

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

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

Mayor Pro Tem Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr., Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo, Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad and Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca were present. Absent: Mayor Javier Villalobos

Also, present 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.

CONVENE MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem Joaquin Zamora called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

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

There were no questions of the regular city commission agenda.

2. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE BY THE HIDALGO COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 AS IT RELATES TO THE 2023 DRAINAGE BOND PROGRAM.

Mr. Raul Sesin, District General Manager presented information regarding the Hidalgo County Drainage District No.1 – 2023 Bond Program. Council was updated on the 2018 Drainage Bond projects. He discussed bond projects statuses by project, design, completion and under construction. He also mentioned early voting dates April 24th through May 2nd and election day on Saturday, May 6th.

Comments were shared by Mayor Pro Tem and Council. Questions were answered and Council thanked staff for their presentation.

3. PRESENTATION REGARDING STATUS OF BUSINESS GRANTS.

Mr. Josh Mejia discussed the progress report of business grants. He reported on trend lines of applications, declined and approved applications, breakdowns by industry, not qualifying businesses, number of businesses awarded that are chamber members, status of used and unused grants, and methods of promotion. He added the county would be running an election and reviewed the early voting dates and Saturday election date of May 6, 2023.

Comments were shared by Mayor Pro Tem and Council. Questions were answered and Council thanked staff for their presentation.

4. INTRODUCTION TO MODERN ROUNDABOUTS.

Staff discussed on the benefits of modern roundabouts as a form of traffic calming to efficiently move traffic and increase safety at intersections. A brief synopsis of how the use of modern roundabouts around the country has proven the efficiency of traffic flow along thoroughfares decreasing travel time and reducing the number of fatalities and serious injury accidents. The team also presented locations within the city, of thoroughfares with non-signalized intersections in which roundabouts can be incorporated to increase mobility and reduce travel time within the city.

Comments were shared by Mayor Pro Tem and Council. Council instructed staff to bring back intersection proposal and placed on a regular city commission agenda. Questions were answered and Council thanked staff for their presentation.

5. DISCUSSION ON STREET NAME SCHEME.

Said item was not discussed.

6. **RAISED MEDIAN PAVERS AND LANDSCAPING FM 2220 FROM SH 107 TO MONTE CRISTO ROAD.**

Said item was not discussed.

7. **DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED FIRWORKS ORDINANCE.**

Said item was not discussed.

8. **DRAINAGE DITCHES UPDATE.**

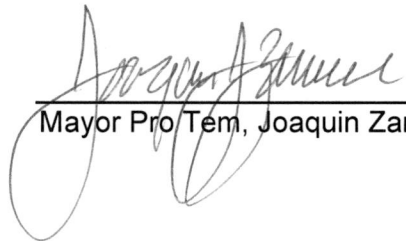
Said item was not discussed.

9. **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 PERSONNEL PROCESS. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)**
- B) **CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)**
- C) **CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO C-0438-20-I; PATRICIA RAMOS V. CITY OF MCALLEN, ET.AL. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)**

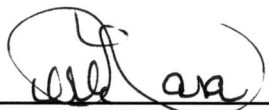
ADJOURN

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



Mayor Pro Tem, Joaquin Zamora

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary