

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Special Meeting on **Thursday, March 9, 2017**, at 4:00 pm, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers, with the following present.

Mayor Jim Darling, Commissioner Richard Cortez, Commissioner John Ingram, Commissioner Veronica Whitacre, and Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Hilda Escochea Salinas and Commissioner Trey Pebley

Staff: City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, Assistant City Manager Michelle Leftwich, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera, City Secretary Perla Lara, Director of Parks and Recreation Department Mike Hernandez, Library Director Kate Horan, Palm View Golf Course Director Carlos Espinosa

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Darling called the meeting to order.

1. RESURFACING GREENS AT PALM VIEW GOLF COURSE.

Staff recommended approval to resurface approximately 125,000 square feet of greens at Palm View Golf Course. Staff noted this project includes 18 green on the course, the practice putting green and the practice chipping green.

Discussion ensued. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

After due consideration, Commissioner John Ingram moved to approve resurface greens as recommended. Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those presently.

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR PARKS MASTER PLAN.

Staff recommended award of contract to PR&S LLC. from Corpus Christi, Texas for a ten year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Fee for this service is not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Discussion ensued. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez moved to award the contract as recommended. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. CONSIDERATION OF AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION BETWEEN CITY OF MCALLEN AND CDC FOR INSECTICIDE RESISTANCE STUDY.

Staff recommended approval of an Interlocal Agreement between City of McAllen and CDC for Insecticide Resistance Study.

Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement as recommended. Commissioner John Ingram seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MCALLEN PUBLIC LIBRARY AND SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE CONTINUING EDUCATION.

Staff recommended approval of Memorandum of Understanding between McAllen Public Library and South Texas College Continuing Education for the use of Learner Web.

Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding as recommended. Commissioner John Ingram seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

5. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BASEBALL FIELD LIGHTING.

Staff recommended award of contract in the amount of \$750,000.00 to Musco Lighting to purchase the HID Sports Lighting for McAllen Youth Baseball Complex. Staff is requesting to proceed with the purchase of the 12-field Sports Lighting package from Musco Lighting via the Buy Board Coop program.

Commissioner Richard Cortez moved to award the contract as recommended. Commissioner Veronica Whitacre seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUES.

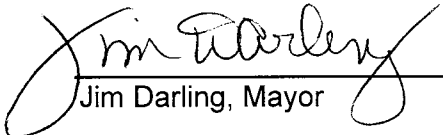
Staff recommended approval of an agreement in the amount of \$120,000.00 with Barracudas F.C. for development of Professional Soccer at the McAllen Convention Center and Fast Soccer at the McAllen Sports Complex Pavilion.

Staff noted that Barracudas are interested in becoming a sports contractor with the City of McAllen and assuming 80% of the site preparation expenses and sharing 20% of the revenues from all fees collected. Discussion ensued. Concerns were expressed about the 20% of revenues from fees collected.

After due consideration, Commissioner John Ingram moved to table said item. Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.


Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest:


Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary