

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a workshop on **Monday, February 27, 2023**, at 4:00 p.m., at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers.

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

Absent: Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo

Also present were City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Isaac Tawil, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera and City Secretary Perla Lara

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Javier Villalobos called the meeting to order.

1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE FEBRUARY 27th REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.

There were no questions of the regular city commission agenda.

2. ANIMAL SHELTER UPDATE.

Mr. Eduardo Mendoza introduced Mr. Mike Bernard and added that he would be presenting on the Animal Shelter Feasibility Study. Mr. Bernard thanked Council for allowing him to present. He discussed the findings and options for the city as follows:

- Brief history of Shelter Planners of America
- Shelter Design Goals
- Animal Shelter Feasibility Study
- Existing Conditions
- Options Considered
- People and Animal Levels
- Building Space Program Options
- Current Operating Costs
- Options and Probable Costs
- Summary

Comments and concerns were shared by Mayor and Council. Questions were asked relating to feasibility study, report, current contract, PVAS and facility, operating costs and data, intake center, geographic areas, other cities, providing full study with Friday highlights, 14 day holds and transfers/rescue groups, contracts, adoption centers, teams, input and moving forward and regional shelter / regional effort. Staff responded to City Council questions.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for their presentation.

3. HOLIDAY PARADE AND SOUTH POLE OF TEXAS UPDATE.

Staff provided an update on Holiday Parade and South Pole of Texas and two video recaps were presented for the events. Economic impact analysis finding was presented by Mr. Sai Mallapudi and he discussed the following:

- Race/Ethnicity
- Household Income
- Number of persons in group
- Stay while in McAllen
- How much spent in McAllen
- Reasons for attending parade
- Rated "Good" to "Excellent"

Discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were shared by Council. Mr. Mallapudi answered questions for Council.

Ms. Yahaira Flores presented a brief summary of the South Pole of Texas. Ms. Flores went over the goals, attendance, marketing, and media update. Comments and concerns were shared by Council. Ms. Flores answered questions for Council.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for their presentation.

4. STATE OF THE SYSTEM BOOK BY RGVMP.

MPO Director Andrew Canon gave a brief presentation on the System Book Report by RGVMP. It was noted this is the first time this was done and mentioned that the books were handed out at office in the Capitol. The region and valley were showcased. It was mentioned the valley's growth and dynamics were highlighted.

Mayor and Council thanked Mr. Canon for his presentation.

5. METRO MCALLEN SHORT RANGE PLAN (SRP) UPDATE.

Said item was not addressed.

6. 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 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING WITH THE MCALLEN PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION. (SECTION 551.071, TGC.)
- B) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES WITH POSSIBLE LITIGATION RELATED TO AIR SERVICE AGREEMENT. (SECTION 551.071, TGC.) (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- C) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)
- D) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE LEASE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY, TRACT 1 AND 2. (SECTION 551.072, T.G.C.)

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: Ms. Celeste Huff, Office of Communication Monica de la Cruz District 15th provided a brief Legislative Update.

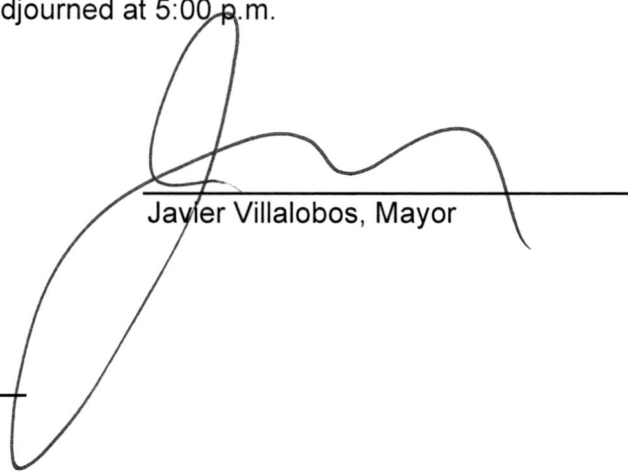
ADJOURNMENT

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

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary



Javier Villalobos, Mayor