

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Monday, December 14, 2020** at 4:00 pm, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers, with the following present:

Mayor Jim Darling, Mayor Pro Tem Veronica Whitacre, Commissioner Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Tania Ramirez and Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad

Staff: City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera, City Engineer Yvette Barrera and City Secretary Perla Lara

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Darling called the meeting to order.

1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE DECEMBER 14, 2020 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.

There were no questions relating to the regular meeting agenda.

2. DISCUSSION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS.

Staff gave a brief presentation on the operations of the Environmental Health & Code Enforcement Department. Staff briefly presented on potential enhancement to mowing contract, projections for in-house mowers and discussed metrics of the department. Staff highlighted on the following:

- Code Enforcement
- McAllen 311 Calls
- Top 10 Code Violations
- Illegal Dumping Task Force Cleanups
- Code Expectations
- Mowing Contract Enhancements
- In-House Mowers

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were raised relating to: 1) Mosquito Cases, 2) 311 Center Calls, 3) Mowing Cycle, 4) Process, 5) Documentation, 6) Weedy Lots/Liens/Violations Process, 7) Educating Citizens and 8) Private Properties. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for the presentation.

3. REVIEW OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES.

An update was provided on city commission on consideration of city-owned properties. Staff handed out a map/spreadsheet detailing all properties with and without improvements.

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

4. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS.

Staff provided a brief overview of subdivision regulations. Staff briefly discussed the following:

- State Law
- City Process
- Variances

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

5. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DOWNTOWN MATCHING GRANT & WAYFINDING IMPROVEMENTS.

Staff gave an update on downtown matching grant and wayfinding improvements. Staff briefly discussed the cost projects and matching grants.

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were raised relating to: 1) Old Post Office, 2) Proposed Locations, 3) Destinations and 4) Wayfinding Committee (Commissioners Haddad, Ramirez and Zamora.) Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

6. REVIEW OF DRAINAGE PROJECTS AND FLOOD IMPACTED AREAS.

Said item was not addressed.

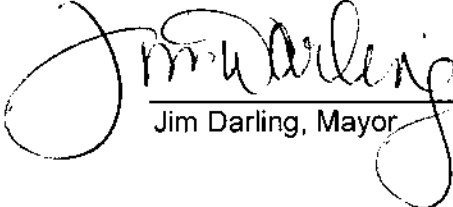
7. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY), SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS) AND SECTION 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

- A) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ASPECTS OF PERSONNEL PROCESS. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO SECTION 143.073 OF THE TEXAS CIVIL SERVICE ACT. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- C) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)
- D) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL MATTERS RELATED TO SPECTRA CONTRACT. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: Mr. Manuel Pescador spoke under the public comment session.

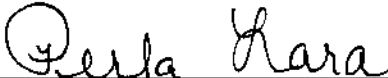
ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.



Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary