

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Wednesday, August 8, 2018**, at 5:00 pm, at the Palm View Golf Course, with the following present:

Mayor Jim Darling, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner John Ingram and Commissioner Veronica Whitacre

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Aida Ramirez and Commissioner Javier Villalobos

Staff: City Manager Roel Rodriguez, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, City Secretary Perla Lara, Budget Director Angie Rodriguez, Finance Director Susan Lozano, Strategic Planning Coordinator Greg Townsend

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Darling called the meeting to order.

1. DISCUSSION OF FY 2018-2019 CITY OF MCALLEN BUDGET.

Management gave an overview of the annual results as it related to positive/gain reserves vs. negative/loss in reserves.

Engineering Department

Staff presented an overview of the department's proposed budget. A handout was distributed to the Mayor and City Commission depicting the department's budget. Staff reviewed the Drainage Bond Improvement Projects as follows:

- City of McAllen MS4 Stormwater Quality Monitoring Program
- 2nd (So) Street at Byron Nelson
- 12th (No.) at Esperansa
- 4th Street at Sunflower
- 43rd (No.) Street Bypass
- 7 ½ (No.) Street at Highland Avenue
- Bicentennial Blueline
- Dove Avenue
- El Rancho Subdivision
- Gardenia Avenue at 25 ½ Street
- Harvey Avenue at North Main
- Iris Avenue at Cynthia Avenue
- Marigold Avenue
- Martin Avenue Bypass
- McColl (South) at Pineridge Avenue
- Northwest Blueline Regrade
- Northwest Regional Stormwater Detention Facility
- Primrose Avenue at Bicentennial
- Pump Bypass Station 255
- Quamasia Avenue at North 11th Street
- Tamarack (East)
- Vine Avenue at North 48th Street Bypass

Staff also discussed the bond traffic improvements as follows:

- Cabinet and Controllers
- Fiber Optic
- Traffic Study

A discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were raised about: 1) 2nd and Wichita and 2) Completion. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for the presentation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Staff presented an overview of the department's proposed budget. A handout was distributed to the Mayor and City Commission depicting the department's budget.

A discussion was held. A question and answer session followed. Questions were raised about: 1) Fire Trucks, 2) Grand Opening and will notice be sent out and 3) increase in house fires. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked Chief Balderas for his presentation.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Staff presented an overview of the department's proposed budget. A handout was distributed to the Mayor and City Commission depicting the department's budget.

A discussion was held. A question and answer session followed. Questions were raised about: 1) Maintenance, 2) Crew Leaders vs Groundskeeper, 3) Maintenance of Fields, 4) Advertising Park Programs, 5) Games of Texas, 6) Natatorium and 7) Meets. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked Mike Hernandez for his presentation.

HIDALGO BRIDGE

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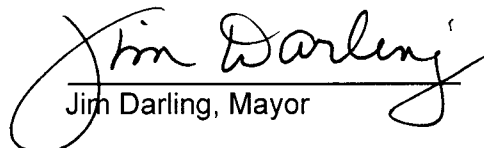
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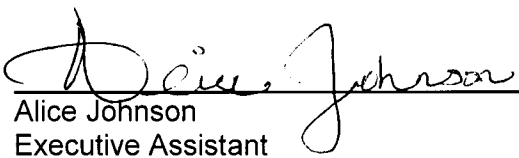
2. **EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY), SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS) AND SECTION 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT).**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.


Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest


Alice Johnson
Executive Assistant