



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
MAY 18, 2021**

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, at 5:30 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 member's present:

PRESENT:	Mayor	David Suarez
	Mayor Pro Tem	Leo Muñoz
	Commissioner	Greg Kerr
	Commissioner	Adrian Farias
	Commissioner	Josh Pedraza
	Commissioner	Letty Lopez
	Commissioner	J.P. Rodriguez

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT:	Mike R. Perez	City Manager
	Andrew Muñoz	Asst. City Manager
	Norma A. Cantu	City Secretary
	Juan E. Gonzalez	City Attorney

Also present: Vidal Roman, Finance Director, Antonio "Tony" Lopez, Fire Chief, Juan Salas, IT Department, Omar Rodriguez, Parks & Recreation Director, Rebekah de la Fuente, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, Albert Aldana, City Engineer, Martin Vela, IT Director, David Arce, Deputy Public Works Director, George Quilantan, Inframark and Aida Vega, Deputy City Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Certification of Public Notice.

Mayor David Suarez called the meeting to order and certified the public notice of the meeting as properly posted Friday, May 14, 2021.

B. Invocation.

Pastor Timothy Aguiar, Open Door Baptist Church led in the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Suarez led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag.

D. Mayoral Recognition.

None.

E. Roll Call.

Norma A. Cantu, City Secretary, called the roll noting at the time of roll call the absence of Commissioner Farias and a quorum present.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to open the public hearing at 5:37 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

A. To solicit input on behalf of Jorge Guajardo to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit, Food and Beverage certificate and Mixed Beverage Restaurant Permit with FB at 303 S. Texas, also being the N ½ Lot 23 & all of Lot 24, Block 26, Weslaco Original Townsite, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

None.

B. To solicit input on behalf of Ezequiel Reyna to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain on-premise alcohol permit at 812 W. Interstate 2, also being lot 2, Re-plat Lot#1 Reyna Office Park Unit #1, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

None.

C. To solicit input on behalf of D&I Restaurants LLC to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a mixed beverage restaurant permit with FB at 2445 N. International Blvd Ste. 4 & 5, also being Lot 2, J. Valderas Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

None.

D. To solicit input on behalf of Ruben Salinas to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain an On Premise Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage late hours permit and Beverage Cartage Permit at 2901 W Business 83 also being the W1.77acres an Irrigation S881.60'-E179.15', Farm Tract 626, West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

None.

E. To solicit input on behalf of Melden & Hunt, Inc to rezone 1108 W Pike Blvd. Also being 0.55-acre tract of land out of, farm Tract 3, West & Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-2 Duplex and Apartment District to B-2 Secondary and Highway Business District.

None.

Commissioner Pedraza, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to close the public hearing at 5:38 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are 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 on second and final reading of the following:

1) Approval on Ordinance 2021-15 authorizing the issuance of "City of Weslaco Certificates of Obligation, Series 2021"; entering into a certificate of obligation purchase agreement and a paying agent/registrar agreement; and approving all matters related thereto and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (First reading held May 4, 2021 staffed by Finance Department.)

B. Approval on amendments and extension from May 7, 2021 to June 7, 2021 for Disaster Declaration (COVID-19) and any reports related to such executive orders and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staff by City Manager.)

C. Approval to authorize staff to solicit sealed bids to purchase commercial garbage bins and authorize Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve consent agenda A, B, and C, as presented. The motion carried with unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Re-consideration to award RFB No. 2020-21-12 for a New 4x4 Backhoe Loader to the most advantageous bidder Doggett Heavy Machinery, in an amount not to exceed \$89,651 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

Mike R. Perez, City Manager, stated the item presented at the last meeting was unclear on the selection of the vendor and for that reason brought back for clarification. The recommendation is to award the lowest responsive bid to Doggett Heavy Machinery stating the vendor has a loaner he will provide until delivery of the equipment in mid-August as this was a concern of the commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to award RFB No. 2020-21-12 for a new 4x4 Backhoe Loader to Doggett Heavy Machinery in the amount not to exceed \$89,651 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration amending Inter-local Agreements between the City of Edcouch and City of Weslaco for lease space at 1912 Joe Stephens for the use, maintenance and operation of the Mid-Valley Regional Communications Corporation (Center) and for the use, maintenance, and operation of Tyler Technologies New World Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS) and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Police Department.)

Joel Rivera, Chief of Police, recommended approval stating content had been amended

Commissioner Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to amend Interlocal Agreement between City of Edcouch and City of Weslaco for lease space at 1912 Joe Stephens for Mid-Valley Regional Communications Corporation (Center) as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration to award RFB No.: 2020-21-11 to NEXA Trailers to purchase a lowboy trailer in an amount not to exceed \$43,483 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

David Arce, Deputy Public Works Director, stated commission action approved to re-bid; five bids were received and staff recommended to award NEXA Trailer bid in the amount of \$43,483; delivery in three weeks and no trade in value and offers a savings of \$14,362.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to award RFB No. 2020-21-11 to NEXA Trailers for purchase of lowboy trailer in an amount not to exceed \$43,483 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration to approve brush collection service with Rod'z Lawn Care for three (3) weeks in the amount not to exceed \$24,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve.

David Arce stated the city has been using Rod'z Lawn Care to assist with the hauling of brush using two additional grapple trucks for a three-week period. Staff recommended to continue with Rod'z Lawn Care for an additional three weeks for an amount not to exceed \$24,000 stating recent weather event on May 12th will cause delays to the routes stating the additional trucks averages five loads a day per truck on top what the city is collecting.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz recommended to extend for a six-week period to avoid disruption and continuously have five trucks hauling brush.

Commissioner Pedraza rescinded the original motion.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve brush collection service with Rod'z Lawn Care for six weeks in an amount not to exceed \$48,000 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Jorge Guajardo to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit, Food and Beverage certificate and Mixed Beverage Restaurant Permit with FB at 303 S. Texas, also being the N ½ Lot 23 & all of Lot 24, Block 26, Weslaco Original Townsite, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas. and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, stated twenty-one property owners notified with no objection received; previously the old Pecker's Bar & Grill and will now be Oak Texas Bar & Grill LLC; applicant intends to expand the bar entirely in the building and if done a sprinkler system will be required. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with condition that one licensed security guard is on duty between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. and that life and safety requirements are met. Staff recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit, Food and Beverage certificate and Mixed Beverage Restaurant Permit with FB at 303 S. Texas conditional to one licensed security guard on duty between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

D. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Ezequiel Reyna to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain on-premise alcohol permit at 812 W. Interstate 2, also being lot 2, Re-plat Lot#1 Reyna Office Park Unit #1, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas. and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated five property owners notified with no objection received; location has recently changed ownership from Bar-B-Cutie's to Reyna's Bar-B-Que requiring the issuance of a new Conditional Use Permit and Alcohol Permit. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza, seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Conditional Use Permit to obtain on-premise alcohol permit at 812 W. Interstate 2 being lot 2, re-plat Lot #1 Reyna Office Park Unit #1 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of D&I Restaurants LLC to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Mixed Beverage restaurant permit with FB at 2445 N. International Blvd Ste. 4&5, also being Lot 2, J. Valderas Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, and Texas and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated five property owners notified with no objection received; applicant proposes to obtain a mixed beverage permit with food beverage permit at the proposed El Malecon restaurant serving a 90% to 10% food to alcohol ratio. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Mixed Beverage restaurant permit with FB at 2445 N. International Blvd. Ste. 4&5 being Lot 2, J. Valderas Subdivision as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Ruben Salinas to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain an on Premise Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage late hours permit and Beverage Cartage Permit at 2901 W Business 83 also being the W1.77acres an Irrigation S881.60'-E179.15', Farm Tract 626, West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated thirteen property owners notified with no objection received; location is the existing Brew & Cues Bar & Grill that has new management. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with the condition that two licensed security guards on duty during all hours of operation. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Conditional Use Permit to obtain on-premise Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage late hours permit and Beverage Cartage Permit at 2901 W. Business 83 with the condition that two licensed security guard is on duty during all hours of operation. as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

G. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Melden & Hunt, Inc on Ordinance 2021-17 to rezone 1108 W Pike Blvd. Also being 0.55 acre tract of land out of, farm Tract 3, West & Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-2 Duplex and apartment district to B-2 secondary and highway business district. and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2021-17. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated nineteen property owners were notified with no objection received; applicant proposes commercial development use and conforms to the 2040 Land Use Map and

surrounding area. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval based on compatible use to the area.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Ordinance 2021-17 rezone 1108 W. Pike Blvd. being 0.55-acre tract of land out of farm Tract 3, West & Adams Tract Subdivision as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for District North Weslaco Subdivision– being 39.97 acres out of Farm Tract 190, BLK 160, West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located on westside of Pleasant View Drive, 1320' North Mile 5 North Road and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this was a proposed fifty-nine (59) lot subdivision outside city limits; serviced with water by the North Alamo Water Supply and sanitary sewer through on-site sewage facility (OSSF); developer requested a variance on setback to allow for OSSF and a variance to permit off-site drainage; received a letter of support from drainage district for off-site drainage. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with variances. Staff recommended approval with compliance of the ordinance(s) on the variances.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Final Plat for District North Weslaco Subdivision being 39.97 acres out of Farm Tract 190, Blk 160 West Tract Subdivision with variances as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

I. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Bridge Crossing Ph II– being a re-subdivision of 16.273 acres being part or portion out of farm tract 744, The West And Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located approximately 1370 ft east of the intersection of 18th St & Mile 5 ½. and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this was a sixty-four (64) lot subdivision inside city limits; serviced with water and sewer by the city. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Final Plat for Bridge Crossing Ph II being re-subdivision of 16.273 acres being part or portion out of farm tract 744 West and Adams Tract Subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

J. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Domain Subdivision– being 1 acre out of Farm Tract 686, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located at 701 E. 16th St. and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this was a proposed twenty (20) lot subdivision inside city limits; serviced with water and sewer by the city. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Final Plat for Domain Subdivision being 1 acre out of Farm Tract 686 West and Adams Tract Subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

K. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Stone Oaks Subdivision– being 35.20 acres tract of land being the north 757.95 feet of Farm Tract 221, West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located at the southwest corner of Mile 11 North and Mile 6 1/2 West and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this was a proposed fifty-four (54) lot subdivision; outside the city limits; serviced with water by the North Alamo Water Supply and sewer by on-site sewage facility; developer requested a variance for on-site sewage facility and for off-site drainage receiving a letter of support from drainage district. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with variances. Staff recommended approval with compliance of the ordinances.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Final Plat for Stone Oaks Subdivision being 35.20 acres tract of land being north 757.95 ft of Farm Tract 221 West Tract Subdivision with variances as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

L. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Greener Pastures Mobile Home Subdivision PH II– being 3.94 acre tract of land out of Lot 82,133,134,135 and 136, Greener Pastures Mobile Home Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located on Main Gate Drive and Corral Drive and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this is a proposed fourteen lot (14) mobile home subdivision outside the City limits; serviced with water and sewer by the city; developer requested a variance for side and front setbacks and to the existing cul-da-sac that does not meet the Fire Code's required turning radius; developer will need to enter into a development agreement to grant the City permission to oversee the construction of the utility lines and required plumbing permits to connect to City services. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with variances. Staff recommended approval with compliance of the ordinances.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve Final Plat for Greener Pastures Mobile Home Subdivision Ph II being 3.94-acre tract of land out of Lot 82, 133, 134, 135 and 136 Greener Pastures Mobile Home Subdivision with variances as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

M. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Vaquero Estates Phase V– being a re-subdivision of 86.961 acres being all of farm tract 1072 out of Farm Tract 1065, 1066 & 1071, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located on FM 1015 & Mile 11 North and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this was a proposed two hundred seventy-four (274) lot subdivision outside the city; being serviced with water and sewer from North Alamo Water Supply; applicant requested a variance for off-site drainage receiving letters of support from the Drainage and Irrigation Districts; development lies within the city's Sanitary Sewer CCN requiring an interlocal agreement between developer, City and NAWSC for sewer connections. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with variance. Staff recommended approval with compliance of the ordinances

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Final Plat for Vaquero Estates Phase V being a re-subdivision of 86.961 acres being all of farm tract 1072 out of Farm Tract 1065, 1066 & 1071 West and Adams Tract Subdivision with variance as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

N. Discussion and consideration to approve the variance request to Section 26-38(a) for Pike District Subdivision– being 36.052 acres out of Farm Tract 163, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located at the southeast corner of W. Pike Blvd and Milanos Road and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated Pike District was approved on March 16, 2021; a plat note stipulated exterior perimeter sidewalks required; developer requested a variance to the approved subdivision plat note. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denial as this subdivision is located on the intersection of Milanos and Pike Blvd and the construction of the exterior perimeter sidewalk will allow homeowners a safe and accessible route to the commercial establishments and restaurants in the area. Staff recommended compliance with the ordinance.

Mayor Suarez called the question on the original motion. Motion failed unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

O. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2021-16 for the Voluntary Annexation of West and Adams Tract Subdivision – being a 4.73 acre tract of land out of Farm Tract 1046, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located adjacent to and east of Spanish Oak Dr and Shady Grove Trail and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2021-16. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this is a proposed seventeen (17) lot subdivision outside the city; development will be provided with water and sanitary sewer by the City. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval of the voluntary annexation.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Ordinance 2021-16 for Voluntary Annexation of West and Adams Tract Subdivision being 4.73-acre tract of land out of Farm Tract 1046 West and Adams Subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

P. Discussion and consideration of Change Order #1 Gignac Architects for Sports Field lighting at Judge Gilberto Garza Park and authorize Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez, Parks and Recreation Director, stated discussions from workshop meeting on March 27th was lights for the soccer fields at the Judge Gilbert Garza Park; Gignac Architects submitted proposal for the additional architectural and engineering not to exceed \$21,000 or 8.25% of the cost of the work whichever is less; recommendation is to have the current contractor (Celso) bring the required power supply and distribution point only and bid out for the construction of the lighting system (Musco Lighting System). Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve Change Order #1 Gignac Architects for Sports Field lighting at Judge Gilberto Garza Park as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Q. Discussion and consideration to declare surplus and removal of the Soccer Field Lighting equipment at Mayor Pablo Pena City Park and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez stated the lighting equipment at Mayor Pablo Pena Park (soccer fields) will need to be removed because of the construction of the regional detention facility. Staff recommended to declare the lighting equipment as surplus and approve the removal of said equipment.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve to declare surplus and removal of the Soccer Field Lighting equipment at Mayor Pablo Pena City Park as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

R. Discussion and consideration to award a Contract for the Water Spray Splash Pad Request for Proposal No.: 2020-21-17 to be installed at Judge Gilbert Garza Park in an amount not to exceed \$220,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez stated five proposals were received; staff merited the proposals on a scoring matrix taking into consideration firm's response and understanding of the project, qualifications/experience/references, adherence to City's specifications and requirements, originality and creativity in design proposal and proposed Cost. The Parks and Recreation Board and staff recommended to award Vortex that ranked #1.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to award Vortex for Water Spray Splash Pad Request for Proposal No. 2020-21-17 to be installed at Judge Gilbert Garza Park in an amount not to exceed \$220,000 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

S. Discussion and consideration to award Bid RFB No.: 2020-21-16 CHRISTMAS WREATHS AND SKYLINE DÉCOR to Arnette Marketing as the most advantageous respondent in the amount of \$48,215 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez recommended approval to award Arnette Marketing for the purchase of new wreaths that will replace aging wreaths; new wreaths will be placed on 144 poles located from Pike Boulevard to 6th Street and recommended to purchase an additional lighted garland for Texas Blvd.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to award bid RFB No. 2020-21-16 Christmas Wreaths and Skyline Décor to Arnette Marketing in the amount of \$48,215 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

T. Discussion and consideration to approve an Interlocal Agreement with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for the implementation of a Regional Bikeshare Program, fund the RGV BCycle project with an initial cost of \$62,916 with annual recurring cost of \$7,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Omar Rodriguez stated the development council received a pass-through grant from the Texas Department of Transportation and Federal Highway Administration that is a reimbursement-based grant; financial commitment from the City for the project is an initial cost of \$62,916 for two RGV BCycle stations of which the city will be reimbursed of \$43,500 and thereafter an annual recurring cost of \$7,000; a pro-rata contribution for the environmental survey and engineering, applicable state direct costs, and assumes the costs of constructing the concrete pad and electrical configuration needed for the installation of the BCycle Station and Kiosk for all participating cities will be determined.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve Interlocal Agreement with Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for the implementation of a Regional Bikeshare Program, fund the RGV BCycle project with initial cost of \$62,916 with annual recurring cost of \$7,000 as presented. Motioned carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

U. Discussion and consideration approving an Interlocal Agreement with Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council regarding the development and creation of the Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Tourism Master Plan and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Omar Rodriguez stated the interlocal supports the development and creation of the Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Tourism Master Plan; recognizes the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council will be the administrator and project manager; total project cost is \$264,000 with city's share to be \$12,247.95 of which \$6,889.47 will be reimbursed. Staff recommended approval as the goal is to create a seamless, comprehensive hike and bike trail network in the Rio Grande Valley.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve Interlocal Agreement with Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for development and creation of the Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Tourism Master Plan as presented. Motioned carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

V. Discussion and consideration on Resolution 2021-33 providing a financial commitment to the Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Tourism Plan Project in the amount of \$12,248 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Omar Rodriguez stated the Resolution commits to the local match for the project as approved in the previous action item and is a requirement of the grant process. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Resolution 2021-33 providing financial commitment to Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Tourism Plan project in the amount of \$12,248 as presented. Motioned carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

W. Discussion and consideration of proposed change order #6 for the Pleasantview & 11th St Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$21,000 and authorize Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

Albert Aldana, City Engineer, stated the change order was necessary because existing valves located at 18th Street and Pleasantview could not be shut down by Public Works; installation of new valves was done to avoid any delay to the project. Staff recommended approval of the change order is for \$21,000.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz, City Engineer stated work included the installation of two 12" gate valves and one 8" gate valve at the Pleasantview & 18th St crossings and monies; cost was negotiated and Project Engineer SWG recommended approval and monies available in the contingency fund.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve change order #6 for Pleasantview & 11th St Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$21,000 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

X. Discussion and consideration of proposed change order #7 for the Pleasantview & 11th St Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$16,500 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

Albert Aldana stated the change order would have the installation of 240 ft of 18" reinforced concrete pipe (rcp) by doing this it will reroute water from an existing storm line that discharges to Pleasantview Dr to drain into the city's drainage system and possibly to the regional detention facility. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve change order #7 for Pleasantview & 11th St Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$16,500 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

Y. Discussion and consideration of proposed change order #8 for the Pleasantview & 11th St. Drainage Project in the amount of \$31,000 and authorize Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

Albert Aldana stated scope of work would connect Weslaco East High School Drainage Detention to drain into the two 4'x 8' boxes being installed by the city drainage improvements being done and will allow for a small portion of paving improvements between 10th Street to the southernly limits of school property. Staff recommended approval.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz, City Engineer stated currently water from school property drains southernly to a swell that does not drain anywhere; change order will allow for the water from the swell and will assist the neighborhood to the West to drain into the RDF.

Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve change order #8 for Pleasantview & 11th St Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$31,000 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor was present and voting.

Z. Discussion and consideration of a Water Utility Reimbursement Agreement for Milanos Estates PH I located on Milanos Rd south of 18th Street and authorize Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

Albert Aldana stated developer of the Milanos Estates Subdivision will upgrade the proposed offsite 10" sanitary sewer line from Lift Station 37 to a 12" sewer line; will allow for future development to the north the capability to connect to the sewer line; agreement approves reimbursement to the developer for connecting to their sewer line. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz moved to approve a Water Utility Reimbursement Agreement for Milanos Estates PH I located on Milanos Rd south of 18th St as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Farias in attendance.

At 6:31 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to convene the regular meeting in Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

At 8:22 p.m. Mayor Suarez stated the City Commission had completed its Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting as open to the public.

VIII. POSSIBLE ACTION ON WHAT IS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

No action.

B. Personnel - Discussion regarding the Professional Services Agreement for Municipal Court Judge Samuel V. Sanchez as authorized by section §551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

C. Contract Negotiations - Discussion with the City Manager and City Attorney relating to the City's rights, duties, privileges, and obligations in connection to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fire Union (IAFF-WFFA Local 3207) as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Rodriguez abstained from discussion.

No action.

D. Real Property - Consultation with City Attorney on the purchase, sale, exchange, lease or value of real property located on Dragon Fly Street as authorized by section §551.072 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

E. Legal Consultation - Consultation with City Attorney relating to the lawsuit with CDM as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

F. Legal Consultation - Consultation with City Attorney regarding Christopher De Leon as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

G. Legal Consultation - seek City Attorney relating to a Conditional Use Permit for a bar located 2307 W. Expressway as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

H. Legal Consultation - Consultation with City Attorney regarding litigation styled Ruben Cantu v City of Weslaco, Texas et al; Cause No. 7:21-cv-155 as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Rodriguez abstained from discussion.

No action.

I. Economic Development - Consultation with City Attorney regarding financial offer or other incentives for Project Z & L as authorized by section §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

J. Economic Development - Consultation with City Attorney regarding financial offer or other incentives for Project Falcon as authorized by section §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from discussion and vote.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve a revised financial offer and incentives for Project Falcon as discussed in executive session. The motion carried; Commissioner Kerr abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

K. Economic Development - Consultation with City Attorney regarding financial options for Project Green Light as authorized by section §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from discussion and vote.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve a financial loan with Texas Regional Bank with a 2.95% interest rate for Project Green Light as discussed in executive session. The motion carried; Commissioner Kerr abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and vote.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to adjourn the meeting of May 18, 2021 at 8:23 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

Norma A. Cantu, CITY SECRETARY