



**A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016**

On this 2nd day of August, 2016 at 5:34 p.m., the City Commission of the City of Weslaco, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting at City Hall in the Legislative Chamber, located at 255 South Kansas Avenue with the following members present:

Mayor	David Suarez
Mayor Pro-Tem	Olga Noriega
Commissioner	Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla
Commissioner	Letty Lopez
Commissioner	Leo Muñoz
Commissioner	Greg Kerr
Commissioner	Fidel Peña III
City Manager	Mike R. Perez
City Secretary	Elizabeth M. Walker
City Attorney	Juan E. Gonzalez

Also present: Mary Barrera, Finance Director; Veronica Ramirez, Human Resources Director; Jose Peña, IT Director; Pete Garcia, Public Works Director; Chief Tony Lopez, Fire Department; Assistant Chief Ted Walensky, Police Department; Israel Gaona, Planning and Code Enforcement Department; Arnoldo Becho, Library Director; Andrew Muñoz, Airport Director; Rosa Huerta, Municipal Court Coordinator; and other staff members and citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Certification of Public Notice.

Mayor Suarez called the meeting to order and certified the public notice of the meeting as properly posted Friday, July 29, 2016.

B. Invocation.

Reverend Howard Bloomquist, Police Department Chaplain, led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Suarez led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag.

D. Mayoral recognition.

The Mayor recognized the Summer Reading Program award recipients.

E. Roll Call.

Elizabeth Walker, City Secretary, called the roll, noting perfect attendance.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments received.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

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discussed separately unless requested by one commission member, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon.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

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 19, 2016. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.) Attachment.

B. Approval on second and final reading of the following:

1) Ordinance 2016-25 rezoning 520 S. Illinois Ave., also being Lots 6-11, Block 43, Weslaco Original Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas, from R-1 One Family Dwelling District to R-2 Duplex and Apartments District. (First reading held July 19, 2016; Staffed by the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

2) Ordinance 2016-26, amending Ordinance 27-172, codified as Section 134-259 "Designation of Truck Routes:"

1. Westgate Drive from Frost Proof Drive to 18th Street
2. U.S. Business 83 from Midway Road to Mile 2 ½ West
3. Farm to Market Road 1015 within City limits
4. Farm to Market Road 88/Texas Blvd from 579.65 feet North of 18th Street to Mina Street
5. 18th Street from Westgate Drive to Mile 2 ¾ West Road
6. Airport Drive from 18th Street to Haggard Avenue
7. Border Avenue from Interstate 2 to U.S. Business 83
8. Panther Drive the West 900 Feet
9. Bridge Avenue from Interstate 2 to Ballard Street
10. Sugarcane Drive from Farm to Market Road 1015 to Joe Stephens Avenue
11. Vo-Tech Drive from Interstate 2 to Sugarcane Drive
12. Mid Valley Drive
13. Venture Drive
14. Industrial Drive
15. Corporate Drive
16. Sugarsweet Avenue
17. Ballard Street from Farm to Market Road 88/Texas Blvd to Dolores Huerta Avenue
18. Farm to Market Road 88/Texas Blvd from Interstate 2 to the North City limits
19. Annie Drive
20. Garza Avenue from U.S. Business 83 to 2nd Street

21. Calle De La Republica from Railroad Street to U.S. Business 83
22. Illinois Avenue from Interstate 2 to Pike Blvd
23. Pike Blvd from Farm to Market Road 1015 to North Airport Drive
24. Pike Blvd from Illinois Avenue to Border Avenue
25. Milanos Road from U.S. Business 83 to Interstate 2
26. Pike Blvd from Westgate Drive to Milanos Road
27. Interstate 2 within City limits
28. Pleasantview Drive from Interstate 2 to US Business 83
29. Calle De La Republica from Interstate 2 to Pike Blvd.

(First reading held July 19, 2016; Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)
Attachment.

C. Approval of the renewal of the annual Host Agency Agreement with AARP Senior Community Service Employment Program allowing the City of Weslaco to accept participants through a short-term work-training program and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents. (Staffed by Human Resources.)

D. Approval of an Election Order toward an election of Mayor, Commissioner District 5, and Commissioner District 6 during the General Election on November 8, 2016 pursuant to Texas Election Code Chapter 271 and authorize the Mayor and Commissioners to execute any related documents. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)

E. Authorization for the solicitation of sealed bids for the 2nd Street Sidewalks between Airport Drive and Illinois Avenue as part of the 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement.)

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Peña, moved to approve consent agenda items A, B1, B2, C, D and E as presented. The motion carried unanimously, Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the ordinance is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 320 AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WESLACO TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF 520 S. ILLINOIS AVE., ALSO BEING LOTS 6-11, BLK 43, WESLACO ORIGINAL SUBDIVISION, WESLACO, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM R-1 ONE FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO R-2 DUPLEX AND APARTMENTS DISTRICT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS:

SECTION I: R-1 Single Family Dwelling District to R-2 Duplex and Apartments District being Lots 6-11, Blk 43, Weslaco Original Subdivision, also being 520 S. Illinois Ave., Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

SECTION II: That this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission this 19th day of July, 2016.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission this 2nd day of

August, 2016.

ORDINANCE 2016-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1984-43, THE CITY OF WESLACO TRUCK ROUTES ORDINANCE; CODIFIED AS ARTICLE V OF THE WESLACO CODE OF ORDINANCES, ADOPTING NEW REGULATIONS; AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBJECT MATTER HEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO TEXAS THAT:

SECTION I.

Ordinance 1984-43 passed and approved on November 16, 1984 as "Truck Routes Ordinance" and Codified as Article V of the Weslaco Code of Ordinances is hereby amended.

SECTION II.

After second and final reading of this Ordinance the amended Truck Routes ordinance sections will be adopted and codified as Article V of the Weslaco Code of Ordinances and said Chapter shall read as follows:

ARTICLE V TRUCK ROUTES

SECTION 134-259 Designation of Routes

1. Westgate Drive from Frost Proof Drive to 18th Street
2. U.S. Business 83 from Midway Road to Mile 2 ½ West
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CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/Elizabeth M. Walker, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Suarez changed the order of the day and went to item IV. New Business item J.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

J. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2016-51 proposing an ad valorem tax rate and setting a date on which the Commission will adopt the 2016-2017 ad valorem tax rate. Roll Call Vote. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Mary Barrera stated the City Manager is the budget officer for the city and the proposed budget was calculated with the same tax rate of \$0.6767; any time the proposed rate exceeds the rollback or effective tax rate, public hearings would be needed. If public hearings are needed she proposes August 16th and 23rd at 5:30 p.m. Staff recommends approval. The Mayor clarified this action does not set the rate, merely accepts the proposed rate for budget discussions.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Peña, moved to approve Resolution 2016-51 as presented. By roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously; the Mayor was present and voting.

For the record following is the resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-51

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS
PROPOSING AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE; SETTING A DATE
ON WHICH THE COMMISSION WILL ADOPT THE 2016-2017
AD VALOREM TAX RATE AND SETTING DATES FOR PUBLIC
HEARINGS , IF NECESSARY.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO:

- 1) The maximum proposed ad valorem tax rate that the Commission will consider for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 is 67.67 cents per \$100 taxable value; and
- 2) If the calculation of the effective and rollback tax rates results in a rate that is lower than the proposed rate, the City Commission will consider the proposed rate at two public hearings as follows: First Public Hearing – August 16th, 2016; and Second Public Hearing – August 23rd, 2016; and
- 3) The City Commission will adopt the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 ad valorem tax rate at 5:30 p.m. on September 6, 2016, at the Weslaco City Commission Legislative Chambers, 255 S. Kansas Avenue, Weslaco, Texas.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS:

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 2nd day of August, 2016

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

ATTEST:
/s/Elizabeth M. Walker, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Suarez changed the order of the day and proceeded to item K under New Business IV.

K. Discussion and consideration to accept the calculation of effective and rollback tax rates for the 2016 tax year by Hidalgo County Tax-Assessor Collector Pablo "Paul" Villarreal. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Mr. Pablo "Paul" Villarreal, Tax Assessor-Collector, and Eva Mireles, Chief Deputy, reviewed the effective tax rate calculations. The current tax rate is \$0.6767. The appraised values increased from last year by \$137 million. Ms. Mireles stated the effective tax rate is \$0.6598 for the City and the rollback rate is \$0.8914. The effective tax rate will bring in the same revenue as last year as a result of higher appraisals. The City Manager recommended maintaining the same tax rate \$0.6767 as a benchmark.

Commissioner Muñoz, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to accept the calculation as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Mayor Suarez went to item A under New Business IV.

A. Discussion and consideration to extend the current health insurance policy with Allegian and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Human Resources.)

Veronica Ramirez, HR Director, went over the renewal rates stating there was an increase of 3.8%. Staff recommends renewing with Allegian.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz, moved to extend the current health insurance policy with Allegian as recommended. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration to authorize staff to solicit proposals from qualified insurance carriers for the following:

1. Worker's Compensation Insurance
2. Commercial Package (General Liability/Professional, Law Enforcement Liability, Errors & Omissions Liability, Auto Liability, Auto Physical Damage, Aviation, Real & Personal Property, Flood & Earthquake, Mobile Equipment, Ocean Marine, Crime, etc.)

and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Human Resources.)

Veronica Ramirez stated renewal rates for worker's compensation increased by 12% and renewal rates for liability and property increased by 13%. Staff recommends soliciting proposals at this time. In response to Commissioner Tafolla, advertisement will be August 10th and 17th; bid opening August 21st; award September 20th.

Commissioner Muñoz, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to authorize staff to solicit proposals from qualified insurance carriers for worker's compensation and commercial package as recommended. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

- C. Discussion and consideration to negotiate and enter into agreement with Roger Garza, Valley Risk Consulting, for Professional Consulting Services related to insurance coverages for the City and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Human Resources Department).

Veronica Ramirez recommended approval stating the consultant assists with preparations of the request for bid packet, prepares an evaluation and recommendation to staff.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to negotiate and enter into agreement with Roger Garza, Valley Risk Consulting, for Professional Consulting Services related to insurance coverages for the City as recommended. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

- D. Discussion and consideration to extend current basic life and AD&D policy with Dearborn National and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Human Resources.)

Veronica Ramirez recommended extending the current carrier, Dearborn National, stating current rates are guaranteed until October 1, 2017.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to extend current basic life and AD&D policy with Dearborn National as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

- E. Discussion and consideration to award the best qualified, most advantageous response to the Request for Proposals for the City of Weslaco Alton Landfill Post-Closure Care Monitoring (RFP No. 2015-16-13). Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.) Attachment.

Pete Garcia, Public Works Director, stated the landfill has been monitored for over twenty years.

Mike Perez, City Manager, stated the landfill is a 40 acre landfill site that is regulated for compliance by Texas Commission Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Staff recommends awarding to Raba Kistner, Inc. Staff will negotiate a contract and bring back to the commission for approval.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to award Raba Kistner, Inc. as the best qualified, most advantageous response to the Request for Proposals for the City of Weslaco Alton Landfill Post-Closure Care Monitoring (RFP No. 2015-16-13). The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Discussion and consideration to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Texas A&M University Extension Service for the striping of the cycling trail. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.).

Mike Perez stated the Mayor and he had met with Texas A&M for project assistance for the bike trail. The Memorandum of Understanding outlines the City's contribution to the project as labor and equipment; \$29,800.00 will be reimbursed by Texas A&M for the cost of materials, including paint and reflective beads for over four miles of trails. Staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding with Texas A&M University Extension Service for the striping of the cycling trail as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

G. Discussion and consideration to award Request For Bid 2015-16-14 for the 6th Street Striping from Westgate Drive to U.S. Business 83 to the best qualified, most advantageous bidder. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Israel Gaona, Engineer II, recommended awarding Pavement Markings for the 6th Street Striping from Westgate Drive to U.S. Business 83 as the lowest bidder and negotiating a change order for the signs that will reduce the project cost by approximately \$30,000.00.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to award Request for Bid 2015-16-14 to Pavement Markings for the 6th Street Striping from Westgate Drive to U.S. Business 83. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration to award the best qualified, most advantageous response to the Request for Proposals for the City of Weslaco radio equipment upgrade. Possible action. (Staffed by the Police Department)

Ted Walansky, Assistant Chief, stated two state contract pricing proposals were received and recommended award to local vendor Tri-County Communications. All departments will be able to communicate with each other as well as other outside agencies on this digital system; cost is \$813,000.00 for turnkey operating system with two year warranty. Mike Perez, City Manager, stated staff will be soliciting financing proposals for the best interest rate for a five to seven year lease purchase arrangement.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz, moved to award Tri-County Communications as the best qualified, most advantageous response for the City of Weslaco radio equipment as recommended. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

I. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of an IT backup solution using the State of Texas DIR contract in an amount not to exceed \$39,000 and authorize the

Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Information Technology Department.)

Jose Pena, IT Director, stated this purchase will allow automated backup for two data centers that will not impose on hourly employee's labor of uploading to the servers, providing a storage solution for preserving data. The quote includes 3 years maintenance.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz, moved to approve the purchase of an IT backup solution using the State of Texas DIR contract in an amount not to exceed \$39,000.00 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

V. REPORTS

A. Report by Finance Department - Quarterly Financial report. Possible action to accept and file.

Mary Barrera, Finance Director, reported on the general fund combined assets of \$11,812,069; total liabilities of \$11,812,069 with 96% property taxes collected; water and sewer fund total assets at \$99,820,128 million; total liabilities \$99,820,128; solid waste fund total assets at \$4,192,757 million; total liabilities of \$4,192,757 stating \$2 million loan advanced to Water/Sewer fund was included in fund equity; airport fund total assets at \$8,897,463; total liabilities \$8,897,463.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to accept and file the quarterly financial report as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Report by Finance Department - Quarterly Investment report. Possible action to accept and file.

Mary Barrera reported interest year to date at \$44,916.11 ahead of 3 month T-Bill Rate benchmark.

Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to accept and file as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Report by Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce.

Martha Noell, Chamber Director, reported they are close to launching a free mobile app; June had 426 visitors and July 385.

D. Report by Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco.

Marie McDermott; Interim EDC Director, reported a grant was received from the Economic Development Agency in the amount of \$1.4 million for UTRGV to be housed in our building. She also reported on meeting with retail prospects with a summary of leads list of 34 and introduced Steven Valdez, newly hired Economic Development Director.

E. Report by Planning and Code Enforcement.

Israel Gaona reported the Boys and Girls Club is completed with exterior sign in production; 69 parking stalls were installed with drainage improvement; the 6th Street project contractor was released with Public Works completing paving; concrete collars are pending by Public Works.

In response to Mayor Pro-Tem, in follow-up to the sidewalk ordinance denied last Commission meeting, residents at Los Ranchitos continue to need to apply for a variance to the sidewalk requirement. The Commission directed staff to waive the filing fee for Los Ranchitos and other property owners with existing adjacent bar ditches who apply for a sidewalk variance with the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Appeals; additionally, the City should reimburse any pending applications for this sidewalk variance. Such directive is memorialized as a Minute Order.

Joe Pedraza reported an increase in building construction valuation by \$15 million last quarter; also 13 homes will be presented next meeting for proposed demolition this year.

F. Report by Fire Department.

Tony Lopez, Fire Chief, reported the new fire truck was received for the Fire Station 3; received a grant for \$67,000.00 for new hospital shelter was received and another \$200,000 in grants were applied for from TCEQ for HAZMAT equipment that does not require any local matching funds. The EMS is assisting Knapp Medical with critical care patients needed transporting to another facility.

G. Report by Severn Trent.

Trinidad Cantu, Severn Trent, stated water demand consumption is averaging 6mgd for the summer months; they collected copper samples as required by EPA; they initiated a Pilot Study for an oxidation system for the NWWTP and reported on improvements for Lift Station 18.

H. Report by Public Works Department.

Pete Garcia, Public Works Director, reported on water and sewer breaks; paving of 6th street working on placing cement collars and will be scheduling paving of park trail.

I. Report by Parks and Recreation Department.

David Arce, Parks Director, reported ongoing small projects being done; such as La Placita Park getting new light poles; Harlon Park getting hitting stations, new benches, trash cans and BBQ pits; also an expression swing was installed at Isaac Rodriguez Park and 23 pool rentals.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m. Mayor David Suarez announced the regular meeting to convene in executive session. At 9:00 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem announced the City Commission had completed its executive session and reconvened the regular meeting as open to the public.

VII. POSSIBLE ACTION ON WHAT IS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro-Tem changed the order of the day to proceed immediately with item VII. G.

G. Pending Litigation - Consultation with Attorney to give a legal briefing regarding Civil Case No. 7:15-CV-334 Alvino Flores v. City of Weslaco, et al. in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas – McAllen Division as authorized by §551.071(1) of the Texas Government Code.

Mayor Pro-Tem moved to approve the payment amount as requested by counsel for Alvino Flores. Motion failed for lack of second.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to authorize payment as recommended in executive session by counsel representing the City regarding Civil Case No. 7:15-CV-334 Alvino Flores. The motion carried with Mayor Pro-Tem against; Mayor Suarez was absent (5-1).

A. Personnel - Discussion regarding the goals, objectives, and evaluation of the City Manager for the City of Weslaco as authorized by §551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

B. Pending Litigation - Consultation with City Attorney regarding City of Weslaco v. Briones Consulting and Engineering as authorized by §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

C. Real Property - Consultation with City Attorney on the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (North Texas; Intersection of Mile 11 and Texas Boulevard) as authorized by §551.072 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to proceed with negotiations as discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was absent.

D. Pending Litigation – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Cause No.C-1277-15-H Elvia Caballero Lopez d/b/a or a/k/a Caballero Governmental Affairs v. City of Weslaco, Texas in the 389th Judicial District Court of Hidalgo County pursuant to §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to proceed with the offer regarding Cause No.C-1277-15-H Elvia Caballero Lopez d/b/a or a/k/a Caballero Governmental Affairs as discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was absent.

E. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development opportunities and incentive programs related to industrial prospects, including Project Chicken Hatch "B", as well as retail and airport development as authorized by §551.087 of The Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Muñoz, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to authorize Mayor Pro-Tem to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with UTRGV as discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was absent.

F. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding a lease agreement for Economic Development Project Wild Boar "B" as authorized by §551.087 of The Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Texas A&M University as discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was absent.

H. Pending Litigation - Consultation with City Attorney regarding Docket No. CL-14-3345-G Juan Zuniga v. City of Weslaco as authorized by §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item; the City Attorney stated it was a report only.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the commission, at 9:05 p.m. on August 2, 2016, Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Tafolla, moved to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was absent.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY, Elizabeth Walker

MAYOR PRO-TEM, Olga Noriega

COMMISSIONER, Leo Muñoz

COMMISSIONER, Greg Kerr

COMMISSIONER, Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla

COMMISSIONER, Letty Lopez

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