

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened a **Joint Meeting** on Monday, **October 13, 2025**, at 4:00 PM, at McAllen City Hall, Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers, with the following present:

Mayor Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr., Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios and Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad and Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo

MPUB: Trustee Ernest Williams, Trustee Ricardo "Ric" Godinez

Absent: Chairman Albert Cardenas and Trustee Charles Amos

Staff: City Manager Isaac Tawil, City Attorney Austin Stevenson, Deputy City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Juan Olaguibel, Assistant City Manager Elvira Alonso, City Secretary Perla Lara, City Engineer Eduardo Mendoza, Planning Director Omar Sotelo, Finance Director Sonia Resendez

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Javier Villalobos officially called the City Commission meeting to order.

Vice Chairman Ernest Williams subsequently called the McAllen Public Utility Board meeting to order.

JOINT MEETING WITH THE MCALLEN PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD

1. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE INVESTMENT ADVISORY SERVICES.

Staff recommended award of contract to Valley View Consulting, LLC for the Investment Advisory Services.

It was noted that the Treasury Management and Finance Department is requesting authorization to award a contract for investment advisory services to the highest rank respondent for a period to commence October 14, 2025, and then three years thereafter.

City Manager noted that after listening to the presentations, trends, and practices as a committee they decided that Valley View was the outstanding firm and recommended the award of contract for investment advisory services.

Council members raised questions regarding the incumbent firm and the amount of time allocated to each firm during the evaluation process. Staff provided responses to council members.

Trustee Ricardo "Ric" Godinez moved to award and recommended and seconded by Mayor Javier Villalobos. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

Commissioner Joaquin Zamora moved to award the contract as recommended and seconded by Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF MCALLEN REQUESTING THE CITY TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2025A, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$30,000,000 (FOR A BRACKISH GROUNDWATER TREATMENT PLANT), SUCH SERIES OF BONDS TO BE SOLD TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD, AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Staff recommended approval of a resolution of the Public Utility Board of Trustees of the City of McAllen requesting the City to approve the issuance and sale of Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025A, in the principal amount of \$30,000,000 (for a brackish groundwater treatment plant), such series of bonds to be sold to the Texas Water Development Board, and approving other matters related thereto.

Mr. Mark Vega noted that the resolutions listed on the agenda pertain to securing funding and financing for water desalination. Staff provided an update on the initial phase of the project, which includes the construction of eight wells both deep and shallow.

A discussion followed, during which council members shared comments and expressed concerns.

Following deliberation, Mayor Javier Villalobos moved to approve the resolution as recommended and seconded by Trustee Ricardo "Ric" Godinez. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

- 3. CONSIDER ADOPTING A RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF MCALLEN REQUESTING THE CITY TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2025B, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,215,000 (FOR ACQUISITION OF WATER RIGHTS), SUCH SERIES OF BONDS TO BE SOLD TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD, AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

Approved a resolution of the Public Utility Board of Trustees of the City of McAllen requesting the City to approve the issuance and sale of Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025B, in the principal amount of \$3,215,000 (for acquisition of water rights), such series of bonds to be sold to the Texas Water Development Board, and approving other matters related thereto.

Financial Advisor Ms. Anne Berger Entrekin was in attendance to address any questions from the council. She provided a brief overview of the State Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas, highlighting key financial details including a 14% subsidy and an interest rate of 3.82%.

Mayor Javier Villalobos moved to approve the resolution as recommended and seconded by Trustee Ricardo "Ric" Godinez. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

- 4. CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2025A, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$30,000,000 (FOR A BRACKISH GROUNDWATER TREATMENT PLANT) TO BE SOLD TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

Staff recommended adoption of an Ordinance authorizing the issuance of City of McAllen, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025A, in the principal amount of \$30,000,000 (for a brackish groundwater treatment plant) to be sold to the Texas Water Development Board and Ordaining other matters related thereto.

Commissioner Joaquin Zamora moved to adopt the ordinance as recommended and seconded by Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

- 5. CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2025B, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,215,000 (FOR ACQUISITION OF WATER RIGHTS) TO BE SOLD TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

Staff recommended adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of City of McAllen, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025B, in the principal amount of \$3,215,000 (for acquisition of water rights) to be sold to the Texas Water Development Board and Ordaining other matters related thereto.

Commissioner Joaquin Zamora moved to adopt the ordinance as recommended and seconded by Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

END OF JOINT MEETING

Vice Chairman Ernest Williams moved to adjourn the McAllen Public Utility Board Meeting at 4:17 pm. Trustee Ricardo "Ric" Godinez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by those present.

- 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)**

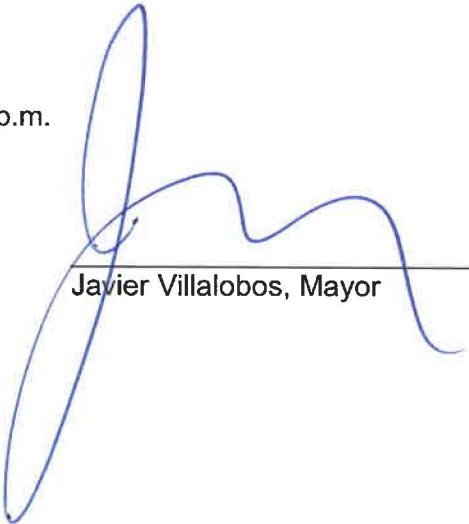
ADJOURNMENT

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary



Javier Villalobos, Mayor