



**NOTICE OF WORKSHOP
OF THE WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017**

On this 20th day of June at 5:00 p.m., the City Commission of the City of Weslaco, Texas convened in a Workshop at City Hall in the Legislative Chamber Room located at 255 S. Kansas Avenue with the following members present:

Mayor	David Suarez
Mayor Pro-Tem	Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla
Commissioner	Greg Kerr
Commissioner	Letty Lopez
Commissioner	Josh Pedraza
City Manager	Mike R. Perez
City Secretary	Elizabeth M. Walker

Also present: Jose Pena, IT Director; Mardoqueo Hinojosa, Planning and Code Enforcement Director; Mary Barrera, Finance Director; Veronica Ramirez, Human Resources Director; David Arce, Parks Director, Chief Tony Lopez, Fire; Andrew Muñoz, Airport Director; Arnold Becho, Library Director; and citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Certification of Public Notice.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and certified the public notice of the meeting as properly posted Friday, June 16, 2017.

B. Roll Call.

The City Secretary called the roll, noting the absence of Commissioners Noriega and Muñoz.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Interview of finalists for Architectural Engineering Design Services for a new Fire Station and Combined Police/Central Fire Station.

The City Manager stated the firms had drawn numbers to determine order of presentation; those firms not presenting would exit the room until called. Presentations would be limited to 15 minutes, including questions.

Edwards G, Vela, EGV, introduced his services and entire staff. He shared a presentational PowerPoint on projects his firm has accomplished ranging from \$1 million - \$30 million including a historical renovation; he shared recommendation letters from City of Hidalgo, Mission ISD and PSJA.

ROFA stated they currently are working on Weslaco's library roofing repairs; the firm has been established for 70 years offering 133 years' experience among partners, one of whom is a former peace officer and former city manager with knowledge of local processes.

Alvarado Architects has 25 years' experience in municipal projects; located in Donna; high standard of work ethic and quality assurance; transparency; update client weekly; offers 1 year warranty after completion; design within budget; projects include 10,000 foot police/fire project cost of \$1.8million in Progresso and clients include City of San Juan, San Benito and STC.

Commissioner Kerr inquired of each respective experience on police and fire station construction; Mayor Pro-Tem Tafolla inquired about any litigation with any other city. Each firm responded affirmatively with experience on public safety facilities and negatively to any litigation with municipalities.

III. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Commission, Mayor Pro-Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. on June 20, 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY, Elizabeth Walker