

DECEMBER 5, 2024

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF KINGSVILLE CITY COMMISSION WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024, IN THE HELEN KLEBERG GROVES COMMUNITY ROOM, 400 WEST KING AVENUE, KINGSVILLE, TEXAS AT 12:00 P.M.

CITY COMMISSION PRESENT:

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

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary
Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney
Kyle Benson, IT Director
Emilio Garcia, Health Director
Rudy Mora, City Engineer
Erik Spitzer, Director of Economic & Development Services
Juan J. Adame, Fire Chief
Diana Gonzalez, Human Resources Director
Janine Reyes, Tourism Director
Alicia Tijerina, Special Events Coordinator
Susan Ivy, Park Director
Bill Donnell, Public Works Director
Deborah Balli, Finance Director
James Creek, Fire Department
Leticia Salinas, Accounting Manager
Nick Chapa, IT
Charlie Sosa, Purchasing Manager
John Blair, Police Chief
Mike Mora, Capital Improvements Manager
Steve Palacios, Fire Marshall
Kwabena Agyekum, Senior Planner

I. Preliminary Proceedings.

OPEN MEETING

Mayor Fugate opened the meeting at 12:00 p.m. with all five commission members present.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – (Mayor Fugate)

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

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

None.

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 Services - Information, Investment Report, Quarterly Budget Report, 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, Water And Wastewater Rate Study Presentation. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time."

Ms. Courtney Alvarez, City Attorney reported that the next city commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2024.

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items.³

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

No public comments were made.

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)

None.

REGULAR AGENDA

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES:

VI. Items for consideration by Commissioners.⁴

1. Executive Session: Pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, the Personnel Exception, the City Commission shall convene in Executive Session to deliberate the appointment, employment, and duties of the City Manager. (Mayor Fugate).

Mayor Fugate announced the executive session and convened the meeting into a closed session at 12:03 p.m.

Ms. Alvarez, City Attorney came out of executive session at 12:18 p.m.

The City Commission came out of the executive session at 12:32 p.m. Mayor Fugate reconvened the meeting into open session at 12:32 p.m.

2. Consideration and approval of the appointment of an Interim City Manager, compensation, and matters related thereto. (Commissioner Alvarez).

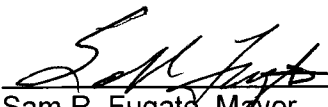
Motion made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the appointment of an Interim City Manager Mr. Charlie Sosa, compensation and matters related thereto and set the salary up to \$85,000.00 and car allowance, seconded by Commissioner Alvarez, Commissioner Hinojosa, and Commissioner Alarcon. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Lopez, Alvarez, Hinojosa, Alarcon, Fugate voting "FOR".

3. Consideration and approval process for hiring a new City Manager. (Commissioner Alvarez).

Motion made by Commissioner Alvarez to consider and approve process for hiring a search agency for hiring a new City Manager, seconded by Commissioner Alarcon. The motion was passed and approved by the following vote: Alvarez, Hinojosa, Alarcon, Lopez, Fugate voting "FOR".

VI. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.


Sam R. Fugate, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary Valenzuela, City Secretary