

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a workshop on **Monday, May 22, 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 Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca were present.

Absent: Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo

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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Javier Villalobos called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE MAY 22nd REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.

There were no questions relating to the regular meeting agenda.

2. DISCUSSION OF ENVISION MCALLEN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Staff presented the comprehensive plan and reviewed what is a comprehensive plan. It was noted that it reflects the community's vision, long-term statement that guides policy, basis for subsequent ordinances and a tool for decision-making.

The project process was reviewed, and staff discussed, engagement timeline, vision, guiding principles, engagement activities, online service, community meetings, feedback, community priorities, plan topics, future land use, open space, transportation, mobility, public services, parks, infrastructure, economic resilience, and action and implementation.

Discussion ensued. Comments were shared by Council. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

Staff mentioned that said item was listed on the regular meeting agenda for public hearing and possible action.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for their presentation.

3. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON LONGEVITY PAY FOR FULLTIME, NON-CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES.

Staff discussed the longevity pay for fulltime, non-civil service employees. Staff reviewed the breakdown of turnover by departments. Staff discussed declined and turnover and referred to chart of items and issues within the city. Ms. Christina Flores discussed the turnover on less than 2 to 5 years of service, numbers of retirees, and other reasons for leaving. The seven-year plan as of April 2023 and longevity pay implementation was also reviewed as follows: COLA, Floating Day, Vacation Day, Longevity Pay, Sick Day, Salary Study and Salary Adjustments.

Discussion ensued. Comments were shared by Council. Questions were asked relating to bridges, MPUB, fund breakdown and budget. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

Staff noted that the item was listed on the regular city commission agenda for action.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for their presentation.

4. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON RECREATION TRAIL / HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT 2 PROJECT.

Staff introduced Commissioner Cantu from precinct 2 who went over the presentation.

Commissioner Cantu discussed City of McAllen participation and partnership with Hidalgo County Precinct 2 for the recreational trail's connectivity project. He noted it was a good project that focuses on safely connecting the existing Hike and Bike Trail facilities in the region. He also noted the City of McAllen is to contribute 50% of the cost associated with the section within McAllen city limits. Total project costs and breakdowns were discussed.

Discussion ensued. Comments were shared by Council. Questions were asked relating to continuous miles, usage of existing trails, existing sidewalks, asphalt or concrete, less maintenance, cost of continuous repairs, lighting, solar / hardwire, amenities for the trail, water stations, landscaping, and budget. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

Mayor Javier Villalobos thanked staff for their presentation.

5. 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)

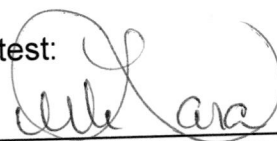
- A) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ASPECTS OF PERSONNEL PROCESS. (SECTION 551.071, TG.C.)

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Rolando Valdez and Mr. Manuel Pescador (No Show)

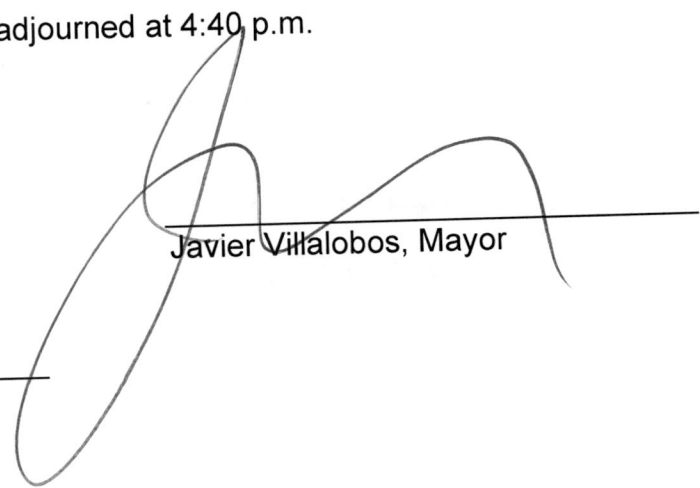
ADJOURN

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary



Javier Villalobos, Mayor