

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

The McAllen Board of Commissioners convened in a Workshop on **Monday, January 27, 2020** at 4:00 pm, at McAllen City Hall Third Floor (3rd) Commission Chambers, with the following present:

Mayor Jim Darling, Mayor Pro Tem Veronica Whitacre, Commissioner Javier Villalobos, Commissioner Joaquin Zamora, Commissioner Omar Quintanilla, Commissioner Tania Ramirez and Commissioner Victor “Seby” Haddad

Staff: City Manager Roy Rodriguez, City Attorney Kevin Pagan, Assistant City Manager Michelle Rivera, Assistant City Manager Jeff Johnston, Assistant City Manager Joe Vera, City Engineer Yvette Barrera and City Secretary Perla Lara

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jim Darling called the meeting to order.

1. PRESENT QUESTIONS TO STAFF RELATING TO THE JANUARY 27, 2020 REGULAR MEETING AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AT SUCH MEETING.

There were no questions asked relating to the January 27, 2020 Regular City Commission Meeting.

2. DISCUSSION OF VEHICLES FOR HIRE ORDINANCE.

Staff provide a brief recap on vehicles for hire ordinance. The following articles were reviewed:

- Article I: In General Proposed Amendments
- Article II: Licenses and Vehicle Permits Proposed Amendments
- Article III: Operator Permit and Conduct Proposed Amendments
- Article IV: Inspection of Vehicles Proposed Amendments
- Article V: Operation of Taxi, Pedicab Proposed Amendments
- Proposed Elimination of Article VI Operation of Limousines
- Elimination of Article VIII Operation of C.P.V. at Airport

A discussion ensued. Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were raised as to: 1) Solving Family Issues, 2) Transfers/Deceased, 3) Expedite Process, 4) Limitations, 5) Determining Number of Permits, 6) Continuity Concerns, 7) Penalties, 8) Requirements for Lift and Uber, 9) Requirements for Cab Drivers, 10) Preemption and 11) Complaints. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Staff mentioned that the ordinance was brought to city commission to review the changes to terminology, make chapters more concise and to clarify the differences between permits and licenses. After due consideration, staff was directed to review the requirements and bring back to city commission for approval.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

3. PROJECT STATUS REPORT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019.

Staff provided an update of the various projects that are currently under construction and for which the Engineering Department performs Construction Management services. Staff reviewed work performed through December 31, 2019 as follows:

- McAllen Public Safety Building Garage
- Kennedy Avenue Drainage Improvements
- Westway Heights Drainage Improvements
- Bond Project
- 29th Street
- 2018 Bond – Traffic Fiber Installation, Cabinet/Controller Installation
- Anzaldua International Bridge NB Inspection Station
- McAllen Public Works Automotive Warehouse Expansion & Elevator
- TxDot Update on Bicentennial and I2
- Ware Road Project

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

4. STATUS REPORT ON PARKS & RECREATION PROJECTS.

Staff provided an update of the various projects that are currently underway in the Parks and Recreation Department. Staff reviewed work performed through December 31, 2019 as follows:

- Airport Park Restroom
- Vine and Ware Road Landscape
- Violet and Bicentennial
- Tavis Tennis Courts
- Morris Park Trail

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Questions were raised as to: 1) Roof / Airport Restroom, 2) Landscaping Improvements, 3) Issues with visitors Violet and Bicentennial, 4) Native Plants and 5) Spring Fest/Soccer Fields. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission.

Mayor Jim Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

5. SUBDIVISION MONTHLY REPORT.

Staff provide a brief overview of the subdivision monthly reports that are currently underway. The following were reviewed.

- Eclipse Subdivision
- 495 Commerce Center Phase XV Subdivision
- Balboa Acres, The West One-half of Lot 9, Block 20 Subdivision
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- Los Vecinos Subdivision
- Josefina Subdivision
- Nolana Retail Subdivision
- Fabian Vela Subdivision
- Vito Subdivision
- McAllen Convention Center, Replat of Lot 7B
- North Pointe Subdivision
- Jackson Apartments
- Nolana Villas Subdivision
- Ware Commercial Subdivision
- Alyssa Marie Torres Subdivision
- Avanti at Emerald Point Subdivision
- Parkway Estate No. 4 Subdivision
- O.L.S. Parish Hall Subdivision
- Fernwood Phase IA Subdivision
- Jackson Apartments Subdivision

Comments and concerns were shared by the Mayor and City Commission. Staff answered questions posed by the Mayor and City Commission. Mayor Darling thanked staff for their presentation.

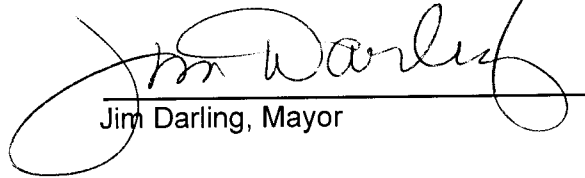
6. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY), SECTION 551.072 (DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY), SECTION 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS) AND SECTION 551.087 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

- A) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO PERSONNEL MATTERS. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- B) CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGAL ASPECTS OF EVENT CENTER WITHOUT A PERMIT. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- C) CONSIDERATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (SECTION 551.071, T.G.C.)
- D) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE LEASE, SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE PROPERTY: TRACT 1, SECTION 551.072, T.G.C.)
- E) OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS. (SECTION 551.087, T.G.C.)

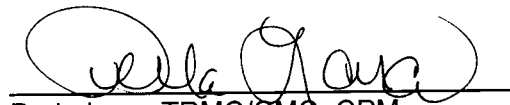
PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: No one signed up for public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.


Jim Darling, Mayor

Attest:


Perla Lara, TRMC/CMC, CPM
City Secretary