

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Monday, July 26, 2021** at 4:00 pm, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3<sup>rd</sup>) Commission Chambers, with the following present:

Mayor Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr., Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Tania Ramirez, Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad, Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca

Staff: City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Isaac Tawil, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, City Engineer Yvette Barrera and City Secretary Perla Lara

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Javier Villalobos called the meeting to order.

**1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE JULY 26, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.**

There were no questions on the regular meeting agenda.

**2. RENAMING OF PALM VIEW GOLF COURSE AND NEW ENTRANCE.**

Mr. Carlos Espinosa provided an update noting that during recent weeks, staff from different departments had met to consider possible new names for Palm View Golf Course. It was noted that among several options discussed, the words mentioned the most were: Palm (s), Lake(s), Wind, Champion, Green Jay, Pelican(s), Duck(s), Dove(s), Hummingbird, Escondido, Landing, Trail, Vista, Crossing, Rise, Hills, View, Meadow(s), Roaring, Creek, Sunrise, Sunset and Valley.

Mr. Espinosa mentioned that Palmview has been the name of the City's Golf Course for over 52 years and in recent years, this name has been connected or linked to the City of Palmview. He mentioned that department is seeking input from the City Commission on possible new names for Palm View Golf Course.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were expressed by the Mayor and City Commission. Mr. Espinosa answered questions posed by Council. Council directed staff to select five names and have the Golf Course Advisory Board present at another workshop.

Additionally, staff briefly reviewed four proposed options to the new entrance to Palm View Golf Course. After due consideration, Council directed staff to review options 2 and 4 and bring back cost estimates.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for the update.

**3. DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COUNTER PROGRAM AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.**

Ms. Sarai Garcia updated city council on the proposed Interlocal Agreement by and between the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the City of McAllen for the implementation of the RGV Bicycle Pedestrian Counter Data Program. Staff added that the City would provide support for the program by assisting with site selection, accessibility preparation for counter installation as well as maintenance of landscaping.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were expressed by the Mayor and City Commission. Ms. Garcia answered questions posed by Council. Staff noted that said item was listed for consideration on the regular meeting agenda.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for the presentation.

**4. SUBDIVISION MONTHLY REPORT.**

Report only.

**5. STATUS REPORT ON PARKS & RECREATION PROJECTS.**

Report only.

**6. PROJECT STATUS REPORT THROUGH JUNE 30, 2021.**

Report only.

**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 ISSUES RELATED TO REDISTRICTING. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- C) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)

**PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION:** 1) Mr. Gary Groves

**ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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Javier Villalobos, Mayor

Attest:

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Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM  
City Secretary