A REGULAR MEETING

OF THE WESLACO CITY COMMISSION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2017

On Tuesday, November 21, 2017, at 5:36 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	Gerardo "Jerry" Tafolla
Commissioner	Greg Kerr
Commissioner	Jose "JP" Rodriguez
Commissioner	Letty Lopez
Commissioner	Josh Pedraza
City Manager	Mike R. Perez
City Secretary	Elizabeth Walker
City Attorney	Juan E. Gonzalez

Also present: Mary Barrera, Finance Director; Veronica Ramirez, Human Resources Director; Jose Pena, Information Technology Director; Tony Lopez, Fire Chief; Stephen Mayer, Police Chief; Mardoqueo Hinojosa, Planning and Code Enforcement Director and City Engineer; David Arce, Parks and Recreation Director; and other staff members

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, November 17, 2017.

B. Invocation.

Chaplain Howard Bloomquist, Chaplain for the Weslaco Police Department, led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag.

D. Mayoral recognition.

Mayor Suarez recognized Charles Warren for his twenty years of service on the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Weslaco Bikearoos which raffled six children's bicycles, and the Weslaco Finance Department which earned the Governmental Finance Officers Association award.

E. Roll Call.

Elizabeth Walker, City Secretary, called the roll, noting the absence of Commissioner Muñoz and a quorum present.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eudy Carrillo commended the city on its efforts in providing bicycling lanes in streets and parks requested maintenance and expansion of existing lanes Airport to Bridge Avenues.

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discussed separately unless requested by one commission member, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon.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 following:

1) Minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 7, 2017;

2) Minutes of the Special Meeting on November 14, 2017. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)

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

1) Approval of Ordinance 2017-47, authorizing and allowing under the act governing the Texas Municipal Retirement System, "updated service credits" in said system for service performed by qualifying members of such system who presently are members of the City of Weslaco; providing for increased prior and current service annuities for retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the city; and establishing an effective date for such actions. (First reading held November 7, 2017; Staffed by Finance Department.)

C. Approval to authorize request for bids for Bike Lanes on 18th Street and Bridge Avenue. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the ordinance is as follows:

ORDINANCE 2017-47

TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ALLOWING, UNDER THE ACT GOVERNING THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, "UPDATED SERVICE CREDITS" IN SAID SYSTEM FOR SERVICE PERFORMED BY QUALIFYING MEMBERS OF SUCH SYSTEM WHO PRESENTLY ARE MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF WESLACO; PROVIDING FOR INCREASED PRIOR AND CURRENT SERVICE ANNUITIES FOR RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES OF DECEASED RETIREES OF THE CITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE FOR SUCH ACTIONS.

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

Section 1. Authorization of Updated Service Credits.

(a) On the terms and conditions set out in Sections 853.401 through 853.403 of Subtitle G of Title 8, Government Code, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "TMRS ACT"), each member of the Texas Municipal Retirement System (hereinafter referred to as the "System") who has current service credit or prior service credit in the System in force and effect on the 1st day of January of the calendar year preceding such allowance, by reason of service in the employment of the City, and on such date has at least 36 months of credited service with the System, shall be and is hereby allowed "Updated Service Credit" (as that term is defined in subsection (d) of Section 853.402 of said title) in an amount that is 50% of the "base Updated Service Credit" of the member (calculated as provided in subsection (c) of Section 853.402 of said title). The Updated Service Credit hereby allowed shall replace any Updated Service Credit, prior service credit, special prior service credit, or antecedent service credit previously authorized for part of the same service.

(b) On the terms and conditions set out in Section 853.601 of said title, any member of the System who is eligible for Updated Service Credits on the basis of service with this City, and who has unforfeited credit for prior service and/or current service with another participating municipality or municipalities by reason of previous service, and was a contributing member on 1st day of January of the calendar year preceding such allowance, shall be credited with Updated Service Credits pursuant to, calculated in accordance with, and subject to adjustment as set forth in said 853.601.

(c) In accordance with the provisions of subsection (d) of Section 853.401 of said title, the deposits required to be made to the System by employees of the several participating departments on account of current service shall be calculated from and after the date aforesaid on the full amount of such person's earnings as an employee of the City.

Section 2. Increase in Retirement Annuities.

(a) On terms and conditions set out in Section 854.203 of Subtitle G of Title 8, Government Code, as amended, the City hereby elects to allow and to provide for payment of the increases below stated in monthly benefits payable by the System to retired employees and to beneficiaries of deceased employees of this City under current service annuities and prior service annuities arising from service by such employees to this City. An annuity increased under this Section replaces any annuity or increased annuity previously granted to the same person.

(b) The amount of annuity increase under this Section is computed as the sum of the prior and current service annuities on the effective date of retirement of the person on whose service the annuities are based, multiplied by 30% of the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, from December of the year immediately preceding the effective date of the person's retirement to the December that is 13 months before the effective date of this ordinance.

(c) An increase in an annuity that was reduced because of an option selection is reducible in the same proportion and in the same manner that the original annuity was reduced.

(d) If a computation hereunder does not result in an increase in the amount of an annuity, the amount of the annuity will not be changed hereby.

(e) The amount by which an increase under this Section exceeds all previously granted increases to an annuitant is an obligation of this City and of its account in the Benefit Accumulation Fund of the System.

Effective Date Subject to approval by the Board of Trustees of Texas Municipal Retirement System, the updated service credits and increases in retirement annuities granted hereby shall be and become effective on the 1st day of January, 2018.

Passed and approved this the 7th day of November, 2017.

Passed and approved on final reading this the 21st day of November, 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

IV. APPOINTMENTS

A. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolutions 2017-71, 2017-72 and 2017-73 appointing three members to expired terms on the Economic Development Corporation of the Weslaco Board of Directors and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Economic Development Corporation.)

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve Resolutions 2017-71, 2017-72 and 2017-73 re-appointing Stephen Charlton, Diana Fuentes Aguilar and Cynthia Cabaza respectively to the Economic Development Corporation of the Weslaco Board of Directors as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following are the resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco has established the Economic Development Corporation pursuant to the Development Corporation Act of 1979 as amended; and

WHEREAS, the term of one member on this board of this corporation is for three years; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco's board members shall serve staggered terms without compensation and limited to two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Stephen G. Charlton is re-appointed to a term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation that will expire on the 20th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-72

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco has established the Economic Development Corporation pursuant to the Development Corporation Act of 1979 as amended; and

WHEREAS, the term of one member on this board of this corporation is for three years; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco's board members shall serve staggered terms without compensation and limited to two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Diana Fuentes Aguilar is re-appointed to a term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation that will expire on the 20th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-73

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF WESLACO

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco has established the Economic Development Corporation pursuant to the Development Corporation Act of 1979 as amended; and

WHEREAS, the term of one member on this board of this corporation is for three years; and

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco's board members shall serve staggered terms without compensation and limited to two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Cynthia Cabaza is re-appointed to a term as a member of the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation that will expire on the 20th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November, 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

B. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2017-70 appointing a member to an expired term on the Board of Adjustments & Appeals Zoning Ordinance and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement.)

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, moved to approve Resolution 2017-70 re-appointing Mark McCaleb to the Board of Adjustments & Appeals Zoning Ordinance with the exemption to concurrently serve on the Weslaco 100 Committee as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following is the resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-70

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS & APPEALS-ZONING ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Board of Adjustments & Appeals-Zoning Ordinance.

WHEREAS, the term of the members of this board are for two years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Adjustments & Appeals-Zoning Ordinance members shall serve with neither compensation nor term limits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Mark McCaleb is appointed to serve a term on the Board of Adjustments & Appeals-Zoning Ordinance and the term will expire on 21st day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

C. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolutions 2017-74, 2017-75, 2017-76, 2017-77 and 2017-78 appointing five members to expired terms on the Planning and Zoning Commission and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Resolutions 2017-74, 2017-75, 2017-76, 2017-77 and 2017-78 re-appointing Juan Jose Trevino, Jim Forward, and Lonnie Berry and appointing Adrian Torres and Miles Bullion to the Planning and Zoning Commission as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following are the resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-74

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BOARD

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Planning and Zoning Commission Board pursuant to Subsection 2-36 of Ordinance No. 291, as codified in the City of Weslaco Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission Board members shall serve without compensation and unlimited terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Juan Jose Trevino is appointed to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Board and your term will expire no later than the 17th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November 2017

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-75

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Planning and Zoning Commission Board pursuant to Subsection 2-36 of Ordinance No. 291, as codified in the City of Weslaco Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission Board members shall serve without compensation and unlimited terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Jim Forward is appointed to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Board and your term will expire no later than the 17th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-76

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Planning and Zoning Commission Board pursuant to Subsection 2-36 of Ordinance No. 291, as codified in the City of Weslaco Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission Board members shall serve without compensation and unlimited terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Lonnie Berry is appointed to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Board and your term will expire no later than the 17th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-77

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Planning and Zoning Commission Board pursuant to Subsection 2-36 of Ordinance No. 291, as codified in the City of Weslaco Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission Board members shall serve without compensation and unlimited terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Adrian Torres is appointed to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Board and your term will expire no later than the 17th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November, 2017.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-78

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco created and established the Planning and Zoning Commission Board pursuant to Subsection 2-36 of Ordinance No. 291, as codified in the City of Weslaco Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission Board members shall serve without compensation and unlimited terms; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Miles Bullion is appointed to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission Board and your term will expire no later than the 17th day of December 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 21st day of November, 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

D. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2017-69 to allocate votes in the election for the 2018-2019 Board of Directors of the Hidalgo County Appraisal District pursuant to §6.03(e) of the Texas Property Tax Code. Possible action. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve Resolution 2017-69 allocating all votes to David Hernandez to the 2018-2019 Board of Directors of the Hidalgo County Appraisal District as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following is the resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-69

STATE OF TEXAS	§	RESOLUTION CASTING VOTES BY THE CITY OF WESLACO FOR A CANDIDATE TO HIDALGO COUNTY
COUNTY OF HIDALGO	§	

CITY OF WESLACO	§	APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018-2019.

WHEREAS, the City of' Weslaco, a governmental unit entitled to vote in the selection of a Board of Directors for the Hidalgo County Appraisal District, has been notified by the Chief Appraiser of Hidalgo County, Texas, that votes to the said Board of Directors should be submitted in Resolution form to the Chief Appraiser by December 15, 2017 and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to cast all its 75 assigned votes to David Hernandez as candidate on the ballot for Director of the Hidalgo County Appraisal District 2018-2019.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISISON OF THE CITY OF WESLACO as follows:

1. The City Commission of the City of Weslaco does hereby cast its 75 assigned votes to David Hernandez as a candidate for the Director of Hidalgo County Appraisal District.
2. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be delivered to the Chief Appraiser Hidalgo County, Texas, to evidence this nomination.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day, November 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

E. <u>Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2017-80 appointing one Commission member to replace the alternate on the Amigos del Valle. Possible action. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)</u>

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to approve Resolution 2017-80 appointing Commissioner Lopez as alternate on the Amigos del Valle as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, following is the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-80

THE STATE OF TEXAS	§	A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER AND AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE AMIGOS DEL VALLE, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
COUNTY OF HIDALGO	§	
CITY OF WESLACO	§	

WHEREAS, the Amigos del Valle, Inc. has requested that a City of Weslaco elected official be appointed to serve as the official member of the Amigos del Valle, Inc. Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco may elect to appoint an individual of the City of Weslaco to serve in place of the official member; and

WHEREAS, the Amigos del Valle, Inc. has requested that a City of Weslaco elected official be appointed to serve as an alternate member of the Amigos del Valle, Inc. Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2017 Mayor Pro Tempore Gerardo "Jerry" Tafolla was appointed to the Amigos del Valle, Inc. Board of Directors on behalf of the City of Weslaco.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO that Letty Lopez, City Commissioner be appointed as an alternate member of the Amigos del Valle, Inc. Board of Directors and a copy of this Resolution shall be delivered to the Amigos del Valle, Inc. to evidence these appointments.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 21st day of November, 2017.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

Approved as to form:
/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration to extend the Severn Trent annual agreement two-years for an annual increase capped at 1.3% and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (There was no action on this item November 7, 2017; requested by Severn Trent.)

The City Manager recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to extend the Severn Trent annual agreement two-years for an annual increase capped at 1.3% as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and reconsideration to purchase one (1) 2018 vehicle from Buyboard vendor Gunn Chevrolet Ltd. under the capital outlay fund 2017-2018 budget for Collections Department, being a 1 Ton Pickup Regular Cab with service body from $34,113 to $36,733 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (This item was approved November 7, 2017; Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

David Arce, Parks Director, stated a reconciliation of the quote identified an accounting error on the cost for the vehicle. The vendor Gunn Chevrolet Ltd is still the most advantageous quote at $36,733. Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration to approve a Performance Contracting Agreement with Siemens Industry, Inc. for a turn-key solution to implement capital intensive improvements utilizing energy, operational savings and increased revenue to offset the cost of improvements, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (This item was approved on November 7, 2017 pending review; Staffed by City Manager's Office.)

Juan E. Gonzalez, City Attorney, stated all points of concerns were discussed with Siemens' legal counsel and have been satisfied by the removal of any arbitration clause. The City Manager recommended approval with the condition of the incorporation of the third-party review received and other legal changes as noted by the City Attorney.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve a Performance Contracting Agreement with Siemens Industry, Inc. with the condition of the incorporation of the third-party review comments and other legal changes as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration on request from Texas Taxi, Inc. to allow RGV Yellow Cab to operate taxi services within the City of Weslaco. Possible action. (Requested by Texas Taxi, Inc.)

The City Manager recommended to allow five (5) taxi cabs to operate in the City complying with all local permits with a fee of $250 for each permit. Mr. Joe Garcia, on behalf of Texas Taxi, stated the company has over 2,600 cabs across Texas and are ready to offer dispatch and fare services in Weslaco.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve five (5) taxi cabs to operate in the City complying with all local permits. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration to name a private street located within Apostolic Assembly Church Subdivision to West Apostolic Drive. Possible action. (Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement.)

Mardoqueo Hinojosa, City Engineer/Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, stated Apostolic Assembly Church requests to relabel a common access easement as a private street to be known as West Apostolic Drive. Staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve to name the common access easement located within Apostolic Assembly Church Subdivision to West Apostolic Drive as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration to approve Mid Valley Airport Ground Lease Agreements, with a reversion clause, for the following Hangars: 1) Tenant Terry Barbee, D/B/A WTB Trading Company, for Hangar W-14; 2) Tenant Bud Payne, D/B/A Payne Dealer Group Management Co., Inc., for Hangar W-09; and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Airport.)

Andrew Munoz, Aviation Director, recommended approval for a seven-year lease for hangers located on the west side with the terms of a rate $0.22 per square foot; there is a revision clause and a 3% CPI cap.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve Mid Valley Airport Ground Lease Agreements, with a reversion clause, for Tenant Terry Barbee, D/B/A WTB Trading Company, for Hangar W-14 and Tenant Bud Payne, D/B/A Payne Dealer Group Management Co., Inc., for Hangar W-09 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

D. Discussion and consideration to approve Mid Valley Airport Hangar Lease Agreement with Jeremy Reily D/B/A Rio Aviation, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Airport.)

Andrew Muñoz recommended approval stating this was a City-owned hanger, $750 monthly lease for two-years with a two-year renewal option.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve Mid Valley Airport Hangar Lease Agreement with Jeremy Reily D/B/A Rio Aviation, as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Discussion and consideration on the purchase of a Ford-250 4x4 gas engine vehicle at a cost of $38,000 and a Chevrolet Tahoe 2x4 vehicle at a cost of $50,000 under the Fire Department Apparatus Replacement Program 2017-2018 budget and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, stated this was the ongoing replacement of aging equipment through the Fire Department Apparatus Replacement Program. The vehicles include all graphics and communications. Staff recommends approval.

In response to Mayor Suarez and Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, monies are within budget of the collected revenues of 25% and delivery of the vehicles would be within 120-days of placing the order.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to approve purchase of a Ford-250 4x4 gas engine vehicle at a cost of $38,000 and a Chevrolet Tahoe 2x4 vehicle at a cost of $50,000 under the Fire Department Apparatus Replacement Program 2017-2018 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of a network data storage appliance using a State of Texas DIR contract in an amount not to exceed $30,000.00 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by IT Department.)

Jose Pena, IT Director, recommended approval to expand the existing data storage using the existing vendor as the most advantageous for the City. Monies are budgeted.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve purchase of a network data storage appliance using a State of Texas DIR contract in an amount not to exceed $30,000.00 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

G. Discussion and consideration to schedule workshops of the Commission. Possible action. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)

The City Manager stated previous discussion with the Commission was to have workshops for drainage and streets as well with the School Board and Planning and Zoning Commission. The recommendation was to meet on an off Tuesday or Wednesday.

Commissioner Pedraza, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve November 28 with the Planning and Zoning Commission and December 6 and 12 coordinating either dates with School Board as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration to enter into a commercial card agreement with BBVA Compass Bank and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Finance Department.)

Mary Barrera, Finance Director, stated a program available through the depository contract would replace check writing with credit card payments to vendors. It offers a revenue share that rebates to the City; estimated yearly revenue could be $58,000. Staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve a commercial card agreement with BBVA Compass Bank as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VII. REPORTS

A. Quarterly Investment Report by Finance Department. Possible action to accept and file.

Mary Barrera presented the Quarterly Investment report ending September 30, 2017 showing deposits totaled approximately $13,012,000 with return on investment averaging 0.36%, which is lower from previous quarters because markets are down. Interest earned year to date is $113,125. The report is in full compliance with the investment policy; she recommends approval to accept and file.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to accept and file the Quarterly Investment Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Report by Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce.

Doug Croft, Chamber CEO, reported on September and October advertising activity, including a new brochure for the nature parks and an increase in visitors attributing that to the digital marketing.

C. Report by Economic Development Corporation of Weslaco.

Marie McDermott, Executive Director EDC, thanked the Commission on the reappointment of members. She reported construction to begin in January for the UTRGV Center for Innovation and Commercialization; the Alfresco event was well attended with 90 vendors participating and summary of 60 leads list translates into prospective 1,108 jobs.

D. Report by Severn Trent.

George Quilantan, Severn Trent, reported on the TCEQ compliance investigation on October 17, 2017, noting the water treatment plant had few findings already addressed: the liquid level indicator at Milano elevated storage tank was replaced; a containment wall was built around the 55-gallon drum at the water treatment plant; and ground maintenance is being done. All reporting records are acceptable and operators are current with their licenses with no compliance issues.

E. Report by Parks and Recreation Department.

David Arce reported Public Works completed walking trail at Isaac Rodriguez Park on the north side and canopies were installed. At Gibson Park, the basketball court has been resurfaced, new swings installed, Valley Nature Park rock sign and entrance sign completed as well as 1/4 mile trail. At Mayor Pablo Pena Park, a dedication plaque for Ruben Guajardo Jr and flashing crosswalk signs have been installed.

F. Report by Planning and Code Enforcement.

Mardoqueo Hinojosa reported the title report for the alley at Pat Cannon has been received and staff will be reviewing. Joe Pedraza reported on Operation Clean Sweep with drive through service for the first time and KTEX promoting the event. Volunteers worked the allies with staff assisting with the dilapidated structures; 86 tons of debris and 450 tires were collected.

G. Report by Public Works.

Pete Garcia, Public Works Director, reported the installation of a 24" pipe at Quail Hollow has been completed and 13 hydrants have been replaced.

H. Report by Police Department.

Chief Mayer presented the Data Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety study indicating a dramatic decrease in crime by every type.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:05 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved the regular meeting to convene in executive session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

At 8:41 p.m. Mayor Suarez announced 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 §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. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development opportunities and incentive programs related to Project Chicken Hatch "B" as authorized by §551.087 of The Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

D. Real Property - Consultation with City Attorney on the purchase, sale, exchange, lease or value of real property consisting of 36.63 acres more or less located on Midway Road as authorized by §551.072 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to authorize the City Manager to respond to offer as discussed in Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Economic Development - Consultation with City Attorney to establish a Termination Date for Hangar Inspections as authorized by §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

F. Economic Development - Consultation with City Attorney on Airport Property Development Project as authorized by §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

G. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development incentive programs related to Project PanAm as authorized by §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from vote and discussion and filed a conflicts disclosure statement.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to accept the amendment to the incentive program as discussed in Executive Session for Project PanAm. The motion carried; Commissioner Kerr abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development incentive programs related for retail development Project Ocean as authorized by §551.087 of The Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from discussion and filed a conflicts disclosure statement.

There was no action on this item.

I. Economic Development – Consultation with City Attorney regarding Economic Development incentive program related to Project Anchor as authorized by §551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr abstained from discussion and filed a conflicts disclosure statement.

There was no action on this item.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

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MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

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CITY SECRETARY, Elizabeth Walker

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MAYOR PRO-TEM, Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla

ABSENT
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COMMISSIONER, Leo Muñoz

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COMMISSIONER, Greg Kerr

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COMMISSIONER, Jose “J.P.” Rodriguez

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COMMISSIONER, Letty Lopez

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COMMISSIONER, Josh Pedraza