

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Alamo, Texas met for the First Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 7:00 p.m, at the City of Alamo Municipal Building.

COMMISSION PRESENT:

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

COMMISSION ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Luciano Ozuna, Jr., City Manager
Cris Palacios, City Attorney
Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary
Bobby Salinas, CPD Director
Adela Perez, Purchasing Agent
Ronnie Cruz, City Engineer
Julio Villarreal, Public Works Director
Lori Solis, Library Director
Melisa Gonzales, Special Projects

Yvette Mendoza, Finance Director
Alicia Cano, Human Resources
Baudelio Castillo, Police Chief
Roy Contreras, Fire Chief
Rafael Tapia, AEDC Director

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Diana Martinez called the first regular meeting held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 to order at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Alamo Municipal Building. Matthew Mendoza led the Pledge of Allegiance and Father Angel led the Invocation.

C. Presentation and Announcements.

Ms. Gloria Espinoza introduced 2019 Royal Court to the board of commission:

*Miss Alamo- Daniela Itzel Zapata
Miss Alamo Princess- Gabriella Isabel Salinas
Miss Alamo Duchess- Fatima Lizbeth Ruiz
Miss Alamo Ambassador- Vanessa Diaz*

Mr. Luciano Ozuna announced new Finance Director, Ms. Yvette Mendoza and new Purchase Agent, Ms. Adela Perez.

Commissioner Pete Morales congratulated Lady Wolverine Powerlifters to advance to State in Waco on March 16th:

*Brittney Salcido
Victoria Trevino
Laura Gomez
Amme Alcorchas
Devany Morales
Natalie Maldonado
Alicia Gomez
Crystal Borrego
Kaylen Flores*

Father Angel also congratulated PSJA Folkloric Dancers

Commissioner Trino Medina announced the Alamo Lions Club will be hosting a remembrance of the Railroad accident, it will be held on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:00pm, business 83 and Tower. The Lion Club will be selling burger plates and arts and crafts sell at the Resurrection Catholic Church Hall March 30, 2019. Hall proceeds will be used for scholarships, medical needs and July 4th festival funds.

D. Consideration and action to approve the minutes for the second meeting of February 19, 2019.

Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza motioned to approve and Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of February 05, 2019 as presented. Motioned Carried.

E. Consideration and action to enter into an Interlocal agreement with Hidalgo County for Library System Services.

Mr. Luciano Ozuna, City Manager states this agreement is done every year, to work with Hidalgo County for Library System Services.

Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza motioned to approve and Commissioner Pete Morales seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

F. Consideration and action to enter an Interlocal agreement with the PSJA Independent School District for joint use and development of water retention ponds at Farias Elementary and Livas Elementary.

Mr. Luciano Ozuna states this was alleviate the flood issues around the area. The Interlocal agreement was prepared by our City Attorney.

Commissioner Pete Morales asked how it will help around Farias area. Mr. Luciano Ozuna states it will bring all the water in from Date Palm, Royal Palm and Sable Palm. Alleviate the flooding at Alamo Rd and Duranta Ave.

The plans are to expand the existing rectangular pond and utilize the entire area for storm detention.

Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

G. Consideration and action on a variance request to allow the construction of a new home in an R-MH Mobile Home Parks District, physically locate at 423 S. 15th St., legally described as Lot 28, Crockett West Subdivision for Thomas & Elsa Meyers.

Mr. Bobby Salinas, CPD Director presented to allow the construction of a new home in an R-MH Mobile Home Parks District. This subdivision was annexed into the City of Alamo in 1982. There were two existing single family homes built while the subdivision was in the County. Staff also found 1

Variance approval to build a home within this subdivision in 2007, there are a total of 3 single family homes.

Planning and Zoning board voted and carried 6 to 1.

Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

H. Consideration and action on proposed "Santa Fe Subdivision" being a 1.82 Acres tract of land, same being a replat of all of Lot 8 and Lot 9, Resubdivision West 10 AC of Lot 8, Block 30, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision. Developer: Oscar Vita Moderna LLC. Engineer: Rio Delta Engineering.

Mr. Bobby Salinas presented on Santa Fe Subdivision proposed subdivision consists of 7 lots. The engineer has submitted a letter asking for the City to not require the street escrows for El Gato Road and S. 3rd St. El Gato Road is a future 100' ROW, 66' B-B street and S. 3rd St. is a future 50' ROW, with curb and gutter, however, since the City of Alamo will more than likely not annex this area in the near future and any road improvements would most likely be done by the County.

Commissioner Pete Morales asked if they are requesting to be annexed.

Mr. Bobby Salinas confirmed no annexation, but they can voluntary annexed.

Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

I. Consideration and Action on an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement authorizing the County of Hidalgo to provide permit and inspection services for On-site Sewage Facilities (Septic Tanks) within the City of Alamo's Jurisdiction.

Mr. Bobby Salinas presented on Interlocal Agreement authorizing the County of Hidalgo to continue to provide inspection services and issuing permits of septic tanks.

Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to approve and Commissioner Pete Morales seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

J. Consideration and action on a request by the Alamo Firefighters Association for Payroll deduct of their monthly association dues.

Ms. Liza Aguirre President of the Alamo Firefighters Association presented using payroll to pay for monthly dues. This association allows assurance within the organization to guide, support and protect us. It will not cost the City anything; this funding will be deducted from our payroll. Union representatives will be local and present on shifts to make sure rules are followed.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked if this association is voluntary.

Chief Roy Contreras stated all the firefighters agreed except for himself and others who are currently on probation. In addition, stating joining the association is voluntary.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked what is the benefit of this association for the firefighters.

Ms. Liza Aguirre stated this association is to protect the firefighters as well provide aid for future projects.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked council has this been done before and if it's a conflict of interest.

City Attorney Cris Palacios mentioned based on Section 141.008 of the Texas Local Government Code regarding the applicable provision concerning payroll deduction for membership dues City with a population of more than 10,000 shall deduct from an firefighter's monthly salary or wages for a payment of membership dues to a bona fide employees' association named by the employee:

- (1) if requested in writing by employees who are fire protection personnel;*
- (2) if the municipality receives revenue from the state; and*
- (3) if the municipality permits deductions for purposes other than charity, health insurance, taxes, or other purposes for which the municipality is required by law to permit a deduction.*

Mr. Luciano Ozuna asked if the City of San Juan part of the association

Ms. Liza Aguirre mentioned there are current 9 fire departments that are part of the association.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked why the Chief will not be joining.

Chief Roy Contreras stated he is unable to join because he's in an appointed position which cannot join the association.

Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza to approve and Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

K. Consideration and action to award the bid for the Oakwood Subdivision, 15th St. and Sunset Subdivision water and sewer improvements.

Mr. Luciano Ozuna presented on the award for the bid for the Oakwood Subdivision. Seventeen (17) bids received on February 20, 2019. The lowest responsible Bidder, Venser Contractors, LLC from Edinburg, Texas submitted a Base Bid of \$285,973.00, Additive Alternate Bid No. 1 of \$51,168.00 and Additive Alternate Bid No. 2 of \$56,485.00 for a Total Bid Amount of \$393,626.00 Sewer Line Improvements along Crockett Avenue Project in the City of Alamo, Texas.

Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza motioned to approve and Commissioner Trino Medina seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

L. Consideration and action on a request from the Alamo Lions Club to hold a 4th of July 2019 Celebration including:

Fireworks display

Use of the baseball fields

Beer Garden

Closing of 7th Street from Ridge Road to Fannin Avenue

Father Angel presented on the 4th of July 2019 Celebration, to continue last year's success. Father Angel asks to use City's parks and equipment for this year's celebrations. From past fundraisers there was no debt and was able to offer a successful celebration to the city.

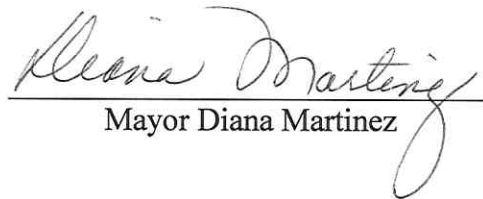
Mayor Diana Martinez motioned to approve and Mayor Pro-Tem Robert De La Garza seconded to approve. Motioned Carried.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Five minutes per person with no response from the City Commission.

Pastor Dino Tuttle thanked the Alamo Police Department for their participation on in Sunday's event at his church.

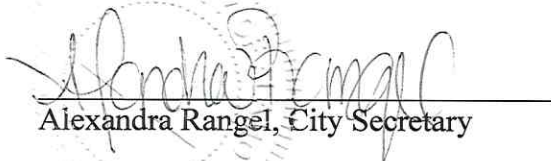
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Diana Martinez adjourn the meeting at 7:39 pm



Mayor Diana Martinez

ATTEST:



Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary