salazar, Economic Development Director
Susan Ivy, Parks & Recreation Manager
Deborah Balli, Finance Director
Mike Mora, Capital Improvements Manager
Uchechukwu Echeozo, Director of Planning & Development Services
Kobby Agyekum, Senior Planner/HPO
Nicholas Daniels, Building Official

I. Preliminary Proceedings.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Fugate opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. with four Commission members present. Commissioner Torres was absent.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – (Mayor Fugate)

The invocation was delivered by Mrs. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Regular Meeting – March 10, 2022

Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the minutes of March 10, 2022. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Alvarez. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Alvarez, Lopez, Fugate voting "FOR". Hinojosa "ABSTAINED".

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

1. Public hearing regarding for condemnation proceeding for structures located at 326 E. Lee, Kingsville, Texas. (Building Official/Director of Planning & Development Services).

Mayor Fugate read and opened this public hearing at 5:02 P.M.

Mayor Fugate announced that this is a public hearing and if anyone would like to speak on behalf of this item may do so now with a five-minute time limit. Additional time cannot be extended by City Commission.

Mr. Nicholas Daniels, Building Official stated that the property has had no water services since 2001 and no electrical service since 2005. The structure is an attractive nuisance to children and harbors vagrants, criminal and immoral people. A reinspection shows that the overall condition remains in a severe and hazardous state of disrepair.

Ms. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney stated that the structure's roof has holes in it and the sidewalls to the structure are missing.

There being no further comments Mayor Fugate closed this public hearing at 5:05 P.M.

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, Condemnation Update, Proposed Development Report; Accounting & Finance – Financial & Investment Information, Investment Report, Quarterly Budget Report, Monthly Financial Reports, Utilities Billing Update; Police & Fire Department – Grant Update, Police & Fire Reports; Streets Update; Public Works; Landfill Update, Building Maintenance, Construction Updates; Park Services - grant(s) update, miscellaneous park projects, Emergency Management, Administration –Workshop Schedule, Interlocal Agreements, Public Information, Health Department, Hotel Occupancy Report, Quiet Zone, SEP, Legislative Update, Proclamations, Employee Recognition, 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, Library Summer Programs, Grants Update. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time."

Mr. Mark McLaughlin, City Manager reported that the city held Trash-Off Day this past weekend which was a successful event. The collection of debris was more than the collection of brush. He further thanked all volunteers and city staff for their assistance. Mr. McLaughlin further reported that city staff is in the process of cleaning Tranquitas Creek. Wings Over South Texas will take place April 2-3, 2022. Meet the Blues event will take place on Friday, April 1, 2022. Mr. McLaughlin further announced that he will be out of the office from Wednesday, March 30th through Friday, April 1, 2022, as he will be attending a ICSC Red River Conference in Dallas.

Ms. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney reported that the next scheduled City Commission meeting is Monday, April 11, 2022. The deadline for staff to submit their agenda items for this meeting is Thursday, March 31, 2022.

Commissioner Hinojosa thanked the staff for their thoughts and prayers during his recovery. He further thanked his wife for always being there for him.

Commissioner Alvarez reported that she had attended a Council of Government (COG) meeting on Friday, March 25, 2022, where she learned that the General Land Office (GLO) has awarded seven counties in Coastal Bend and thirty-three cities \$179 million. She further stated that this is from the impact of Hurricane Harvey which was back in 2017. She further reported that funds will be distributed amongst the counties and cities with the City of Kingsville receiving \$2.5 million of those funds with no match from the city. Funds were distributed based on data which includes population, flood zone, low to moderate-income, and whether a community has been declared a disaster in the past. Commissioner Alvarez further stated that there are ten activities that are eligible such as drainage, repair of waterlines, public facilities, and a lot of other ways that funds can be used. Alvarez further reported that funds will not be distributed until the end of this year. She further stated that an application will need to be filled out by the city where the city will be listing projects that the funds that will be used. Commissioner Alvarez stated that the representative she was speaking with is willing to make a presentation to the Commission on how these funds are to be spent. Commissioner Alvarez continued by giving an update on her trip to the National League of Cities (NLC) which took place in Washington, DC. Alvarez reported that President Biden addressed the NLC attendees in person which was a great privilege. She stated that she and Commissioner Torres attended the conference sessions and met with Senators and State Representatives for the State of Texas. Commissioner Alvarez stated that she and Commissioner Torres learned that the Veteran's Affairs Office has a mobile Traveling Clinic that they wish to bring to Kingsville once a week. A presentation on the Veteran's Traveling Clinic will be made to the City Commission at a future meeting. She further stated that there are funds for affordable housing and railroad crossings that may benefit our community. Commissioner Alvarez also stated that she and Commissioner Torres were able to tour the Pentagon during their visit to Washington, DC.

Mayor Fugate thanked staff for cleaning the thoroughfares in the city in preparation for Wings Over South Texas taking place this upcoming weekend.

Mayor Fugate at this time presented a proclamation to representatives for the Purple Door for Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month for April 2022.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items.³

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

Ms. Irene Bowie, 511 E. Warren commented that she is here to make a simple request. She stated that she would like to commend the work that is being done on the curb and gutter project. She further commented that gutters are being put in on her block which has blocked her entrance to her driveway. It is not a concrete pavement; it is a caliche road/street in front of her house, and it was a driveway that had a slope down to the street. They built the gutter and now she is unable to drive in and out of her driveway. Ms. Bowie commented that she would like to request for the city to restore the entrance to her driveway from the street.

Terry Fitzwater, 5151 Hwy 77 South reported that tomorrow is the official end of the Vietnam War. He further commented that Commissioner Jerry Martinez has a ceremony scheduled at 11:00 a.m. in Riviera for all Vietnam Veterans which will take place at the Sea Winds Park. A representative from the Congressman's office will be presenting pins for all Vietnam Veterans with the County providing lunch.

Mr. Lance Hamm, 912 S. Creek commented that he has provided a handout to the City Commission which consist of the four resolutions that have been approved throughout the community showing community input for a 45mph maximum speed limit on the US Hwy 77 service roads for both south and northbound during and after construction. Mr. Hamm further commented that new resolutions approved are from Ricardo ISD and Kingsville Independent School District. He further stated that one of the handouts that have been provided to the City Commission is a handout that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) used as their need statement as to why they want to spend \$28 billion on overpasses. He stated that it is really to separate the grade between through traffic and local traffic, which is a great deal as this is what he wants to do. Mr. Hamm further commented that the question is what is going to be done for the next two years while we still have at-grade intersections. Hamm further stated that there will be seven at-grade intersections in the City of Kingsville that we have to worry about for the next two years during construction. He further stated that the handouts that were given to the Commission contain the last three pages of his email that were dated January 8, 2022, which start with item 4, why lower the regulatory speed limit. He further stated that he would like to refresh the Commissioners on the seven items and as the Commission listens to TxDOT tonight he hopes that the Commissioners, as well as himself, will try to relate these seven items as to how is that going to save a life or reduce the severity of a crash, during the next crash on US Hwy 77. He further commented on how each of these seven items will play an effect on each of the at-grade intersections that are out there. Mr. Hamm commented that he hopes that we can reduce the severity of crashes and reduce the death out on the highway. As learned in the past two years of COVID, it is not how much traffic is out there, it's all about the speed and the speed of the crashes that are happening on Texas highways.

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

1. Motion to approve final passage of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget to accept and expend the donations received from Kingsville Parks Youth Pony League team sponsors for the purchase of equipment, uniforms, and other league expenses. (Parks Director).

2. Motion to approve final passage of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget to accept and expend grant funding for the OPSG 2022 Grant #3194307. (Operation Stonegarden). (Police Chief).
3. Motion to approve final passage of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget to accept and expend grant funding for the LEOSE Grant for training. (Police Chief).
4. Motion to approve a resolution of the City of Kingsville authorizing the release of Chapter 59 funds of the Kingsville Police Department for donation to the Boy Scouts of America Venado District for drug and alcohol prevention programs. (Police Chief).
5. Motion to approve a resolution of the City of Kingsville authorizing the release of Chapter 59 funds of the Kingsville Police Department for donation to the Boys & Girls Club of Kingsville for drug and alcohol prevention programs. (Police Chief).
6. Motion to approve a resolution authorizing the City of Kingsville to continue participation in the Texas Main Street Program, authorizing the Mayor to execute the Texas Main Street Program Locally Designated Program 2022 Contract, and designating Alicia Tijerina as the Main Street Program Manager for the City of Kingsville to coordinate program activities. (Downtown Manager).

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES:

VI. Items for consideration by Commissioners.⁴

7. Discussion on process for setting speed limit on US77 By-Pass. (City Manager).

Mr. McLaughlin stated that representatives from the Texas Department of Transportation are in attendance for this discussion.

Mr. Lucio Ramos, Alice Area Engineer, 1071 S. U.S. 281 in Alice, TX introduced other representatives that will be assisting with this discussion, Ms. America Garza, Traffic Engineer, Mr. Juan Marfil Director of Operations, and Mr. Ricky Daley, PIO.

Ms. America Garza, TxDOT Traffic Engineer from the Corpus Christi office stated that setting speed limits is something that is taken care of in her office. Her office receives traveling requests from the public. There are established procedures that need to be followed as per the procedures for establishing speed limits to maintain highways. The process goes as followed, if they receive a public concern on their stretch of roadway, they gather their team, traffic engineers, and design tech who go out to the area to look at the roadway and determine where stage their equipment which in this case their radars and gather the data and information to determine what the traveling public is doing. Ms. Garza commented that she wants to make sure that when we are thinking about speed limits, TxDOT does not set them, but the traveling public sets the speed limits. She further stated that what she means by this is that when they gather the information from their data what they are looking at is what is most that the traveling public is doing. The 85% is the percentage that they look at is what is the most that the traveling public is doing, which is quoted in the procedures for establishing speed limits. Based on the 85% is what most motorists are doing and is the safe and prudent speed on the highway facility. Ms. Garza stated that it doesn't stop there, if most of the public is going 70 to 75 mph on a narrow roadway, they don't accept it as most of the traveling public going 75 mph and other factors are taken into account for speed reduction. She further stated that by their manual and policy and procedures they can reduce up to 10 mph below the 85% rate. They look at factors such as geometry, look at length widths, shoulders, wide shoulders or unapproved shoulders, rural driveway densities. Are there a lot of driveways along the segment that can interrupt the flow? They also look at crash rates or crashes, what is happening in these segments. These are factors that are driven to help engineer the best-posted speed limit that the motorist is doing on the roadways to get to their destination safely. Once all that is determined and factors are taken into account, they then get the information and develop a document, which they call a strip map, everything is presented to their traffic division in Austin, TX for their review and submittal. Ms. Garza stated that for anything that is outside of the city limits, their transportation commissioners go through a minute order through their transportation commission. If it's within the city limits, what they will do is get it reviewed by their Traffic Division in Austin and then work with the city, present it to the city and talk about the speed limit proposal. Once it's agreed upon, then return it over to the city for the City Commission to accept a minute order for the establishment and make it legal and therefore install the proper signage. Ms. Garza stated that the key is looking at what the traveling public is doing, want to make sure that the safest speed is being

put into place and accommodate the traveling public on our stretch of roadways as well as taking those geometric factors and other factors into consideration if a reduction of speed is needed.

Mr. McLaughlin asked if the traveling public has not been on this road yet, the southbound access road, what happens now, since there is no established public 85% yet?

Ms. Garza responded that newly constructed roadways, which is in their procedures for establishing speed limits, what TxDOT does is trial runs. The trial runs are when they get into a vehicle and drive up and down the corridor, which in this case is a one-way segment of roadway, they travel at different speed limits and look at those features of geometry of the roadway. Are there any curves, is it a straightaway, are there a lot of driveways or any major traffic generators along the route? Once they get trial runs, they have a form that they fill out and place all the documentation in it and come up with a proposed interim speed limit. She stated that when she says interim speed limit as if it is during construction a project may take many years to be completed, but they still want to post the safest speed limit for the traveling public. It will be an interim speed limit which will go through the same process as far as making it lawful through a minute order if it's outside the city limits, or through a city ordinance if it's within the city limits.

Commissioner Alvarez asked if TxDOT has started the study?

Ms. Garza responded no, as they have to get a drivable surface first. Once the frontage road is completed and striped then they will begin their travel runs.

Mayor Fugate asked how long this will take?

Ms. Garza responded that it doesn't take very long, maybe half a day. They would get into a vehicle with a couple of people and drive the corridor, note down their information just to get the data, then go back to the office so that they may analyze the data. Ms. Garza further stated that it should not take more than one day to gather the data.

Commissioner Alvarez further asked that once the data is gathered, how long will it take for the city to get the results?

Ms. Garza responded that after the data is gathered, they have to submit all the information. She further stated that it is a challenging process in the sense that they have to submit a map. A map to Traffic Division shows that there is new construction, a new roadway facility, and the result of the trial runs. She further stated that when it is an urgent matter, such as this case, they have already been working with their traffic division regarding this project, so they are aware of how important this project is and how important it is to this community. She further stated that they will be looking at their information and hopefully get a quick turnaround. She stated that once they receive their information and call it good, it will be a matter of a phone call to the City of Kingsville, provide the city with the information and have it placed on the agenda for approval of an ordinance for an interim speed limit. Ms. Garza further stated that once the project is fully completed, they will wait about six months to allow the traffic to normalize, and what she means by this is now that there is a new overpass with frontage and allow the traffic to get used to the new facility and application of their roadway, then they will come back and recheck and make it an official permanent speed limit for the frontage road.

Commissioner Hinojosa asked that at this stage of the game we are not taking into consideration any of the safety issues that we have out there, as far as speed limits are concerned? He further commented that his concern is the individuals that reside in that subdivision and all the accidents that have occurred in this area.

Ms. Garza stated that TxDOT works closely with the community and all the resolutions that have been provided by Mr. Lance Hamm will be taken into consideration. This is good for TxDOT to have so that they can express that to their Traffic Division when it comes to their proposals. All this is taken into consideration as well as copies and emails of information. She further stated that with the RV Park, school routes, and South Creek Subdivision being within the area, all those factors are considered in the decision-making.

Commissioner Lopez asked if TxDOT received a copy of the petition from the residents of South Creek Subdivision? Ms. Garza responded yes. Commissioner Lopez further commented that she agrees with Commissioner Hinojosa and stated that her main concern is the residents of this subdivision as well as the RV Park.

Mr. Juan Marfil, Director of Operations commented that all this documentation that they have is part of the package that was submitted to their Traffic Division for review and to analyze what they have done. They will also receive the analysis that they have done as well. The Traffic Division will receive all the documentation received from the city.

Commissioner Hinojosa asked if there is a disagreement on the speed limit, say the city wants 45 mph and TxDOT says it is to be 55 mph, is there any further appeals that the city can do to lower the speed or is what TxDOT says the final word?

Ms. Garza responded that everything stems from an engineering study or traffic investigation which is also for the cities, local governments. If something like this would occur, which TxDOT hopes doesn't happen as they want to work together with the community and cities to come up with a safe and prudent speed. Ms. Garza further stated that to answer Commissioner Hinojosa's question, the City of Kingsville would have to provide a study just like TxDOT's, which is what they do, and follow the procedures for establishing speed limits in their manual. Also, provide documentation and justification for the proposed speed limit. She further stated that TxDOT would have to do it themselves for their roadways and County Commissioners.

Commissioner Hinojosa commented that some policies and procedures need to be followed.

Mayor Fugate commented and asked that just so he understands correctly, as some people would have liked this to be done months ago, nobody is driving on this road yet and what is being said tonight is that once the roadway is up and running TxDOT can do this in a day?

Ms. Garza responded that TxDOT is being strategic and working closely with the area office. They have some set dates where their Transportation Commissioners meet and because some of this segment is outside the city limits, part of this segment will be passed by their Commission. She further stated that just the study will take about a day and have been working closely with Mr. Lucio Ramos's team and the contractor. She further stated that it is her understanding, if everything plays out as is they hope, they hope to have everything ready to go which she has her team working on the map that is supposed to be presented to Traffic Division already preset, so all they have to do is gather their data from their trial runs, put it in the map and send off to Traffic Division. She further commented that Traffic Division already knows how important this is to the community and so it will go in as an urgent matter so that they can quickly look at it and then turn it around to the city to approve the interim speed limit.

Mayor Fugate commented that this matter is time-sensitive.

Mr. Ramos commented that the last scheduled update that they have received is to do this sometime at the end of this month in order to have a recommendation for the city on the first of April with the anticipation of moving traffic onto the frontage road on the first or second week of April. Since then, the schedule has changed with all the fluctuations and oil prices. Now, they are not anticipating doing their trial run until the last week in May. Hopefully, they will have the surface coursed ready so that they can do their trial runs, which will probably happen sometime in mid-April. They are not anticipating in frontage road to be ready to move traffic onto the road until the first or second week in May. He further stated that it has been delayed for about a month now.

8. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the City of Kingsville Code of Ordinances Chapter VII, Article 5, Traffic Schedules, setting the speed limit on certain areas of US Highway 77 By-Pass Service/Frontage Road during construction: providing for appropriate penalties, fines, and fees regarding the regulation thereof. (City Manager).

Mayor Fugate asked if this is something that should be passed now and further asked for Ms. Alvarez's suggestion.

Ms. Alvarez responded no. She further stated that there is no traffic study, and the commission shouldn't set a speed limit without a traffic study. The process that TxDOT just described is the process they use statewide in every community and every sort of circumstance. She further stated that it is TxDOT's road and TxDOT's responsibility and the city does not need to assume liability for something when the city has absolutely no basis of fact for setting that limit.

Commissioner Alvarez commented that the way the agenda item is written does not state a speed limit. She further asked if this was correct?

Mayor Fugate commented that we don't know as we will have to wait until the study is completed.

Introduction item.

9. Consider condemnation of unsafe structures located at 326 E. Lee, Kingsville, Texas. (Building Official/Director of Planning & Development Services).

Motion made by Commissioner Alvarez stating motion finding not able to repair, building or structure is unsafe and present condition is a violation of ordinances and cannot be corrected without substantial reconstruction, then declare the building or structure to be a public nuisance and order its demolition by owner/agent/person in charge within 30 days, the city shall abate in any manner it deems necessary and proper, seconded by Commissioner Lopez. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Lopez, Hinojosa, Alvarez, Fugate voting "FOR".

10. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget to expend funds for demolitions of unsafe structure by Code Enforcement. (Building Official).

Mr. McLaughlin stated that the Building Official has three lists which consist of owner agreements, condemnation lists, and the third one is where the city begins the condemnation then the property owner contacts the city to negotiate the price for the condemnation. With these lists, there are about sixty total properties. He further stated that what he has asked for the Building Official to do is what is going to get done this fiscal year as the process for condemnation is very lengthy with all the legal requirements that need to be followed. Mr. McLaughlin stated that the Building Official has come up with a list that will require an additional \$38,000 to make this happen before the end of this fiscal year, which includes \$20,000 for the demolition of the church.

Mayor Fugate commented that back in the years when Mr. Carlos Yerena was City Manager, the city had the Texas National Guard come in and do these condemnations at no cost to the city, other than paying tipping fees. He further asked for staff to look into this and see if this program can return to the community.

Introduction item.

11. Consider a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the Permission and Indemnity Agreement with the King Ranch, Inc. for the 17th Annual Ride on the Wild Side Charity Bike Event (to be held on April 30, 2022). (City Attorney).

Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the Permission and Indemnity Agreement with the King Ranch, Inc. for the 17th Annual Ride on the Wild Side Charity Bike Event (to be held on April 30, 2022), seconded by Commissioner Hinojosa. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Hinojosa, Alvarez, Lopez, Fugate voting "FOR".

12. Consider accepting monetary donations for Kingsville Parks Youth Pony League. (Parks Director).

Mrs. Susan Ivy, Parks Director stated that this is a request for the acceptance of a donation from Kingsville Parks Youth Pony League Team Sponsors. She further stated that there is a correction that needs to be made on the agenda request. She stated that in her memo it should read total in the amount received and the additional \$1,100 received should read \$1,300 and not \$1,100.

Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to accept monetary donations for Kingsville Parks Youth Pony League, seconded by Commissioner Alvarez. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Alvarez, Lopez, Hinojosa, Fugate voting "FOR".

13. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget to accept and expend donations received from Kingsville Parks Youth Pony League team sponsors for the purchase of supplies (for league). (Parks Director).

Introduction item.

14. Consider approval of a new City logo. (Tourism Director).

Ms. Janine Reyes, Tourism Director stated that in May of 2021 approved to go into an agreement with ESD and Associates to create a new City of Kingsville logo. After going through several renditions, staff is presenting two renditions for Commission to decide which logo to approve. The inclusion of the Running W has been added to this rendition, which was not included in the previous renditions. Ms. Reyes stated that the King Ranch has stated that there is no opposition on the City of Kingsville to include the Running W on its logo. She further stated that currently, staff is waiting for the King Ranch final approval for placement of their Running W. She further stated that this would be contingent upon their final approval.

Mr. McLaughlin stated that he and Ms. Reyes decided for these two logo renditions to be brought to the Commission for a final decision. He further stated that Ms. Reyes prefers the logo without the train on it and he prefers the logo with the train as it makes a circle with the railroad tracks, as if it is placed on a shirt, it will make it nice and clean.

Discussion took place with City Commission on which logo to choose. The final decision was to choose the logo with no train displayed and only have the tracks located at the bottom of the logo.

Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the logo with no train displayed on it, seconded by Commissioner Hinojosa. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Lopez, Hinojosa, Alvarez, Fugate voting "FOR".

NOTE: A copy of the final logo, contingent upon the final approval from the King Ranch regarding placement of their Running W, is attached at the end of this set of minutes, as "Exhibit A".

15. Consider a resolution of the City of Kingsville, Texas authorizing the Mayor to execute a Professional (Engineering) Services Agreement with International Consulting Engineers for the Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Program administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for drainage system improvements. (Location #8-Paulson Falls Subdivision; RFQ #22-10 awarded 2/14/22; to be paid for if get TWDB funding). (City Engineer).

Motion made by Commissioner Hinojosa to approve the resolution of the City of Kingsville, Texas authorizing the Mayor to execute a Professional (Engineering) Services Agreement with International Consulting Engineers for the Flood Infrastructure Fund Grant Program administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for drainage system improvements. (Location #8-Paulson Falls Subdivision; RFQ #22-10 awarded 2/14/22; to be paid for if get TWDB funding), seconded by Commissioner Alvarez. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Hinojosa, Alvarez, Lopez, Fugate voting "FOR".

16. Consider authorizing emergency repairs to North Wastewater Treatment Plant. (Public Works Director).

Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to authorize emergency repairs to North Wastewater Treatment Plant, seconded by Commissioner Alvarez. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Alvarez, Lopez, Hinojosa, Fugate voting "FOR".

17. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget to appropriate funding for emergency sewer line repairs to an 18" gravity line at the North Wastewater Treatment Plant. (ARP funds). (Public Works Director).

Introduction item.

18. Consider awarding proposal and authorizing contract for repairs to Police Department building roof system to Duro-Last Roofing, Inc. via TIPS purchasing cooperative, as per staff recommendation. (Purchasing Manager).

Mr. Charlie Sosa, Purchasing Manager stated that this item authorizes the city to enter into a contract with Duro-Last, Inc., from Carrollton, TX for the replacement of the roof system at the Kingsville Police Department. The existing roof system at the Police Department is weathered and can no longer be maintained and is approximately 22 years old. It is staff's recommendation to enter into this contract with funds being paid out of ARP Funds for an amount of \$77,214.19.

Motion made by Commissioner Alvarez and Commissioner Lopez to approve the award proposal and authorizing contract for repairs to Police Department building roof system to Duro-Last Roofing, Inc. via TIPS purchasing cooperative, as per staff recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Hinojosa. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Lopez, Hinojosa, Alvarez, Fugate voting "FOR".

19. Consider introduction of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget to expend funds for the roof system replacement at the Police Department building. (ARP Funds). (Purchasing Manager).

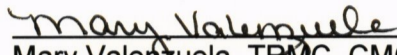
Introduction item.

VI. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 P.M.


Sam R. Fugate, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary Valenzuela, TRMC, CMC, City Secretary