

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF ALAMO, TEXAS MET FOR THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING OF JULY ON TUESDAY, JULY 03, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ALAMO MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**

**COMMISSION PRESENT:**

Mayor Diana Martinez  
Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales  
Commissioner Maria del Pilar Garza  
Commissioner Trino Medina  
Commissioner Robert de la Garza

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Luciano Ozuna, City Manager	Melisa Gonzales, Special Projects Director
Ricardo Palacios, City Attorney	Rafael Tapia, AEDC Director
Ronnie Cruz, City Engineer	Julio Villarreal, Public Works Director
Roy Contreras, Fire Chief	Arnold Robles, Parks & Recreation Director
Yvette Mendoza, Finance Director	Bobby Salinas, CPD Director
Melissa Rodriguez, Purchasing Director	Alex Oyoke, Museum Curator
Lori Solis, Library Director	Crystal Garza, Executive Secretary

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**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on July 03, 2018 at the City of Alamo Municipal Building. The Diamond Divas 6U softball team led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Tuttle led the Invocation.

**C. PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Parks & Recreation Director, Arnold Robles stated the baseball season started in April with 23 teams and they ended up with 7 all-star teams, 3 baseball and 4 softball. He congratulated all the all-star teams that represented Alamo. The baseball team with 6u boys and girls placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the sectional and went on the regionals in Harlingen where they were eliminated. He presented Head Coach Juan Ortega, Assistant Coach Oscar Cruz, Assistant Coach David Martinez and Assistant Coach Denaski and their team took a picture with the City Commission.

Mr. Robles then introduced the softball team which is made up of 5 and 6 year old girls who earned 1<sup>st</sup> place at the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> invitational tournament as well as the sectional tournament and earned a spot to regionals where they earned 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Weslaco. He introduced the Head Coach, Jessica Martinez, Assistant Coach, Bobbi Sue Gonzalez, Assistant Coach, Nicole Milan and Assistant Coach Norma Suarez. The girls qualified to go to the World Series in Laredo in a couple of weeks. Mr. Robles wished them luck and said one day in the future they may be playing for the Wolverines with the continued support of their parents.

Mayor Diana Martinez thanked Mr. Robles the Parks & Recreation Director for doing a great job with his department and the parents for the dedication to their children to help make Alamo look good.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales also thanked Mr. Robles and all the Parks & Recreation staff for doing such a good job for the youth of Alamo. He also thanked the coaches for volunteering their time.

Special Projects Director, Melisa Gonzales reminded the Mayor and Commissioners the movie in the park will be Spiderman would be held on Friday, July 6, 2018 at 8 p.m.

Commissioner Medina reminded the Citizens the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event would be held tomorrow and the event starts at 3:00 p.m. but the fireworks start at 10:00 p.m. He thanked the Lions Club, the



Catholic Daughters, the Knights of Columbus, the Chamber of Commerce and everyone involved in putting the event together.

**D. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE FIRST REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY MAY 15, 2018**

*Commissioner Maria del Pilar Garza motioned to approve the minutes of May 15, 2018. Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**E. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE HEALTH INSURANCE OPTIONS PRESENTED BY THE TML MULTI-STATE INSURANCE**

Mr. Ozuna stated this item was discussed during the workshop earlier where staff was recommending Option 1 with tiers for an increase of 8.48% overall in the health insurance. He stated the outright increase was going to be 18% but they worked with TML and made some changes to the plan where they felt it would be best for the city and they were able to get the composite rate to 8.48% instead of 18% the big significance there is they felt the tiers proposal which calls for a separation of spouse only, children only, and family would be beneficial. Currently there are 136 employees and the city pays \$399.92 that rate was going to increase to \$471.92 but after discussing the different options the rate will be \$433.84 for the city if this rate is approved. *Commissioner Robert de la Garza motioned to approve Option 1 with Tiers. Mayor Diana Martinez seconded Motion carried unanimously.*

**F. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPOINT A DISASTER PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE**

Mr. Ozuna stated this item was placed on the agenda by Commissioner Trino Medina who had an idea of appointing a committee in regards to disaster preparedness.

Commissioner Trino Medina stated he wanted to appoint Chief Roy Contreras to work with him to talk to some businesses to form this committee. He stated he has already spoken with some of the businesses but he would like to speak to more together with Chief Contreras. He stated at this point he would just like to appoint Chief Contreras to Chair that committee.

Mayor Martinez asked if there was some type of description of this committee.

Commissioner Medina replied not at the moment but they would be working on it.

Commissioner Maria del Pilar Garza asked if this committee was just going to be with the Alamo businesses.

Commissioner Medina replied that was correct.

Mayor Martinez stated at this time the only member of the committee would be Chief Roy Contreras.

Commissioner Trino Medina replied yes, as the Chair. *Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to appoint Chief Roy Contreras to the disaster preparedness committee. Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.*

**G. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A REPORT REGARDING EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO THE SEWER SYSTEM**

Mr. Ozuna stated the city experienced some water breaks due to the major rain throughout the city. The most expensive were the sewer line collapses in three areas. One area was collapsed between 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> between De Soto & Ellis and they had to replace all of that line. While that repair was



being done they started to receive calls that water was backing up in a different area from 10<sup>th</sup> Street to Alamo Road and that line was too deep for our backhoes so we had to call in a company to come in and replace the whole lines since there are 60 year old clay lines in that area since it is the original Townsite of the city. They are getting old and when the rain saturates the ground it collapses the lines and they need to be replaced. One repair was about \$32,000 and the other was about \$39,000 which are very expensive but they were necessary. He stated they also had the collapse of a man hole at the Hacienda Estates and they also had to hire a company since the man hole was very deep and thankfully it was reported by a resident and they were able to take care of the issue before the water got to the residents. That repair to the manhole was \$12,500. He stated the company that was hired was Saenz Construction who was already in the city working on another project which is why they requested their assistance.

Mayor Martinez asked if this was just a report.

Mr. Ozuna replied he would like to request approval. *Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve the emergency repairs. Commissioner Robert de la Garza seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**H. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A REGISTERED HOME DAYCARE (KIDZ -N- CARE), PHYSICALLY LOCATED AT 432 MONTERREY; LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 29, LA CASA REAL SUBDIVISION FOR SARAI CAMPOS**

CP&D Director, Bobby Salinas stated the subject site is located 1,320' East of Tower Road along the East side of Monterrey Drive. The applicant wishes to change the ownership of the daycare. The conditional use permit was being operated by the applicant's mother who recently passed away. This CUP has been in existence for 15 years. Ms. Campos started in 2009 and is licensed by Texas Health and Human Services Commission (Child Care Licensing) and has many other certificates which are in the packets. Staff is recommending approval subject to city compliance, health code compliance and acquiring a business license under her name. *Commissioner Robert de la Garza motioned to approve. Mayor Diana Martinez seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**I. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON PROPOSED "QUALITY HEAVY SUBDIVISION" BEING A SUBDIVISION OF 10.003 ACRES OUT OF LOT 7, ENGLEMAN SUBDIVISION NO.2. DEVELOPER: RTE INVESTMENTS, LLC, ROBERT TUDOR. ENGINEER: MELDON & HUNT INC.**

CP&D Director Bobby Salinas stated the proposed subdivision is located on the NE corner of Border Road and Business 83. This subdivision contains only 1 lot which measures 375' X 126.71' (8.334 ac. Net), thus exceeding the City's minimum area requirements. The proposed development will be for a used tractor truck parts (salvage yard). Salvage yards are required to come before City Commission for approval. This salvage yard was approved by the City Commission back in June 2017. The water belongs to North Alamo Water Supply. The developer will provide water by tapping into an existing 12" water line between Whalen and Border Road. There will be four fire hydrants as required by the Fire Marshal. There will be septic tanks. The developer will be dedicating an additional 30' ROW along Border in order to comply with MPO and also dedicating another 5' along Whalen. Drainage will be accomplished through onsite detention on the south side of the lot which will be discharged into a ditch on Whalen Road. As far as other comments they must install or escrow the 5' sidewalk along Border & Whalen. They must provide water district exclusion to the City of Alamo, must provide a 10' solid wood fence along the perimeter of the salvage storage area and the owner must maintain the 24' fire access. Staff recommends approval subject to the exclusions discussed.

Mayor Diana Martinez asked Mr. Salinas why the Planning & Zoning Board denied the request.

Mr. Salinas replied he had looked into that and it was approved so it was more of a copy and paste error on the report. ***Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to approve the proposed subdivision. Commissioner Robert de la Garza seconded. Motion carried unanimously.***

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

Luis Hess addressed the City Commission regarding replacing sewer lines on an annual basis to be proactive and not wait until we have problems after a storm.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales stated regarding the flooding issue he would like to get more information to target the areas that are constantly flooded like Duranta, Jasmine, and Hector Drive & Date Palm. These areas always flood when there is heavy rain and the perception is nothing has been done.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.074 Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting, Discussion and deliberation regarding the Evaluation, Duties, Dismissal, and/or Appointment concerning the position of City Secretary**

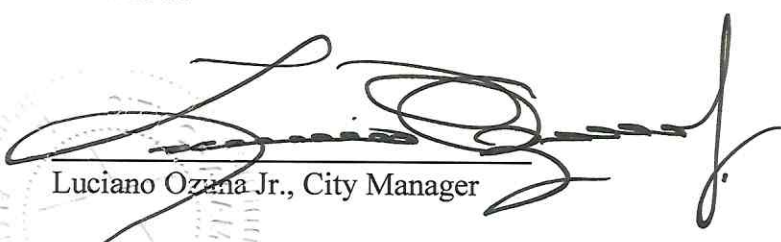
The Commission entered Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

***Commissioner Medina motioned to remove the appointment of Margot Salas as the Alamo City Secretary. Commissioner de la Garza seconded. Mayor Diana Martinez & Commissioner Maria del Pilar Garza opposed. Motion carried.***

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mayor Diana Martinez adjourned the meeting.

  
Mayor Diana Martinez

**ATTEST:**

  
Luciano Ozuna Jr., City Manager

