

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Monday, November 8, 2021** at 3:45 pm, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers.

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

Also present were 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.

At 3:45 p.m., the City Council was recessed to go into executive session and reconvened at 4:26 pm.

1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE NOVEMBER 8, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.

There were no questions on the regular meeting agenda.

2. PRESENTATION OF GRANT PROPOSALS BY THE McALLEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Presentation was given on grant proposals by the McAllen Chamber of Commerce and staff introduced their grant proposals.

Discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were shared by Council. Questions were asked relating to grants, strategies, funds, allocation, needs assessment, appropriate assessment for funds, locally owned franchises and small business and the overall approach and nature of the grants. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

After due consideration, Council directed staff to bring back item in document form to finalize and submit grant proposals for City Commission approval at the next regular city commission meeting.

3. QUINTA MAZATLAN PALM HOUSE – REVIEW OF COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL SCORING.

Ms. Yvette Barrera provided an update on Quinta Mazatlán Palm House and Park and Ride Procurement Process. She explained that the Architectural Consultants have recommended that the City consider using a competitive sealed proposal when receiving bids in place of the standard sealed bids. If the competitive sealed proposal method is selected, she stated that staff is proposing a ranking system like what is in place with the performing arts center. She noted that this is modified to give less weight to the cost and the points are tailored to the needs of this projects. She also informed Council that staff is recommending consideration and review of the procurement process.

Discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were shared by Council. Questions were asked relating to Performing Art Center Bid Openings, Scoring, Matrix, Interviews, Rankings, Similar Projects and Differences and Traditional Design Bids. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

Council directed staff to proceed with the review of the procurement process.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for the presentation.

4. 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)

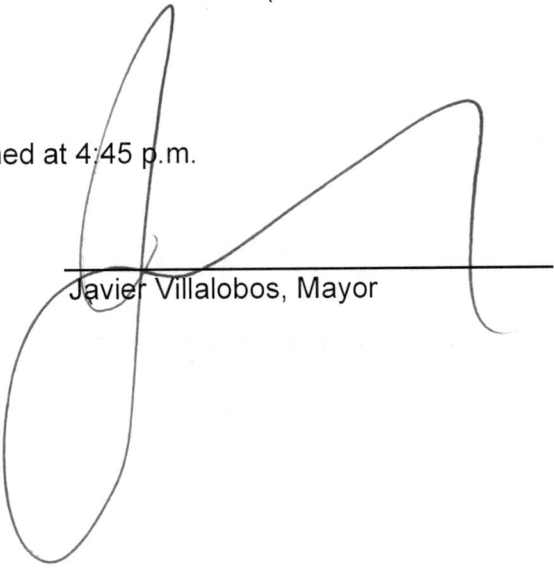
- A) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES OF CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C)

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION:

The following citizen spoke at public comment: Jesus Mendoza (comments received via telephone)

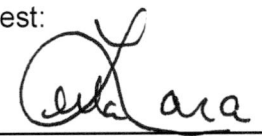
ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.



Javier Villalobos, Mayor

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary