

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Alamo, Texas met for the second regular meeting on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the City of Alamo Municipal Building.

COMMISSION PRESENT:

Diana Martinez, Mayor
Pete Morales, Mayor Pro-Tem
Trino Medina, Commissioner
Robert De La Garza, Commissioner
Pilar Garza, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

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| Luciano Ozuna, Jr., City Manager | Rosie Rodriguez, Accountant |
| Rick Palacios, City Attorney | Baudelio Castillo, Police Chief |
| Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary | Michael Torres, IT Director |
| Melissa Gonzalez, Special Projects | Rafael Tapia, AEDC Director |
| Melissa Rodriguez, Purchasing Agent | Alex Oyoque, Museum Curator |
| Ronnie Cruz, City Engineer | Melissa Leal, Utilities Supervisor |
| Julio Villarreal, Public Works Director | |
| Roy Contreras, Fire Chief | |

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Diana Martinez called the first regular meeting held on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 to order at 7:00 pm at the City of Alamo Municipal Building. Mayor Diana Martinez led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation. Father Rene Angel led with prayer.

C. Presentation and Announcements.

Mayor Diana Martinez introduce new City Secretary, Alexandra Rangel

Police Chief, Baudelio Castillo and Officer Jacob Garcia introduced the Alamo Police Department Explore Program post 1554 cadets. His introduction of 25 youth who train with volunteered lead advisors to be the future of law enforcement.

City Manager, Luciano Ozuna, Jr. informed the Commissioners and the public of his retirement, with a 90 day notice to find a suitable candidate for City Manager. Mr. Ozuna will prepare this announcement as a formal agenda item.

D. Presentation on the recognition of Father Rene Angel for his 25th Silver Anniversary in the priesthood

Commissioner Trino Medina thanked and presented a plaque the Father Rene Angel for being present and congratulated him for his service and dedication to the community.

E. Consideration and action to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of Nov. 6, 2018.

Commissioner Robert De La Garza made a motion to approve and Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded the minutes for the regular meeting of November 6, 2018 as presented. Commissioner Pete Morales abstained. Motion carried.

F. Consideration and action to approve the 2018 Tax Roll Totals for the City of Alamo as per Section 26.09(e) of the Texas Property Tax Code

Utilities Supervisor Ms. Melissa Leal requested approval on the Hidalgo County submission of the certified Tax Roll. Commissioner Robert De La Garza motioned to approve and Commissioner Trino Medina seconded. Motion carried.

G. Presentation by Safe Haven for Kids, Inc.

Ms. Angela Ridling presented on Safe Haven for Kids and the need of assistance. Commissioner Trino Medina suggested if Safe Haven for Kids has submitted an application for urban county funding. City Manager, Luciano Ozuna will reach out to Mr. Bobby Salinas, planner on reference on the urban county application, to have as an item on next regular meeting, December 4, 2018.

H. Consideration and action on a request by Melissa Gonzalez, Willie's Sweets/Willie's BBQ, to hold a 5k in the city of Alamo on Saturday March 23, 2019 for Kidney Awareness.

Ms. Melissa Gonzalez and Mr. Leo Alvarado requested to hold a 5k on Saturday March 23, 2019 to for kidney awareness and the possibility finding donors, Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Commissioner Pete Morales seconded. Motion carried

I. Consideration and action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the City of Alamo Museum.

Mr. Alejandro Oyoque address the importance of Friends has on the Alamo Museum. The MOU addresses the Friends members to continue to volunteer and have the city's recognition as well to continue with future activities. Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Commissioner Robert De La Garza motioned seconded. Motion carried.

J. Consideration and action to replace/appoint members to the Alamo Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

Mayor Diana Martinez motions to replace replace/appoint members to the Alamo Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors:

To replace Rosario Coplea with Mr. Luis Hess, to replace Marcelino Medina with Alonzo Garza, to replace Guadalupe Martinez with Felix Garza Jr, and to replace Tommy Villagomez with Marsha Acosta. Reappoint Joe Barron and Ricardo Salazar. Commissioner Robert De La Garza seconded, Commissioner Pete Morales and Commissioner Trino Medina opposed. Motioned carried.

K. Consideration and action on request by Parks & Recreation Department for road closures for the Annual Christmas Parade and Christmas in Central Park Program.

Parks and Recreation Director Mr. Arnoldo Robles requested for road closer of FM 907, Business 83, 7th and main street for the Annual Christmas "Parade of Lights" on Saturday December 8, 2018 at 6:30 pm. Commissioner Pete Morales made a motion to approve and Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

L. Consideration and action to approve a resolution authorizing application submission and commitment of local match for the "PSJA Tri-City Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, Phase II" under the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Transportation Alternatives Program

Ms. Melissa Gonzales addressed the "PSJA Tri-City Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project, Phase II to provide enhanced safe connectivity of sidewalks within the Cities of Pharr, San Juan, Alamo (PSJA) Independent School District boundaries. Commissioner Trino Medina motion to approve and Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

M. Consideration and action to approve a resolution authorizing application submission and commitment of local match for the "Regional BCycle Bikeshare Program" under the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Transportation Alternatives Program to be submitted by the Lower Rio Grande Development Council.

Commit to \$13,000.00 to receive 10 bikes and 2 docks, 25% match if committed the budget for this project is not until for next year2019. Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to approve and Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

N. Consideration and action to approve a resolution authorizing application submission and commitment of local match for the "Hidalgo County Active Mobility Plan" under the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Transportation Alternatives Program to be submitted by the Lower Rio Grande Development Council

With all the cities included within the plan can seek federal instate dollars since it is considered as a regional plan. Committed already Mission, Pharr and Precinct 1; include Alamo, Weslaco and San Juan. Match of \$13,200 to be included in the master plan. Commissioner Pete Morales motioned to approve and Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

O. Consideration and action to approve the City Manager's appointment of a new City Inspector as per Title 1, Chapter 6, Section 1-6-3 of the Alamo Code of Ordinances

City Manager Luciano Ozuna informed the Commission he hired Adan Magallan as Alamo's new City Inspector. Commissioner Robert De La Garza motioned to approve and Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

P. Consideration and action on a variance request to allow for a 23' rear setback instead of the 30' rear setback required by plat, physically located at 1310 Deluxe St., legally described as Lot 48, Palazzo Vegas Ranches Subdivision for Saul Chavez

City Manager Luciano Ozuna informed the City Commission that Planning Director, Bobby Salinas is out due to a family crisis and requested for items P& Q to be tabled for next regular meeting. Commissioner Trino Medina moved to table, Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried.

Q. Consideration and action on a variance request to allow for a 5' side corner setback instead of the 10' side corner setback required by code, physically located at 202 Laura Dr., legally described as Lot 20, Alamo Trails Subdivision for Edward Delgado.

R. Presentation of AEDC Monthly Report.

AEDC Executive Director Rafael Tapia reported on activity for the period covering October 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018.

S. Presentation of Departmental Reports.

No comments were made.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Five minutes per person with no response from the City Commission. Residents must sign up prior to the city meeting.

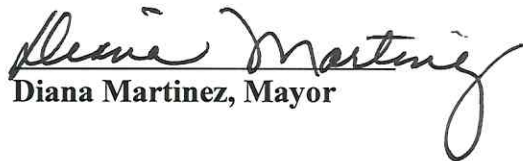
Mr. Edward Delgado addressed item Q to be postponed for the next regular meeting.

Mr. Luis Hess thanked the City Commission for his appointment at the AEDC.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Citizens are encouraged to sign the attendance sheet.

There being no further business, Mayor Diana Martinez adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm.


Diana Martinez, Mayor

ATTEST:


Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary