



**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 10, 2023**

On Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. the City Commission of the City of Weslaco, Texas convened in a Special Meeting at City Hall in the Legislative Chamber, located at 255 South Kansas Avenue with the following member's present:

PRESENT:	Mayor	David Suarez
	Mayor Pro Tem	JP Rodriguez
	Commissioner	Josh Pedraza
	Commissioner	Letty Lopez
	Commissioner	Israel Gonzalez Jr.
	Commissioner	Greg Kerr
	Commissioner	Adrian Farias

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT:	Martin Garza	City Manager
	Norma A. Cantu	City Secretary
	Juan E. Gonzalez Jr.	City Attorney

Also present: Aida Vega, Deputy City Secretary, Rosie Cavazos, Finance Director, Rebekah de la Fuente, Director of Planning and Code Enforcement, Joe Pedraza, Asst. Planning and Code Enforcement Director, Arnold Becho, Library Director, Luz Galindo, HR Director, Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, Joel Rivera, Police Chief, David Arce, Public Works Director, Albert Aldana, City Engineer, Rosa Badillo, Court Coordinator, 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, October 6, 2023.

B. Invocation.

Pastor David McCann, First Baptist Church led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance.

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

D. Roll Call.

Norma A. Cantu, City Secretary, called the roll noting perfect attendance and a quorum present.

E. Mayoral recognition.

1) Proclamation - South Texas Vocational Technical Institute Day.

Mayor Suarez proclaimed South Texas Vocational Technical Institute Day celebrating 50 Years of Excellence.

2) Proclamation - Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Mayor Suarez proclaimed October 2023 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joel Rivera, Police Chief, stated the police department will open at the new building on Friday, October 13, thanked IT staff and all the departments for the assistance; extended an invitation to the public and the commission for the Grand Opening of the Weslaco Public Safety Building on Monday, October 16, 2023 at 10am.

III. PRESENTATION

A. Presentation by Weslaco ISD.

Weslaco ISD Superintendent, Dr. Rivera, reported on the upcoming School Bond Election; went over Proposition A was school improvements for \$160,000,000, Proposition B was for Fine Arts for \$10,000,000 and Proposition C for Athletics \$10,000,000; presented the cost affect the bond issuance would have on homeowners' property taxes and noted the propositions would be to the voters on the General Election of November 7, 2023.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and the Governing Body has been furnished with background and support material on each item and will be acted by one motion. Any Commissioner may remove items from the consent agenda by making such request prior to a motion and voting on the Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 19, 2023 (Staffed by City Secretary Department.)

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

1) Ordinance 2023-44 to rezone 309 and 313 W 5th St. also being Lot 14-16, Block 39, Weslaco Original Townsite, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-1 One-Family Dwelling District to R-2 Duplex and Apartment District and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (First reading held September 19, 2023; staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

2) Ordinance 2023-45 to rezone 1611 N Westgate Dr. also being N100.10'-S142.60', 0.414-acre Blk B, Expressway Heights Subdivision, Weslaco, Hidalgo County, Texas from R-1 One-Family Dwelling District to B-2 Secondary Highway Business District and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (First reading held September 19, 2023; staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

3) Ordinance 2023-46 for the Voluntary Annexation of Monte Cielo Subdivision—being a 46.41-acre tract of land out of Farm Tract 214, West Tract Subdivision, Hidalgo County, Texas located approximately 1,700 ft South of Mile 10N on the east side of Mile 6 ½ West Road and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (First reading held September 19, 2023; staffed by Planning & Code Enforcement Department.)

C. Approval on the renewal of a Public Purposes Services Contract with the Boys and Girl Club of Weslaco in the amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the public purpose's services and activities in this contract, effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

D. Approval of Special Services Agreement on Hotel/Motel Room Occupancy tax proceeds between City of Weslaco and the following:

1) Weslaco Chamber of Commerce for \$276,510;
2) Frontera Audubon Society for \$44,000; and
3) Lower Rio Grande Valley Nature Center for \$72,322
and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

E. Approval on the renewal of a Public Purposes Services Contract with Weslaco Bicultural Museum, d.b.a. Weslaco Museum of Local History and Cultural Art in an amount not to exceed \$90,000 effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

F. Approval of the request from Weslaco Museum to hold their annual PAN DE CAMPO Fundraiser on November 4 from 6:30 pm to 10:00 pm; approval to close 5th Street between Texas Blvd and Missouri Ave.; authorizing public consumption of alcoholic beverages; waive of appropriate fees from ordinances associated with the event; also approval of use of tower lights, and provision of support from Weslaco PD, Public Works, Planning and Code Enforcement and other related city departments, and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by City Manager.)

G. Approval to allow Honorably Retired Peace Officer Felix Salinas to purchase his service weapon, a Glock Gen 4 with engraving "WESLACO PD" Model 22, caliber .40 with serial #WXN021 for an amount of \$255 as allowed under Texas Government Code Section 614.051 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Police Department.)

H. Approval to ratify acceptance of the Victims of Crime Act Formula Grant #3814605 for the amount of \$126,965.23 to pay for the Crime Victim's Coordinator salary, training, software, shelter, and business cards/flyers and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Police Department.)

I. Approval to ratify acceptance of the FY2024 Truancy Prevention and Intervention Program Grant #4003404 for the amount of \$100,575.93 for the First Offender Program Coordinator's salary, overtime for peace officers, training and project supplies and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Police Department.)

J. Approval to ratify acceptance of SHPS-R grant 4736001 for the amount of \$19,642.27 with NO MATCH and NO RECURRING COST for the purpose of AMBUS Communication Equipment and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. (Staffed by Fire Department/Grant Writer.)

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

Following for the record are captions of the ordinance(s).

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-44

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02 AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WESLACO TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF REZONE 309 AND 313 W 5TH ST. ALSO BEING LOT 14-16, BLOCK 39, WESLACO ORIGINAL TOWNSITE SUBDIVISION, WESLACO HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS. FROM R-1 ONE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO R-2 DUPLEX AND APARTMENT DISTRICT BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-45

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02 AND AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WESLACO TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF REZONE 1611 N WESTGATE DR. ALSO BEING N100.10'-S142.60', 0.414 ACRE BLK B, EXPRESSWAY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, WESLACO HIDALGO COUNTY, R-1 ONE FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT TO B-2 SECONDARY AND HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-46

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING ADDITIONAL TERRITORY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WESLACO, HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS ON VOLUNTARY PETITION OF AREA LAND OWNER SUCH LAND BEING 46.41 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED IN HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH IS CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY LIMITS AND HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED; AS SHOWN IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT; MAKING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR OPEN MEETINGS AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Commission this 19th day of September, 2023.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading at a special meeting of the City Commission this 10th day of October 2023.

CITY OF WESLACO
/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

ATTEST:
/s/Norma A. Cantu, CITY SECRETARY

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion and consideration to approve Resolution 2023-55 nominating Joe Olivarez to the Hidalgo County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2024-2025 election

and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to approve Resolution 2023-55 nominating Joe Olivarez to the Hidalgo County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the 2024-2025 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

B. Discussion and consideration on the City of Weslaco Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Study Phase II Water Conservation Plan and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Manager.)

Martin Garza, City Manager, stated an ordinance in place states once reservoirs are less than 25% capacity Stage 2 of Water Conservation Plan is implemented and Joe Pedraza would address the next steps of our water conservation plan.

Joe Pedraza, Assistant Planning and Code Enforcement Director, stated a drought contingency plan required by the state was adopted June 2009; three stages are outlined in the plan and the city would be implementing Stage 2 which mandates implementation of time and dates of water usage (e.g. irrigation, watering, car washing). Staff would monitor runoff of water to parking lots and streets.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and Mayor Suarez, code enforcement staff will be assigned in the evenings to monitor for any violations and give warnings before citations issued; work with Public Relations Office to distribute flyer on social media and water bill to inform the residents.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to approve Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Study Phase II Water Conservation Plan as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. Discussion and consideration on the Election Services Contract with Hidalgo County Elections Department to conduct the General Election of November 7, 2023 pursuant to Texas Election Code Chapter 271 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Secretary Department.)

Norma A. Cantu, City Secretary, recommended approval of the Election Services Contract with Hidalgo County Elections Department to conduct the General Election of November 7, 2023

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve the Election Services Contract with Hidalgo County Elections Department to conduct the General Election of November 7, 2023 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

D. Discussion and consideration to purchase from Silsbee Toyota, Buyboard Vendor Contract 601-19 a 2023 Sienna LE Van for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by City Secretary Department.)

Commissioner Farias abstained from discussion and vote.

Norma A. Cantu recommended approval and the purchase was budgeted.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner moved to approve the purchase from Silsbee Toyota, Buyboard Vendor Contract 601-19 a 2023 Sienna LE Van for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 as presented. The motion carried; Commissioner Farias abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

E. Discussion and consideration on Resolution 2023-56 to adopt the annual Investment Policy for the City of Weslaco and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Rosie Cavazos, Finance Director, stated the Investment Policy required annual review and adoption; was adopted on May 2, 2023 but wishes to adopt in October to run parallel with the fiscal year. Staff recommended approval and there were no changes to the structure of the investment policy being presented.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Resolution 2023-56 to adopt the annual Investment Policy as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

F. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2023-47 adopting a final budget amendment to the General fund and Water/Wastewater, Solid Waste, Airport and other funds presented and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. First and final reading of Ordinance 2023-47 Possible action. (Staffed by Finance Department.)

Rosie Cavazos presented the end of year budget amendments and detail listing for the major funds; reported the impact of the budget amendments on the major funds was General Fund \$-602,604, Water/Wastewater \$454,910, Solid Waste \$-247,341 and Airport Fund \$-136,969. Staff recommended approval of the end of the year budget amendments that represent a balanced budget to close the FY2022-23 budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve on first and final reading Ordinance 2023-47 adopting a final budget amendment to the General fund and Water/Wastewater, Solid Waste, Airport and other funds presented as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

Following for the record is the ordinance caption.

ORDINANCE 2023-47

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2022-33, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 2023-21, APPROVING AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WESLACO, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2022 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023, FINDING NEED TO AMEND THE 2022-2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET; TO WIT; GENERAL FUND, WATER FUND; WASTEWATER FUND; SOLID WASTE FUND; AIRPORT FUND; AND FIRE DEPT REPLACEMENT FUND AS PER ATTACHMENTS "A" "B" AND "C" PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBJECT MATTER HEREOF.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first and final reading at a special meeting of the City Commission this 10TH day of October 2023.

CITY OF WESLACO

/s/David Suarez, MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/Norma A. Cantu, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/Juan E. Gonzalez, CITY ATTORNEY

G. Discussion and consideration of the request from TRI-GEN Construction for Change Order No. 3 for the New Downtown Fire Station No. 2 project to extend their contract 90 days and establish September 21, 2023 as their substantial completion date and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks & Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez, Parks & Recreation Director, stated the Change Order was a no cost change order; allows a contract extension of 90 days as well as a new substantial completion date of September 21, 2023. Staff recommended approval.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve Change Order No. 3 for the New Downtown Fire Station No. 2 for TRI-GEN Construction to extend their contract 90 days and establish September 21, 2023 as their substantial completion date as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

H. Discussion and consideration of the request from Gerlach Builders for Change Order No. 3 for the New Police Department with Municipal Court and Judicial Court project to extend their contract 90 days and establish September 30, 2023 as their substantial completion and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks & Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez recommended approval and stated it is similar to the previous item approved; extends the contract by 90 days and established September 30, 2023 as a substantial completion date of the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Change Order No. 3 for the New Police Department with Municipal Court and Judicial Court project for Gerlach Builders to extend their contract 90 days and establish September 30, 2023 as their substantial completion as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

I. Discussion and consideration on the Interlocal Agreement between Hidalgo County and the City of Weslaco for the development of the Precinct 1 Hike and Bike Trail and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Parks and Recreation Department.)

Omar Rodriguez stated the interlocal will establish a hike and bike trail that will connect Weslaco westward towards Donna; the full trail will extend to San Juan; Hidalgo County Precinct 1 requested to connect Harlon Block Park on the north boundary near the water tower to the precinct's new trail along the canal right-of-way going towards Westgate. Staff recommended approval.

County Commissioner Precinct 1, David Fuentes, stated the city's participation would be to allow the county to have the access point for the connection of the hike and bike trail; funds are coming from the American Rescue Plan; the city would be responsible for maintenance of the portion that connects the trail and no other costs of the project to the city; stated the hike and bike trail will be through different portions of existing right-of-way of the south side and the southern portions of communities; Phase I is a 2 Mile portion for Weslaco and construction should begin by the end of the year; once all phases are completed the trail will connect eventually to the western part of Hidalgo County and northern part of Edinburg.

Commissioner Farias seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Hidalgo County and the City of Weslaco for the development of the Precinct 1 Hike and Bike Trail as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

J. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of a 2023 ambulance remount from vendor Southwest Ambulance Sales HGAC Contract No. AM 10-20 for an amount not to exceed \$162,980 under General Fund and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Fire Department.)

Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, stated the ambulance would be a remount of Medic 4 that has reached life expectancy of over five years; the chassis will be remounted to a 2023 truck; this is a cost savings for the department to refurb ambulances with a new chassis and is budgeted.

In response to Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez and Commissioner Pedraza; a new ambulance takes 12-15 months delivery; the chassis is available, and ambulance should be running by December; this ambulance will supplement two that are already in service.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve the purchase of a 2023 ambulance remount from vendor Southwest Ambulance Sales HGAC Contract No. AM 10-20 for an amount not to exceed \$162,980 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

K. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of a Spartan Rescue Pumper through Metro Fire Apparatus Specialist BuyBoard Contract # 651-21 at a cost not to exceed the amount of \$1,582,819.00 out of the Fire Department Apparatus Replacement Program and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Fire Department.)

Commissioner Farias abstained from discussion and vote.

Antonio Lopez, Fire Chief, stated the turnaround-built time for the truck is 24-28 months; is a fully customized truck that is being ordered for that delivery date to be prepared for the future growth of the city. Staff recommended approval.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve the purchase of a Spartan Rescue Pumper through Metro Fire Apparatus Specialist BuyBoard Contract # 651-21 at a cost not to exceed the amount of \$1,582,819.00 as presented. The motion carried; Commissioner Farias abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

L. Discussion and consideration of approval of Castle Enterprises, LLC pay application #8 in the amount of \$95,528.66 and final payment application in the amount of \$74,058.05 for the New Fire and Police Stations Off-Site Improvements project and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Engineering Department.)

Albert Aldana, City Engineer, recommended approval of the final payment in the amount of \$74,058.70 and release of retainage in the amount of 95,528.66; J&M Construction assumed the completion of the off-site improvements for Castle Construction and project is completed. Staff recommended approval for a total payment amount of \$169,587.36.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve Castle Enterprises, LLC pay application #8 in the amount of \$95,528.66 and final payment application in the amount of \$74,058.70 for the New Fire and Police Stations Off-Site Improvements project as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

M. Discussion and consideration to authorize the purchase of a 2025 Freightliner 180SD Plus Roll Off Truck from Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC., Buyboard Vendor Contract No. 601-19, in the amount not to exceed \$197,686 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

Commissioner Farias abstained from discussion and vote.

David Arce, Public Works Director, stated the truck would be used daily for the solid waste division as well as in the recycling program; equipment is budgeted with funds also coming from Weslaco EDC. Staff recommended approval and stated delivery date is August 2024.

Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to approve the purchase of a 2025 Freightliner 180SD Plus Roll Off Truck from Doggett Freightliner of South Texas, LLC., Buyboard Vendor Contract No. 601-19, in the amount not to exceed \$197,686 as presented. The motion carried; Commissioner Farias abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

N. Discussion and consideration to purchase a New 544 P wheel loader from Sourcewell contract # 032119-JDC Co-op vendor Doggett Heavy Machinery Services for an amount not to exceed \$214,908 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

David Arce recommended approval on the purchase of a new John Deere 544P wheel front loader from Doggett Heavy Machinery in the amount of \$214,908; will have a 3-year extended warranty; meets all specs requested and primarily will be used for paving and is budgeted.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve the purchase of a New 544 P wheel loader from Sourcewell contract # 032119-JDC Co-op vendor Doggett Heavy Machinery Services for an amount not to exceed \$214,908 as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

O. Discussion and consideration to purchase a new 2023 GMC 1500 Sierra from Buyboard 601-19 vendor Gunn Buick-GMC, LTD for an amount not to exceed \$52,322.25, and

authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

Commissioner Farias abstained from discussion and vote.

David Arce recommended approval to purchase a new 1500 GMC Sierra 4x4 pick-up from Gunn Auto Group in the amount to exceed \$52,322.25; truck is budgeted but over \$2,000 and overage will come from within the public works budget. The unit is for public works administration and delivery date is October 2023.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve the purchase of a new 2023 GMC 1500 4x4 Sierra pick -up from Buyboard 601-19 vendor Gunn Buick-GMC, LTD for an amount not to exceed \$52,322.25 as presented. The motion carried; Commissioner Farias abstained; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

P. Discussion and consideration to purchase a new Kubota MX5400HSTC utility cab tractor from Buyboard vendor Kubota Tractor Corporation (Eliff Motors) for an amount not to exceed \$46,497.15 and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by Public Works Department.)

David Arce requested no action and will present the item at the next regular meeting.

No action.

Q. Discussion and consideration to accept the Jurisdictional and Interagency support Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas College Police Department (STC PD) and Weslaco Police Department (WPD) and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Police Department.)

Joel Rivera, Police Chief, recommend approval; stated this will update the MOU in place that outlines the parties jurisdiction and responsibilities; legal has reviewed and approved.

Commissioner Lopez seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to approve and accept the Jurisdictional and Interagency support Memorandum of Understanding with South Texas College Police Department (STC PD) and Weslaco Police Department (WPD) as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

R. Discussion and consideration to accept the Addendum to Fugitive Task Force Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), regarding Body-Worn Camera use by Task Force Officers and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Staffed by the Police Department.)

Joel Rivera stated this was an addendum to the existing memorandum with the United States Marshals office that is on file; Weslaco PD has an investigator assigned to the US Marshal office Fugitive Task Force. Chief Rivera recommended approval of the agreement that outlines policy regarding body-worn camera that will be used by the assigned investigator and stated legal has reviewed and approved.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Lopez moved to approve and accept the Addendum to Fugitive Task Force Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), regarding Body-Worn Camera use by Task Force Officers as presented. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:38 p.m. Commissioner Pedraza seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez moved to convene the regular meeting in Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

At 8:03 p.m. Mayor Suarez stated the City Commission had completed its Executive Session and reconvened the regular meeting as open to the public.

VII. 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 administrative investigation of the complaint filed by a firefighter as authorized by section §551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

Commissioner Kerr seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to authorize the City Attorney and Special Counsel to investigate the complaint filed by the firefighter and prepare a report for the Fire Chief for consideration. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

C. 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.

D. Legal Consultation - Discussion regarding potential litigation regarding the construction of a driveway in adjoining commercial developments as authorized by Section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

E. Contract Negotiations – Discussion with the City Manager and City Attorney relating to the City’s rights, duties, privileges, and obligations in connection to the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Fire Union (IAFF-WFFA Local 3207) FY October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2025 as authorized by section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

No action.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Farias seconded by Commissioner Pedraza moved to adjourn the special meeting of October 10, 2023, at 8:04 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

David Suarez, **MAYOR**

ATTEST:

Norma A. Cantu, **CITY SECRETARY**