



**A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018**

On Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at 5:34 p.m. the City Commission of the City of Weslaco, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting at City Hall in the Legislative Chamber, located at 255 South Kansas Avenue with the following members present:

Mayor	David Suarez
Mayor Pro-Tem	Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla
Commissioner	Leo Muñoz
Commissioner	Greg Kerr
Commissioner	Jose “J.P.” 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; Rogelio Martinez, Information Technology; Tony Lopez, Fire Chief; Robert Lopez, Police Captain; Mardoqueo Hinojosa, Planning and Code Enforcement Director and City Engineer; David Arce, Parks and Recreation Director; Martin Mata, Assistant Library Director; and other staff members and citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Certification of Public Notice.

Mayor Suarez called the meeting to order and certified the public notice of the meeting as properly posted Friday, February 16, 2018.

B. Invocation.

Pastor Steven Wagenknecht, Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Flag.

D. Mayoral Recognition.

Mayor Suarez recognized National Donate Life Month 2018 in memory of Joaquin Phillip Ellis.

E. Roll Call.

Elizabeth Walker, City Secretary, called the roll, noting perfect attendance and a quorum present.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz, moved to open the public hearing concurrently at 5:40 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

A. To solicit input on behalf of John Gunstream, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 623 W. Business Highway 83 also being Lot 5, Farm Tract 1507 West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

There were no comments received from the public.

B. To solicit input on behalf of John Gunstream, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 1302 N. Texas Boulevard also being Lot 3, Block 1, Wal-Mart Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas.

There were no comments received from the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to close the public hearing at 5:42 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 6, 2018. (Staffed by City Secretary's Office.)

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

1) Ordinance 2018-05 approving a four-way stop at the intersection of Frost Proof Drive and N. Trace Drive and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (First Reading of Ordinance 2018-05 was held February 6, 2018; Staffed by Planning and Code Enforcement.)

C. Approval of Resolution 2018-24 authorizing an application for the 2018-2019 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) to purchase a drone capable of fire infrared for structure firefighting, search and rescue operations, and Hazard Materials Response in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00 with no local match required and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

D. Approval of the renewal of the Advanced Education Consultant agreement with Armando A. Martinez for the Weslaco Fire Department Education program. (Staffed by Fire Department.)

E. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with University of Texas Rio Grande Valley for CERT training at UTRGV and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Fire Department.)

F. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of South Padre Island to provide Mobile Intensive Care Unit Ambulances March 15-17, 2018 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

G. Approval of a Mid Valley Airport Hangar Lease Agreement with Paula Pesavento, Hangar E-4, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Airport.)

H. Approval of a Mid Valley Airport Ground Lease Agreements with Tenant John Garric, for Hangars W-23, W-27 and W-33 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Airport.)

I. Authorization to terminate a Mid Valley Ground Lease Agreement with Tenant Terry Barbee for Hangar W-21 and to approve a Mid Valley Airport Ground Lease Agreement with Tenant Debora Kay Reilly for Hangar W-21 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Airport.)

J. Approval to purchase nine (9) Police Ford Explorers at a cost of \$475,435.03 from Buy Board Vendors Caldwell Country Ford/Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Police Department.)

K. Approval of the 6-month extension for Pleasant View Village Subdivision, being a 8.55 acres tract out of Farm Tract 709, Block 136, West and Adams Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas located along the East right-of-way of Pleasant Village Drive and about 1250 feet South of the U.S. Business Highway 83. (Staffed by the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

L. Authorization to place a banner across Texas Boulevard and across Westgate Avenue on behalf of the Weslaco Independent School District to promote Pre-K enrollment mid-March through mid-April and mid-July through mid-August 2018 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents that may be required by the Texas Department of Transportation. (Requested by Weslaco independent School District.)

M. Acceptance of the 2017 Racial Profiling Report compiled by the Weslaco Police Department as required by the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.132.2. (Staffed by Police Department.)

Commissioner Kerr, second by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve consent agenda as presented withholding agenda items C, F, J and L. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Approval of Resolution 2018-24 authorizing an application for the 2018-2019 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) to purchase a drone capable of fire infrared for structure firefighting, search and rescue operations, and Hazard Materials Response in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00 with no local match required and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, requests to apply for a grant to purchase a drone that offers more stability and a variety of other uses, including capability of operating in inclement weather.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, moved to approve Resolution 2018-24 authorizing an application for the 2018-2019 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) to purchase a drone. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of South Padre Island to provide Mobile Intensive Care Unit Ambulances March 15-17, 2018 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to discuss.

Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, stated this service would entail 12 hours each for 3 days as an overtime detail; South Padre Island would pay \$10,000 plus costs for fuel, supplies and meals. The Chief stated cost was estimated at the rate of a Lieutenant Paramedic at time and half and includes travel time.

In response to Commissioner Rodriguez, City staff would be in a fixed secure location with DPS Trooper assistance available. Mayor Suarez noted the cost of fringe benefits was not included.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to table the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of South Padre Island to provide Mobile Intensive Care Unit Ambulances March 15-17, 2018. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

J. Approval to purchase nine (9) Police Ford Explorers at a cost of \$475,435.03 from Buy Board Vendors Caldwell Country Ford/Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by the Police Department.)

The City Manager recommended approval stating a budget amendment would be needed.

In response to Commissioner Muñoz, the necessary equipment for the vehicles will be installed by the vendor as a turn-key deliverable; these replace 2012 Tahoe that will be inventoried for auction.

Commissioner Lopez, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, moved to approve the purchase of nine (9) Police Ford Explorers at a cost of \$475,435.03 from Buy Board Vendors Caldwell Country Ford/Fleet Safety Equipment, Inc. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

L. Authorization to place a banner across Texas Boulevard and across Westgate Avenue on behalf of the Weslaco Independent School District to promote Pre-K enrollment mid-March through mid-April and mid-July through mid-August 2018 and authorize the Mayor to execute any

related documents that may be required by the Texas Department of Transportation. (Requested by Weslaco independent School District.)

Commissioner Kerr abstained from discussion and vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to approve to place a banner across Texas Boulevard and across Westgate Avenue on behalf of the Weslaco Independent School District to promote Pre-K enrollment mid-March through mid-April and mid-July through mid-August 2018 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents that may be required by the Texas Department of Transportation. The motion carried with Commissioner Kerr abstaining; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following is the ordinance and the resolution.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-05

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTION 27-57 UNIFORMITY; OFFICIAL DEVICES OF THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCE OF CITY OF WESLACO TO INSTALL A FOUR WAY STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF FROST PROOF AND N TRACE DRIVE.

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

SECTION I: Section 27-57 Uniformity Official Devices of the traffic Ordinance of the City of Weslaco, all signs and signals required under this chapter for a particular purpose shall, so far as practicable, be uniform as to type and location throughout the city. All traffic-control devices so erected and not inconsistent with the provisions of state law or this chapter shall be official traffic control devices: To install a four way stop signs at the intersection of Frost Proof and N. Trace Drive.

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

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission this 6th day of February 2018.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission this 20th day of February 2018.

RESOLUTION 2018-24

WHEREAS, The City of Weslaco finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas, that the 2018 State Homeland Security Program Grant be operated for the 2018 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, The City of Weslaco agrees to provide matching funds for the said project as required by the FY2018 HS-Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) grant application; and

WHEREAS, The City of Weslaco agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The City of Weslaco assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

WHEREAS, The City of Weslaco designates Mayor David Suarez as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The City of Weslaco approves submission of the grant application for the 2018 State Homeland Security Program Grant to the Office of the Governor.

Passed and approved this 20th day of February, 2018.

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. APPOINTMENTS

A. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2018-04 appointing one member to expired term on the Ambulance Advisory Board and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Fire Department.)

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Pedraza, moved to approve Resolution 2018-04 appointing Patrick Gonzalez to an expired term on the Ambulance Advisory Board. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following is the resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE AMBULANCE ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco has established the Ambulance Advisory Board pursuant to Section 14-1(A) of Ordinance No. 78-39; and

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

WHEREAS, the Ambulance Advisory Board members shall serve without compensation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Patrick Gonzalez is appointed to serve on the Ambulance Advisory Board and the term will begin on March 15, 2018 and will expire on March 15, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of February 2018.

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 2018-05 appointing one member to an expired term on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Parks and Recreation Department.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve Resolution 2018-05 re-appointing Ismael Quiroz to an expired term on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, following is the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD.

WHEREAS, the City of Weslaco has established the Parks & Recreation Board pursuant to Section 98-83 of the Weslaco Municipal Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the members of this board are for three years; however, following the restructuring of this Board to consist of seven members, certain terms shall be assigned for two years so that terms are staggered such that no quorum of members expires simultaneously; and

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Board members shall serve without compensation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Ismael Quiroz is appointed to serve an unexpired term on the Parks & Recreation Board and the term will begin on March 5, 2018 and end on March 5, 2021

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of February 2018.

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 accept the resignation of Joel Nava from the Weslaco 100 Committee and approve Resolution 2018-25 appointing one member to that unexpired term and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Museum.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to accept the resignation of Joel Nava from the Weslaco 100 Committee and approve Resolution 2018-25 appointing Alex Livas to that unexpired term. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

For the record, the following is the resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WESLACO 100 COMMITTEE TO PREPARE WESLACO'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND STRATEGIC PLAN

WHEREAS, The City of Weslaco, Texas, founded 1919, will celebrate its centennial in 2019, and anticipates programs and activities befitting the occasion; and

WHEREAS, This Commission finds merit in establishing an ad hoc citizen's committee to solicit suggestions, make recommendations, and encourage participation toward the planning and facilitating of such programs and activities; and

WHEREAS, After public meetings, all recommendations are required to be submitted to the Weslaco City Commission for approval; and

WHEREAS, The Committee shall concurrently consider issues for the strategic growth of the City over the next 100 years, including planning/sustainable development, governance, health, transportation, education, economic development, public safety, parks, information technology, and housing; and

WHEREAS, there shall be sixteen (16) members in the Weslaco 100 Committee who shall be appointed by the Weslaco City Commission and shall be resident citizens of the City of Weslaco. The term for each Committee member shall be for three (3) years and may be eligible for reappointment;

WHEREAS, The Weslaco 100 Committee members shall serve without compensation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS THAT Alex Livas is appointed to serve on the Weslaco 100 Committee and the term will begin on February 21, 2018 and will expire on April 19, 2019.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 20th day of February 2018.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

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

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

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of John Gunstream to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 623 W. Business Highway 83 also being Lot 5, Farm Tract 1507 West Tract Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas. Possible action. (Staffed by the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Mardoqueo Hinojosa, City Engineer/Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, stated nine property owners were notified and no objection received. The applicant, the new owner of an existing Pizza Hut, is requesting a wine and beer retailers on premise permit located on Business 83. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommend approval.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 623 W. Business Highway 83. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration after public hearing on behalf of John Gunstream to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 1302 N. Texas Boulevard also being Lot 3, Block 1, Wal-Mart Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas. Possible action. (Staffed by the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Mardoqueo Hinojosa, City Engineer/Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, stated thirteen property owners were notified and no objection received. The applicant, the new owner of an existing Pizza Hut, is requesting a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 1302 N. Texas Boulevard. The Planning and Zoning Commission and staff recommend approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to approve a Conditional Use Permit to obtain a Wine and Beer Retailers On-Premise Permit at 1302 N. Texas Boulevard. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2018-07, amending Ordinance 200 and Ordinance 1998-09, Codified as Chapter 134 - Traffic Ordinance, adopting new regulations and ordaining other matters with respect to the subject matter hereof and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First reading of Ordinance 2018-07. Possible action. (Staffed by the Planning and Code Enforcement Department.)

Mardoqueo Hinojosa stated the amendments define each type of truck vehicle such as box truck and gooseneck trailers. Clearer exceptions account for bus routes, city vehicles and emergency vehicles. If the violation is on public street, it will be enforced by Police Department; if on personal property, Code Enforcement will address. Trucks equivalent to an F-450 or above would not be permitted in residential areas but travel trailers are permitted on driveways. Staff recommends approval.

Though there were discussions several years ago of a 5-acre tract of land for designated parking in the Industrial Park, Mike Perez, City Manager, stated no other City provides parking accommodations; Mayor Suarez instructed the City Manager to coordinate with the Economic Development Corporation regarding the availability of land for oversized vehicles.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve Ordinance 2018-07, amending Ordinance 200 and Ordinance 1998-09, Codified as Chapter 134 - Traffic Ordinance, adopting new regulations and ordaining other matters with respect to the subject matter. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

D. Discussion and consideration to approve an interlocal agreement with the Weslaco Independent School District for the paving of certain school parking lots and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Requested by Weslaco Independent School District.)

The City Manager recommended no action; no document has been received from the School District for consideration and review.

E. Discussion and consideration on City Cemetery burial requirements. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

David Arce, Parks Director, stated staff is seeking guidelines for burials at City Cemetery. He suggests proof of ownership such as a City-issued receipt or deed before entry. Mayor Suarez requested staff to bring recommendations of procedures within 30-days and if necessary schedule a workshop.

There was no action as the item was for discussion only.

F. Discussion and consideration to submit a Letter of Application to the Department of Customs and Border Protection for additional inspection services at the Mid Valley Airport Customs Facility and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Airport.)

Andrew Muñoz, Aviation Director, stated current hours of operation for inspection services are Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.; however, jet service and international flights are increasing as tenants are returning. Staff recommends participating in the Reimbursable Services Program that will allow extended coverage services. Staff would bring back a final agreement with Customs and Border Protection for additional inspection services; likely Customs would recommend two agents at a cost of \$350.00 per hour that would be reimbursed under the program. Additionally, the City has requested funding from EDC for costs associated in offering extended services (jet) and extended hours of operation.

In response to Commissioner Muñoz; the City is not capturing the fuel revenue and landing fees.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to authorize submission of a Letter of Application to the Department of Customs and Border Protection for additional inspection services at the Mid Valley Airport Customs Facility. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

G. Discussion and consideration to approve the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Proposed Street Improvement Project and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Approved the top five on December 19, 2017; Staffed by Public Works.)

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to discuss.

The City Manager presented a revised street improvement list based on his personal evaluation following previous discussion. The top five streets already are scheduled for improvement this year are being done; there is \$240,000.00 remaining available funds. In response to Commissioner Muñoz, funds would be exhausted by August and the cost for streets 1 through 13 would be about \$434,000. The City Manager stated the Commission preserved the right to prioritize differently streets 6 through 16.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to proceed with Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Proposed Street Improvement Project streets 1 through 13 as presented. The motion carried unanimously Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration to award the rehabilitation/repair of manholes based on Request For Bids No. 2017-18-06 to the most advantageous bidder, O.M.T. Utilities, in the

combined cost not to exceed \$71,150.00, authorize a budget amendment as appropriate, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works.)

Pete Garcia, Public Works Director, stated sealed bids were solicited for repair of four manholes. Three bids were received and evaluated. Staff recommends awarding respondent O.M.T. Utilities as the lowest bidder for a project cost of \$71,150.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to approve and award the rehabilitation/repair of manholes to the most advantageous bidder, O.M.T. Utilities, in the combined cost not to exceed \$71,150.00, The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

I. Discussion and consideration to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Montalvo Insurance Agency for Loss Control and Risk Management Services related to Workers Compensation and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Human Resources.)

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, moved to approve.

The City Manager stated the agreement with Montalvo Insurance was for on-site safety inspection; cost for these professional services were reduced from \$40,000 to \$27,000 annually. Staff recommends approval as the City benefits from third-party involvement, evidenced by the modifier dropping to .84. Juan E. Gonzalez, City Attorney, recommended to add venue and indemnification language to the agreement.

Commissioner Kerr, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to amend the motion subject to City Attorney's recommended changes and approval. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

The original motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:46 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz, moved to convene the regular meeting in Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

At 7:41 p.m. Mayor Suarez announced 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 §551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

B. Personnel - Discussion with the City Manager regarding the Police Chief applicants and develop a short-list as authorized by §551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

C. Legal Consultation - Seek City Attorney opinion relating to the mediation with CDM as authorized by §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

There was no action on this item.

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

Commissioners Kerr and Muñoz abstained from discussion and vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Lopez, moved to authorize execution of an incentive program agreement with Tri-Gen Construction LLC and any other documents related to Project Saddle. The motion carried with Commissioners Kerr and Muñoz abstaining; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Real Property - Consultation with City Attorney on Airport Property Development as authorized by Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr, second by Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, moved to authorize the City Attorney to initiate eviction proceedings against tenants that have not signed lease agreements by March 30, 2018. The motion carried unanimously Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Muñoz moved to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY, Elizabeth Walker

MAYOR PRO-TEM, Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla

COMMISSIONER, Leo Muñoz

COMMISSIONER, Greg Kerr

COMMISSIONER, Jose “J.P.” Rodriguez

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