

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Alamo, Texas met for the Regular Meeting on Tuesday June 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m, at the City of Alamo Municipal Building.

COMMISSION PRESENT:

Mayor Diana Martinez
Pete Morales, Commissioner
Pilar Garza, Commissioner
Trino Medina, Commissioner

COMMISSION ABSENT:

Robert De La Garza, Mayor Pro-tem

STAFF PRESENT:

Robert L. Salinas, Interim City Manager
Cris Palacios, City Attorney
Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary
Melisa Gonzales, Special Projects
Yvette Mendoza, Finance Director
Roy Contreras, Fire Chief
Alicia Cano, Human Resources
Julio Villarreal, Public Works Director

Hugo Perales, Computer Technician
Rogelio Alaniz, Interim Police Chief
Saul Solis, Interim Police Chief
Adela Perez, Purchasing Agent

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Diana Martinez called the first regular meeting held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 to order at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Alamo Municipal Building. Mayor Diana Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance and Father Angel led the Invocation.

C. Presentations and Announcements

Special Projects Director Melisa Gonzales announced this Saturday, June 22 students from Behavior Health Solutions will be doing a graffiti cleanup at the sports complex. On Friday, June 28, the first musical night at Down Town Central Park at 7:30pm. In addition, this Saturday June 29 at Fire Station No. 2 will be conducting a file of life event from 10am-1pm.

Lion President Nelly announced the 4th of July celebration from 3pm-10pm.

Commissioner Pete Morales thanked Arnold Robles, Steve Vela and the volunteers for a successful track and tennis tournament and the Alamo Police Department and Med Care for helping out. In addition, wishing the wolverines good luck as they compete in the All-Stars game.

Father Angel announced this Sunday will be an honorary service to honor Chief Rolando Espinoza at 7:30pm

D. Consideration and action to approve the minutes for the first regular meeting of June 4, 2019

Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to approve Commissioner Pete Morales seconded. Motioned carried.

E. Consideration and action to approve the minutes for the special meeting of June 10, 2019

Commissioner Trino Medina motioned to approve Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded. Motioned carried.

F. Consideration and action to approve on an ordinance updating the Drought Contingency Plan for the City of Alamo

Special Projects Director Melisa Gonzales presented on an ordinance to update the Drought Contingency Plan, this is done every 5 years. The Drought Contingency Plan was approved on May 21, 2019; a few minor changes were made from the old ordinance but not significant were affected our ordinances.

Commissioner Pilar Garza motioned to approve Commissioner Trino Medina seconded. Motioned carried.

- G. Consideration and action to appoint new members to the City of Alamo Census 2020 Complete Count Committee

Special Projects Director Melisa Gonzales mentioned that 8 individuals had been appointed but currently 2 have stepped down. A recommendation from the Complete Count Committee is as many members as possible; names are needed by this Friday.

No action taken at this time

- H. Consideration and action to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager as the Authorized Official Representative and the submission of the grant application for the 2018 Operation Stonegarden through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division

Special Projects Director Melisa Gonzales addressed the award amount of \$100,000 from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division to cover overtime and vehicles for the Alamo Police Department.

Commissioner Pilar Garza motioned to approve Commissioner Pete Morales seconded. Motioned carried.

- I. Consideration and action to award the low bid for the lease of the copiers

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas addressed it's time to renew the lease of copiers, it is recommended by our purchasing agent to go with Nevill Document Solutions at a price of \$16,560 for a 2 year contract.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked if we have been in contract with Nevill before. Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas stated that Nevill is our current supplier.

Commissioner Pete Morales motioned to approve Commissioner Trino Medina seconded. Motioned carried.

- J. Consideration and action regarding a contract with Cultura Marketing & Advertising LLC for a marketing agreement for the City of Alamo

Commissioner Pete Morales asked who place this item on the agenda.

Mayor Diana Martinez responded that she did and this was from the last presentation done the last time.

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas confirmed this presentation was done within the last regular meeting. Mr. Torres is proposing over 2,000 tv commercials and radio commercials.

Commissioner Pete Morales stated the investment cost is \$21,561 and currently our EDC have an IT studio and charging at \$1,000 a month. At the moment the chambers is needing of funds and are doing a great job representing the town with the budget that they have.

Commissioner Trino Medina stated the EDC can do this job because they know Alamo a little more and asked Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas for his opinion.

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas responded this decision is what the board feels is best.

Mayor Diana Martinez asked from what account this will be paid from

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas responded if they will be promoting our hotels and motels then it will be coming from that account.

Commissioner Trino Medina stated there are more pressing matters to take care of.

Commissioner Pilar Garza asked if this item can be tabled

City Attorney Rick Palacios responded it can be tabled once there is a motion

For: Mayor Diana Martinez and Commissioner Pilar Garza

Against: Commissioner Trino Medina and Commissioner Pete Morales

No action at this time

- K. Consideration and action on an ordinance to amend Title 6-Motor Vehicles and Traffic: Chapter 4 Traffic Schedules; Section 6-4-2 to add a stop sign at the intersection of County Club Drive and Katrin Drive

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas presented to add a stop sign at the intersection of County Club Drive and Katrin Drive. Mr. Salinas responded public works visited the area to check for a stop sign, and reported no stop sign at this time. He said according to the country club there have been two vehicle accident, that crashed into the house.

Commissioner Pete Morales motioned to approve Commissioner Trino Medina seconded. Motion carried.

Public Hearing on a re-zone from an R-1 (single-Family Dwelling District) to a C (Commercial District) physically located approximately 360' West of intersection of Alamo Rd. and SH 495 along the north side of SH 495, legally described as a 2.29-acre tract of land being the West 301.75' of the south 330' of the East 660' of Lot 6, Block 40, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision for Reinol Gonzalez

No citizen participation

- L. Consideration and action on a re-zone from an R-1 (single-Family Dwelling District) to a C (Commercial District) physically located approximately 360' West of intersection of Alamo Rd. and SH 495 along the north side of SH 495, legally described as a 2.29-acre tract of land being the West 301.75' of the south 330' of the East 660' of Lot 6, Block 40, Alamo Land and Sugar Company's Subdivision for Reinol Gonzalez

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas presented on the re-zone, the site is located approximately 360' West of the intersection of Alamo Rd. and SH 495 along the north side of SH 495 - see vicinity map. The property measures 301.75' X 330.00' (which equates to 84,490 sq. ft.). The existing zones are C (Commercial) to the east and south, R-1 to the west and the north is outside the city limits. Existing land uses are open acreage, and was unanimously approved by the Planning and Zone Commission.

Commissioner Pete Morales motioned to approve Commissioner Trino Medina seconded. Motion carried.

- M. Consideration and action to approve a 5 year contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. to continue to provide Digital Evidence Management services for the Alamo Police Department

Interim City Manager Robert L. Salinas stated that this was originally from a Federal JAG Grant that was approved for two years, up to November 2018. This company is on the by board and the payments will be done on a yearly basis. Mr. Salinas stated a budget amendment must be done to make a payment in the amount of \$23,136.

— *Mayor Diana Martinez asked why hasn't these services been paid, when was it supposed to be paid.*

Special Projects Director Melisa Gonzales stated November 30, 2018

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz stated the previous chief was looking for different vendors for cheaper options, but no luck. He said these services are needed within the police department.

Commissioner Pete Morales motioned to approve Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded. Motion carried

N. Presentation by the Alamo Police Department on new procedures they have implemented within the department

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz presented on the changes within the police department. One change was the addition of patrol personnel and the change of shifts, with the change from 8 hour shifts to 10 hour shifts the decrease of overtime and an increase of overlapping shifts allowing more coverage on the road. In addition, the launching of the Crime Stoppers Program and the Neighborhood Watch program, now these two programs have been registered.

Mayor Diana Martinez asked if this whole time the crime stoppers program was not registered.

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz responded the intent was there, but no it was not.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked who will be the officer in charge of the program.

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz stated Officer Jacob Garcia and who is also charge of our Citizen Academy and Explorers Program.

Commissioner Pete Morales asked does the crime stoppers board have the same guidelines as the CC board, do they need to have quorum.

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz responded he is not familiar with the rules but will find out.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked if the police department have received the vehicles.

Interim Police Chief Rogelio Alaniz responded yes, they are currently at La Feria with Fleet Safety and should be ready within the month.

O. Presentation of AEDC Monthly Report

AEDC Director Rafael Tapia presented on the AEDC Monthly Report, he stated that the program has made a total of 10 loans totaling \$1,405,000 and obligated \$1,162,500 in initial funds. The program has 4 active loans. All current loans fall under the IRP.

As of June 3, 2019, City of Alamo Finance Department reports:

IRP Balance: \$842,649.38

RBEG Balance: \$184,917.54

Total RLF Balance: \$1,027,566.92

Balance Owed: \$225,593.25 (as of June 4, 2019)

As of the June 1, 2019, all accounts were considered current.

Mrs. Kimberly Hess, Ikids Academy paid off account in April. The release of lien was executed May 7th

Mr. Rolando Limon, Poncho's Central Kitchen paid off his account and the release of lien was executed May 30th.

The following activity is for the period covering May 1, 2019 to May 31, 2019. For the reporting period, the program had 2 new contacts.

During the ICSC Recon 2019, the AEDC was able to schedule 11 appointments and 8 cold call visits prior to the trip. In addition the group made 4 more cold calls while at the event. As result, the delegation had 18 meetings where it was able to meet with business representatives and present information on Alamo. In total, the delegation visited 23 trade booths during the course of two days.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked if USDA Land only option is to sell

AEDC Director Rafael Tapia responded that there is a 75 foot gas easement and Duranta road is not suited for commercial use and is in a residential area.

Commissioner Pete Morales asked if any subdivision contractors interested in the land.

AEDC Director Rafael Tapia responded the concern is the market value that decision is between the contractor and the city.

Commissioner Trino Medina asked if IT studios can do videos

AEDC Director Rafael Tapia responded that is outside the contract and will be an additional cost, at the moment they are only doing the social media to promote businesses not the city.

P. Presentation of Departmental Reports

No presentations at this time

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

Lyle Freces presented on the concern of trash and speedbumps

Omar Guerra presented on the concern of the city commission

I. ADJOURNMENT

Citizens are encouraged to sign the attendance sheet.

There being no further business, Mayor Diana Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm


Mayor Diana Martinez

ATTEST:


Alexandra Rangel, City Secretary



