

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF MCALLEN

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a workshop on **Monday, February 26, 2024**, at 4:00 p.m., at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers.

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

Also, present City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Isaac Tawil, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera, 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 FEBRUARY 26th REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.**

There were no questions relating to the regular meeting agenda.

- 2. PRESENTATION ON VISION ZERO.**

Staff presented the project vision zero noting that it is a collaborative campaign aimed at reducing injuries and fatalities in the City of McAllen roadways to Zero. The vision zero safety plan aims at structuring a plan based on data collected on our public roadways so that the city can identify priorities to allocates resources effectively, foster collaboration among stakeholders and develop actionable strategies and initiatives that will address the needs of our community.

Staff also stated that the vision zero plan has a timeline of approximately eight months for completion with data collection starting in January, followed by a draft plan to be completed and ready for staff comments in May. It was mentioned that July will be the month for comments from the public and the final plan would come back to the City Commission for adoption in August 2024. Staff stated the city of McAllen staff will be conducting various events to hear from various City Departments and the public to make the plan stronger.

Staff was available for questions and comments from Council. Questions were asked regarding project strategies, improvements and areas of concern, HOA and input of neighborhood associations, roundabouts, safety, mobility, town hall meeting and input from residents. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

- 3. JACKSON ROAD WIDENING FROM 4-LANES TO 6 LANES WITH A RAISED CONCRETE MEDIAN. LIMITS FROM PECAN AVENUE (SH495) TO EL RANCHO ROAD.**

Staff presented on the Jackson Road widening from 4-lanes to 6-lanes with a raised concrete median and limits from Pecan Avenue (SH495) to El Ranch Road. It was mentioned that city has been advised by TxDOT about a significant upgrade to Jackson Road. The road will be widened from 4 to 6 lanes with concrete medians, the roadway improvements ranging from Pecan Avenue (SH495) to El Rancho Road. Staff stated the project aims to enhance safety and mobility, reduce vehicular hazardous movements, and create a safer environment for pedestrians. Staff noted at this time they are seeking council's input on the project.

Staff was available for questions and comments from Council. Questions were asked regarding project timeline, construction, promote mobility, additional right of way and larger intersections. Staff answered questions posed by Council.

- 4. EFT'S CONVENIENCE FEES / CARD PROCESSING PRESENTATION.**

Said item was not addressed.

- 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) CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES WITH CONTRACT BETWEEN MCALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CITY OF MCALLEN RELATED TO QUINTA MAZALTAN. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C)
- C) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING POSSIBLE EMPLOYMENT LITIGATION. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- D) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION FUNDS. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.

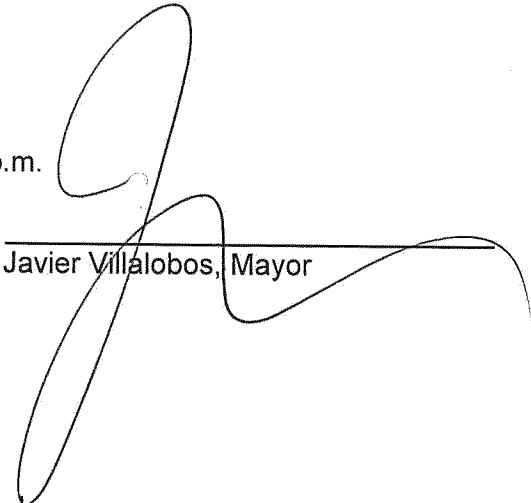
ADJOURN

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

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary



Javier Villalobos, Mayor