

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF MCALLEN

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened a Regular Meeting on Monday, **December 8, 2025, at 5:00 PM**, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers, with the following present:

Mayor Javier Villalobos, Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad, Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr., Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo, Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios and Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca

Absent: Commissioner Joaquin Zamora

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 Alonzo City Secretary Perla Lara, City Engineer Eduardo Mendoza, Planning Director Omar Sotelo, Finance Director Sonia Resendez

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Javier Villalobos called the meeting to order.

PROCLAMATION

TUBA CHRISTMAS DAY

Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad read a proclamation for Tuba Christmas.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS' DAY

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca read a proclamation for Christmas for Kids.

AGENDA ITEM PUBLIC COMMENT (Individuals wishing to speak regarding an agenda item on today's agenda, please contact City Secretary before 5:00pm)

- 1. **CONSENT AGENDA (ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE GOVERNING BODY AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS; HOWEVER, IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM(S) WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.)**

Commissioner Rolando "Rolly" Rios moved to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad and carried unanimously by those present.

- A) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 24, 2025.**

Approved the minutes for Regular Meeting held November 24, 2025.

- B) **ANNUAL UPDATE FOR PROJECT PROGRESS FOR MCALLEN TIRZ #2A.**

Approved the annual update for project progress for McAllen TIRZ #2A.

- C) **AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE MCALLEN SOLID WASTE RECYCLING CENTER ELECTRICAL UPGRADE PROJECT (PROJECT NO. 10-25-C06-701).**

Awarded a contract to Titan Industrial Construction, LLC in the amount of \$624,900.00 with a contract time not to exceed 180 calendar days for the McAllen Solid Waste Recycling Center Electrical Upgrade Project.

- D) **AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BUS RAPID TRANSIT AND TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (PROJECT NO. 08-25-S68-306).**

Awarded a contract to AECOM in the amount of \$941,472.07 for the Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Plan.

E) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF MCALLEN, MCALLEN FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION IAFF LOCAL 2602, AND THE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION.

Approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of McAllen, McAllen Firefighters Association IAFF Local 2602, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

F) CONSENT COOP PURCHASES

1. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) NEW CURRENT MODEL FRONT LOAD REFUSE TRUCKS UTILIZING SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PRICING (PROJECT NO. 12-25-P17-01).

Awarded a contract to Rush Truck Center in the amount of \$1,287,246 for the Purchase of Three (3) Current Model Refuse Trucks for the Commercial Box and Recycling Departments.

G) APPROVAL OF TAX REFUNDS OVER \$500.00.

Approved tax refunds of over \$500.

1. JOSHUA D. OVALLE PATTON & LILIANA M.

Approved a tax refund in the amount of \$1,180.93.

2. BIDS/CONTRACTS

A) AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF AN ALL-INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND IN THE NEW COMMUNITY PARK AT EL RANCHO AND MCCOLL (PROJECT NO.12-25-P18-01).

Staff recommended award of contract to Exerplay, Inc. in the amount of \$500,112.25 for the purchase and installation of an all-inclusive playground in the new community park at El Rancho and McColl.

Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo moved to award the contract as recommended. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad and carried unanimously by those present.

B) AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING 2025 (PROJECT NO. 07-25-S75-552).

Staff recommended award of contract to B2Z Engineering, LLC, Millenium Engineers Group, Inc., and Terracon Consultants Inc. at negotiated fees for a term of one year, with the option to extend the contract for two additional years, in one-year increments for the Geotechnical Engineering and Construction Materials Testing Services.

Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr. moved to award the contract as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca and carried unanimously by those present.

C) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE WITH TOP RANKED ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AT MCALLEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (PROJECT NO. 09-25-S94-759).

Staff recommended negotiations with two (2) top-ranked consultant firms, Pape-Dawson Consulting Engineers, LLC, and Short Elliot Hendrickson, Inc. for General Engineering Services at McAllen International Airport.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to negotiate as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr. and carried unanimously by those present.

D) AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES.

Staff recommended award of contract to Morrish and Associates, LLC for Professional Design Services.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to award the contract as recommended. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Victor "Seby" Haddad and carried unanimously by those present.

3. ORDINANCE

A) PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO THE METRO MCALLEN FUND.

Staff recommended adoption of an ordinance providing for a budget amendment in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Bus Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development.

Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr., moved to adopt the ordinance as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca and carried unanimously by those present.

4. RESOLUTION

A) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT (TPWD) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 LOCAL PARKS GRANT PROGRAM.

Staff recommends approval of a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) for funding under the Fiscal Year 2026 Local Parks Grant Program.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to approve the resolution as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr. and carried unanimously by those present.

5. MANAGER'S REPORT

A) ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS.

TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD

Commissioner Victor "Seby" Haddad nominated Javier Solis to the Traffic Advisory Board.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to accept the nominations as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Antonio "Tony" Aguirre, Jr. and carried unanimously by those present.

B) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

Items of upcoming workshops were reviewed as follows:

- Third-Party Review Services
- Rezoning Downtown
- City Lighting Update

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).

On behalf of the Presiding Officer, City Attorney recommended recessing into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney on Items 6A, 6B and 6D and Section 551.087 Economic Development on Item 6C.

A) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING POTENTIAL AND PENDING LITIGATION. TEX. GOV'T. CODE §551.071.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to proceed as described in executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo and carried unanimously by those present.

B) DELIBERATION REGARDING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITY. TEX. GOV'T. CODE § 551.0761.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to proceed as described in executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo and carried unanimously by those present.

C) CONSIDERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. TEX. GOV'T. CODE §551.087.

Commissioner Jose R. "Pepe" Cabeza de Vaca moved to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to proceed as described in executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodolfo "Rudy" Castillo and carried unanimously by those present.

D) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ASPECTS OF CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS. TEX. GOV'T. CODE §551.071.

No action.

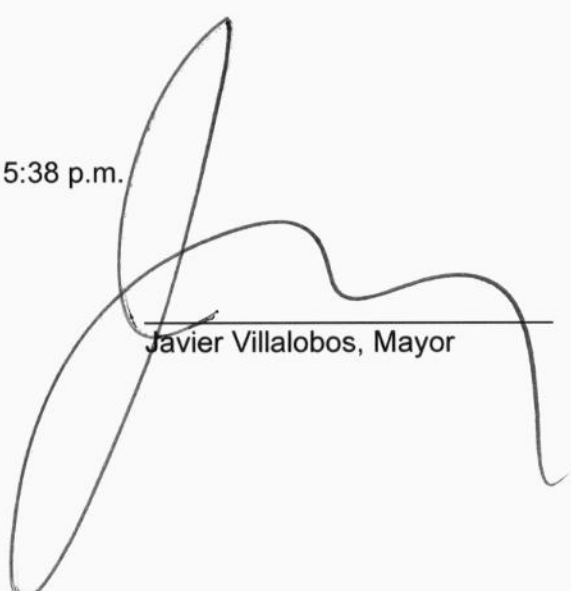
ADJOURNMENT

Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Attest:



Perla Lara, TRMG/GMC, CPM
City Secretary



Javier Villalobos, Mayor