



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
JULY 20, 2021**

On Tuesday, July 20, 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
	Commissioner	Greg Kerr
	Commissioner	J.P. Rodriguez
	Commissioner	Josh Pedraza
	Commissioner	Adrian Farias
 ABSENT:	 Mayor Pro Tem	 Leo Muñoz
	Commissioner	Letty Lopez
 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, Eddie Gil, IT Department, Omar Rodriguez, Parks & Recreation Director, Rebekah de la Fuente, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, Robert Lopez, Asst. Police Chief, Pete Garcia, Public Works Director, David Arce, Deputy Public Works Director, Olga Garza, Asst. Public Works Director, Rosa Huerta, Municipal Court, George Quilantan, Inframark, and Molly Vallejo.

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 Thursday, July 15, 2021.

B. Invocation.

Pastor Robin Wiley, First Baptist Church led in the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Suarez led the "Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag."

D. Mayoral Recognition.

E. Roll Call.

Norma A. Cantu, City Secretary, called the roll call noting the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Muñoz, Commissioner Lopez, and Commissioner Farias and a quorum present.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to open the public hearing at 5:36 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

A. To solicit input on behalf of Juan Rodriguez to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain an On-Premises Retail Dealer's Wine and Beer Retailer's permit at 2721 W. Business 83. Also being Lot 7, Block 1, Westview Estates Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

No comments received.

B. To solicit input on behalf of Amado Sanchez to rezone 403 W Pike Blvd. Also being Lot 2-3, Block 20, Esplanada Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas R-1 One family Dwelling district to B-2 secondary and highway business district.

No comments received.

C. To solicit input on behalf of Felix De La Cruz to rezone 105 Adelita St. Also being Lot 8-10, San Francisco Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-1 One Family Dwelling District and R-2 Duplex and apartment district to B-1 neighborhood business district.

No comments received.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to close the public hearing at 5:37 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 of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 6, 2021 (Staffed by City Secretary Department.)

B. Approval of the request by the Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco to close Texas Blvd/FM 88 between U.S. Business Highway 83 and Sixth Street on the third (3) Thursday, of the month from August 2021 to February 2022 between the hours 3:00 PM and 10:00 PM for Alfresco Weslaco Music & Art on the Street; in addition, authorizing the sale of wine and beer by a TABC licensed vendor; waiving fees and ordinances associated with the event; provision of support by City of Weslaco, Weslaco Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Police, Fire, and EMS Department and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Weslaco EDC.)

C. Approval of the renewal of the agreements with Muniservices for local hotel occupancy tax program and sales tax audit and administration services for a one-year term in the amount of \$6,624 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

D. Authorization to apply to BJA FY2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program - Local Solicitation in the amount of \$12,010 with NO MATCH REQUIRED and NO RECURRING FEES and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Police Department.)

E. Authorization to apply to BJA FY21 Preventing School Violence: BJA's STOP School Violence Program Grant in the amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 with NO MATCH REQUIRED AND NO RECURRING FEES REQUIRED and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Police Department.)

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve consent agenda A, B, C, D, and E as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration on realignment of drainage ditch at Mayor Pablo Pena City Park and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (This item was tabled May 4, 2021; Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.) Attachment.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to remove the item from the table. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve.

Omar Rodriguez, Parks & Recreation Director stated Phase I of the Kansas Los Torritos drainage improvements has a regional detention facility to be located at Mayor Pablo Pena Park; went over scope of work for Phase I that begins at Sinclair Street all the way to the North side of the park; went over the conceptual layout of the realignment of the current drainage ditch that would go into

the park and would change the profile of the park; stated an exchange of equal right-of-way with HCIDD #9 would be needed as requested by them. Staff recommended approval.

In response to the Mayor and Commissioners, Omar stated soccer fields would be lost, but smaller fields would be in place, current trail on the North side would be extended and accessible to the neighborhood to enter the park; spoke with organizations to be affected with the changes and no objections as the City will be providing new lighted fields and other facilities on Mile 11. The City Manager noted the proposed RDF would have more capacity than the ditch and water will recede quickly so long as the ditch is kept clean and playscapes will remain. The City Engineer is doing the design, city crews excavating and Halff and Associates will provide construction management of the project. Mayor Suarez stated he would like to see how the continuous movement of water will be to ensure the design plan is adequate and asked if a hydrologic study was done. The City Manager stated approval can be contingent to the hydrologic study and would have Halff and Associates present at the next meeting.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve realignment of drainage ditch at Mayor Pablo Peña City Park contingent to the hydrologic study as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration to approve scoring matrix for Fire and Police with Municipal Court construction project and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (There was no action June 15, and July 6, 2021; staffed by Airport Department.)

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve.

Andrew Muñoz, Asst. City Manager/Aviation Director, briefly went over the changes as discussed from the last meeting that included changing the wording on Section 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 and awarded points to each section sub-questions. Staff recommended other changes taken from comments received from ERO Architects and commissioners is to increase Section 1 proposal points from 50 to 60, decrease Section 2 from 10 to 8 points; Section 3 decrease from 10 to 8 points, Section 4 decrease from 18 to 16, Section 5 decrease from 7 to 6 points and Section 6 decrease from 5 to 3 points stating the total scoring would still equal 100 points suggesting by raising the points in Section 1, Proposal Price, more competitive pricing could be received.

The City Manager suggested the commission remove the points from the minor categories leaving points on the major category and avoid a repetitive task of calculating a score. Mayor Suarez voiced the subcategories help justify the scoring and can be more objective and would like to keep. Staff is ready to proceed and needs direction on the scoring matrix.

In response to Commissioner Kerr, Section 6.1 sub-contractors' respondents would need to list those subcontractors they would use. Staff would award points based on work performance of those subcontractors this ensures no subcontractor is disbarred and suspended and the subcontractors would need to be specific to the project.

Commissioner Kerr withdrew the original motion.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve with changes to increase Section 1 proposal points from 50 to 60 with all other sections to be decreased as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Juan Rodriguez to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain an On-Premises Retail Dealer's Wine and Beer Retailer's permit at 2721 W. Business 83. Also being Lot 7, Block 1, Westview Estates Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Rebekah de la Fuente, Planning & Code Enforcement Director, stated nineteen property owners within 200 feet of the applicant's property were notified; small convenience store (Martha's Sweets) operating similar to Crazy About Mangonadas and Juan Botas where they prepare and carry out. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to approved Conditional Use Permit to Obtain On-Premise Retailer's Wine and Beer Retailer's permit at 2721 W. Business 83 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Domingo Gonzalez on Ordinance 2021-25 to rezone 403 W Pike Blvd. Also being Lot 2-3, Block 20, Esplanada Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas R-1 One family Dwelling district to B-2 secondary and highway business district and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2021-25. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated eighteen property owners within 200 feet of the applicant's property were notified with no objection received; across from Palm Plaza with proposals to place a small candy apple store. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Ordinance 2021-25 to rezone 403 W. Pike Blvd. also being Lot 2-3, Block 20 Esplanda Subdivision as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of Felix De La Cruz on Ordinance 2021-26 to rezone 105 Adelita St. Also being Lot 8-10, San Francisco Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-1 One Family Dwelling District and R-2 Duplex and apartment district to B-1 neighborhood business district and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2021-26. Three-fourths vote required. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to discuss.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated twenty-three property owners within 200 feet were notified with one petition against who owns three properties in the area; the Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommended denial based on 2040 land use map.

Felix De La Cruz stated born and raised in Weslaco; his intention has been to open an Aguilar's Meat Market in Weslaco; has existing stores – two in Edinburg, one in San Juan and Mission; doesn't know who objected but his other stores are located in neighborhood areas and has not had any issues. Mr. De La Cruz asked what the objections to his store are.

Rebekah stated the 2040 Land Use Map has not identified Adelita Street as a commercial coordinator and proposed use will not conform (spot zoning) to the surrounding residential neighborhood.

City Manager stated in Texas, we are required to adopt a master plan; City Commission instructs the Planning & Zoning Commission to go through series of public hearings and to outline how they want the city to be used; either it be residential, commercial, multifamily, retail and/or industrial and hold public hearings and then adopt. The master plan considers this area residential and changing it to commercial is called "spot zone".

Mr. Cruz stated his front two properties are commercial; has six properties on Adelita Street and asks Commission for their favorable consideration.

Mayor Suarez recommends tabling the item until they have a full commission since the item requires three-fourths vote of those present.

Commissioner Kerr withdrew original motion seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to table Ordinance 2021-26. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

D. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2021-27 for the Voluntary Annexation of Weslaco Industrial Park Subdivision – being a 146.09 acre tract of land out of Farm Tract 1056, 1057, and 1058, Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located at the Northeast Intersection of Mile 9 & FM 1015 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2021-27. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this is the proposed site for the future Mid Valley Industrial Park; the next phase; rezoning will be presented at the next meeting; this is the first step to get into the city. The Planning & Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Ordinance 2021-27 for Voluntary Annexation of Weslaco Industrial Park Subdivision being 146.09-acre tract of land

out of Farm Tract 1056, 1057, and 1058, Adams Tract Subdivision as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Highland Manor PH 2– being a re-subdivision of 13.46 acres out of Farm Tract 238 and 239, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located on FM 1015 & Mile 11th North and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this is a proposed eighteen (18) lot subdivision located outside City limits; supplied with water by North Alamo Water Supply through an eight-inch water line. They are proposing sanitary sewer through OSSF and requesting a variance for OSFF and variance for offsite drainage; received letters of support from Irrigation District and Drainage District. The Planning & Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve Final Plat for Highland Manor PH2 being a re-subdivision of 13.46 acres out of Farm Tract 238 and 239, West and Adams Subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Discussion and consideration to approve the Final Plat for Chavez De Los Santos Subdivision– being a 6.364 acre tract out of Farm Tract 256, West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located on the West side of Mile 4 ½ West, approximately 1770 ft. South of Mile 12 North and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.) Attachment.

Rebekah de la Fuente stated this is a proposed two (2) lot subdivision located outside city limits; supplied with water by North Alamo Water Supply through 6-inch waterline; sewer by OSSF; requesting variance. The Planning & Zoning Commission and staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to approve Final Plat for Chavez De Los Santos Subdivision being a 6.364-acre tract out of Farm Tract 256, West Tract Subdivision as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

G. Discussion and consideration on Ordinance 2021-28 first and final reading approving a negotiated resolution between the City of Weslaco and Texas Gas Service regarding the company's Cost of Service Adjustment tariff filing declaring an effective date and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First and final reading of Ordinance 2021-28. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.) Attachment.

Vidal Roman, Finance Director stated Texas Gas Service requested \$4.2 million increase; it was

reduced by \$780,000 with final number being \$3.8 million; tariff effective on July 28, 2021.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Ordinance 2021-28 on first and final reading Texas Gas Service Cost of Service Adjustment tariff as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration to accept and file the Financial Reports for the General Fund, Water/Wastewater and Solid Waste funds for the period ending June 30, 2021 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Vidal Roman reviewed the financials for the General Fund, Water/Wastewater and Solid Waste Funds for the quarter ending June 30, 2021. The City is in good financial standing. Staff recommends acceptance and filing of these reports.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to accept and file the financials for the General, Water/Wastewater and Solid Funds of June 30, 2021 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

I. Discussion and consideration to accept and file the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ending June 30, 2021 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Vidal Roman reviewed the quarterly investment report for June 30, 2021. He reported the City is doing well financially.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to accept and file the Quarterly Investment Report for period ending June 30, 2021 as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

J. Discussion and consideration on amendment to the inter-local agreement between the City of Weslaco and County of Hidalgo Tax Office for the assessment and collection of property taxes for another year effective September 1, 2021 in the amount of \$48,564 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Vidal Roman stated an interlocal agreement with the County for the collection and assessment of taxes; there will be no increase in fees from last year; fees will be \$48,564. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve amendment to the inter-local agreement between City of Weslaco and County of Hidalgo Tax Office as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

K. Discussion and consideration to approve authorization to solicit bids for the purchase of Commercial Dumpsters with lock bars and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works.)

Olga Garza, Asst. Public Works Director stated the city will be taking over the commercial dumpster services and looking at requiring business owners to request a lock bar on their containers; business owner will have their own set of keys to open the dumpster; no issues when we dispose of trash with the locks; this would prevent the public from illegal dumping trash in their containers.

Commissioner Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to approve authorization to solicit bids for the purchase of Commercial Dumpsters with lock bars as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Commissioner Farias in attendance.

L. Discussion and consideration of removal of commercial dumpster from city parks and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks & Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez, Parks & Recreation Director stated on a weekly basis illegal dumping is happening at our city parks; reviewed pictures of trash overflow on city dumpsters at the parks; trash is being generated by residential trash; staff has been picking up trash and junk around the dumpsters and disposing at Public Works.

City Manager Mike R. Perez stated this will be done on a pilot basis; trash is accumulating at our city parks, and commercial accounts are having the same issues; Public Works will open on Saturdays to drop off bulky items.

Commissioner Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve removal of commercial dumpsters on a pilot basis from city parks as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

M. Discussion and consideration to award Southern Trenchless Solutions (Buyboard Contract #635-21) in the amount not to exceed \$127,511 for pipebursting project on S. Indiana St., S. Oklahoma St., and Lee Garza, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works.)

Commissioner Farias abstained from voting and discussion.

Pete Garcia, Public Works Director stated that staff has identified sewer line repairs due to deterioration at the locations on S. Indiana from Business 83 to 4th Street; S. Oklahoma from Business 83 to 4th Street; and Lee Garza Street and Bridge Avenue. Staff is recommending the lowest bidder to Southern Trenchless Solutions not to exceed \$127,511.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to award Southern Trenchless Solutions for pipe bursting project as presented. Motion carried with Commissioner Farias abstaining; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

N. Discussion and consideration to solicit for Request for Proposals (RFP's) for EMS Billing services and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Fire Department.)

Antonio “Tony” Lopez, Fire Chief recommended approval to solicit proposals for EMS Billing Services as the EMS calls have increased and is requiring a greater demand on staff with incoming collections; due to the demand, staff recommended to contract out the billing services.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to authorize solicitation of the Request for Proposals for EMS Billing services as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

O. Discussion and consideration to approve rerates on current Health Insurance Plan with UnitedHealthcare, Dental Insurance with BC/BS, and Vision Insurance with Avesis for Fiscal Year October 01, 2021 through September 30, 2022 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by HR Department.)

Luz Galindo, Human Resources Director, introduced Araceli Garza with Jeff Everitt & Associates. Ms. Araceli Garza stated they were able to secure renewal rates for health insurance with UnitedHealthcare with a negotiated rate from 11.7% to 5%. City Manager stated recommendation is to go with Option 1 and Option 2 which will not put a high cost for specialty medication.

Araceli Garza stated there is no changes or increases to the Dental and Vision plans. In reference to Commissioner Farias question relating to online enrollment; Araceli Garza stated that Jeff Everett and Associates can offer their products via online enrollment. Other insurances will have to be done manually and/or possibly work with the other agents to see if it can be online.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve rerates on Health Insurance Plan with UnitedHealthcare, Dental Insurance with BC/BS, and Vision Insurance with Avesis as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

P. Discussion and consideration to approve request by contractor to amend contract amendment and reduce retainage amount from 10% to 5% for the Pleasantview & 11th St. Drainage Improvements Project and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

City Manager Mike R. Perez stated that contractor Rigney Construction and its subcontractor Total Commitment have requested to amend contract and reduce retainage from 10% to 5% for Pleasantview & 11th Street Drainage Improvements project. Mr. Perez stated there are some unfinished work that needs to be completed such as build a curb and gutter on the north end of the project, place some caliche, paving and pave the damage done on 18th Street. City Manager recommended reducing 10% to 5% once a letter is received from Project Engineer Jose Reyes stating all work, other than the boring under International Blvd., be completed and that he and City Engineer Albert Aldana meet with Jose Reyes of SWG to agree with this recommendation.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Kerr moved to approve contract amendment and reduce retainage amount from 10% to 5% contingent to projects completion and staff meeting with Jose Reyes of SWG as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Q. Discussion and consideration to authorize seeking of Bids for proposed Traffic Signal Improvements at intersections of Westgate and 6th, Bridge and 18th, Bridge and Pike Blvd, and Bridge and 6th St and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

City Manager Mike R. Perez stated staff is seeking approval to advertise and seek bids for proposed traffic signal improvements at these locations: Bridge Street at Pike Blvd (re-cable existing traffic signal & add vehicle detection); Bridge St at 6th Street (re-cable existing traffic signal & add vehicle detection); Bridge Street at 18th Street (remove existing traffic signal & install new traffic signal) and Westgate Drive at 6th Street (Install new traffic signal).

Commissioner Farias stated he would like to see an agenda item at the next meeting on street striping.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to approve authorization to seek Bids of proposed Traffic Signal Improvements as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

R. Discussion and consideration to approve seeking of bids for proposed new sidewalks and maintenance of existing sidewalks throughout the City of Weslaco and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

City Manager Mike R. Perez stated staff seeks approval of bids for proposed new sidewalks and maintenance of existing sidewalks throughout the City.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve authorization to seek Bids for proposed new sidewalks and maintenance of existing sidewalks as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VII. REPORTS

- A. Report by Engineering Department - Pleasantview project.
- B. Report by Siemens: Year 2 Annual Performance Assurance report.
- C. Report by Parks and Recreation.
- D. Report by Public Works.
- E. Report by Emergency Management - COVID-19.
No reports until the next meeting.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to convene the regular meeting in Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

At 7:42 p.m. Mayor Suarez stated the City Commission had completed its Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting as open to the public.

IX. 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 Police Union (Weslaco Municipal Police Association) as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

D. 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.

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

No action.

F. Legal Consultation - Consultation with City Attorney relating to WEDC loan of \$12,500,000 for land and improvements at real property described as Tract 1 out of Farm Tracts 1056, 1057 and 1058, West and Adams Tract Subdivision as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from voting and discussion.

Commissioner Pedraza, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez move to recommend approval to the final terms of the loan by WEDC with Texas Regional Bank for \$12 million master line of credit also called a draw note, with assignment of sales tax revenue as collateral; interest at 2.95% fixed for 5 years with monthly interest payments based on amount of draws, reserve account of \$700,000 to be funded by March 2022 with net sale proceeds to be applied to principal balance with minimum sales/release price per acre of \$45,000 to be calculated on an aggregate basis. The motion carried with Commissioner Kerr abstaining. Mayor was present and voting.

G. Legal Consultation - Consultation with City Attorney regarding potential claim from Leonel Garza, Juan Guadalupe Velasquez, Jose Gonzalez, Judy Velasquez, Individually and as next friend of D.T. and A.G., Minors vs. City of Weslaco, Weslaco Police Department and Jose Alberto Lozoya as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez moved to adjourn the meeting of July 20, 2021 at 7:43 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

Norma A. Cantu, CITY SECRETARY