

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF MCALLEN**

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Monday, August 17, 2020**, at 4:00 pm at the City Commission Chambers (3rd) Floor with the following present:

Mayor Jim Darling, Mayor Pro Tem Whitacre, Commissioner Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Victor “Seby” Haddad

Absent: Commissioner Tania Ramirez

Staff: City Manager Roel Rodriguez, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, City Secretary Perla Lara, Budget Director Angie Rodriguez

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Darling called the meeting to order.

1. DISCUSSION OF FY 2020-2021 CITY OF MCALLEN BUDGET.

Staff gave a brief overview of the 2020-2021 budget for the department. The revenues and expenditures associated with the proposed budget were briefly reviewed.

Comments and concerns were expressed by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were asked relating to: 1) Debt Service, 2) Passenger Facility Charge and 3) Federal Funds. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

HIDALGO – ANZALDUAS BRIDGES

Staff gave an overview of the department’s proposed budget. Staff provided an overview of both facilities and reviewed goals and accomplishments.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised with respect to the following: 1) General Fund, 2) Hires, 3) Travelers, 4) Traffic and 5) Border. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

GOLF COURSE

Staff briefly discussed the department’s proposed budget and provided a presentation on the FY 2020-2021 proposed budget.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised with respect to the following: 1) Fleet Size, 2) Modifications, 3) Greens, 4) Tournaments and 5) Rounds / Play. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

PUBLIC WORKS

Staff briefly discussed the department’s proposed budget and provided a presentation on the FY 2020-2021 proposed budget. Staff describe the department’s recycling, trash, brush and other items. A presentation was also given on post hurricane Hanna and road cleaning.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

SIDEWALKS, STREETS & DRAINAGE

Staff reviewed the proposed FY 2020-2021 budget. The following working capital summary was reviewed:

- 8th North Camelia Avenue
- Balboa Acres Stormwater Infrastructure & Pump Station
- Balboa Ditch Sluice Gate Improvement
- Gardenia Avenue at 12th Street
- Main (North) Street at Jay Avenue
- Northwest McAllen/Edinburg Lateral
- Northwest BlueLine Hibiscus Tributary
- Quince Avenue at North 8th Street
- Sarah Avenue Bypass
- Torres Acres
- Trade Zone Pump Station Improvement

Discussion ensued and questions were raised with respect to the following: 1) Cost of Equipment, 2) Drainage Fees, 3) Curbside and 4) Alleys. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

OFFICE OF COMMUNICATION (MCN)

Staff briefly discussed the department's proposed budget and provided a presentation on the FY 2020-2021 proposed budget. Staff touched on the PEG Fund/Grants and discussed the City Commission Dais and explained that the PEG funds can be used for this type of project.

Discussion ensued and questions were raised as to: 1) Useful Life and 2) Brining Back Options. Additional comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS) AND SECTION 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT).

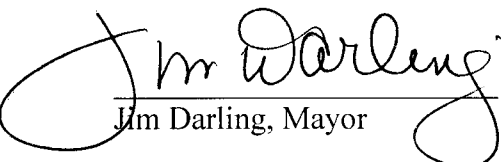
A) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)

Commissioner Javier Villalobos moved to authorize staff to proceed with planning for the project under the parameters as discussed in executive session. Commissioner Joaquin Zamora seconded the motion. The vote on the motion carried as follows:

AYES: Commissioner Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla
 NAYES: Commissioner "Seby" Haddad and Mayor Pro Tem Veronica Whitacre
 ABSTAINED: None
 ABSENT: Commissioner Tania Ramirez

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.


 Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest


 Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
 City Secretary