

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Alamo, Texas met for the Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., at the City of Alamo Municipal Building.

**COMMISSION PRESENT:**

Mayor Diana Martinez  
Pete Morales, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Okie Salinas, Commissioner  
J.R. Garza, Commissioner  
Pilar Garza, Commissioner

**COMMISSION ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Robert L. Salinas, City Manager	Sergio Zavala, Planning Director
Alexandra Rangel, Assistant City Manager	Melissa Leal, Water Billing Supervisor
Rick Palacios, City Attorney	Yvette Mendoza, Finance Director
Richard Ozuna, Police Chief	Alice Cano, HR Director
Roy Contreras, Fire Chief	Julio Villareal, Public Works Director
Rafael Tapia, AEDC Director	Sandra Chavez, Parks and Rec. Director
Adela Perez, Purchasing Agent	

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

*Mayor Diana Martinez called the regular meeting held on Tuesday May 16, 2023 to order at 6:00 p.m. at the City of Alamo Municipal Building. Commissioner Okie Salinas led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Tuttle led the Invocation.*

**C. Presentation and Announcements**

*Library Director Lori Solis announced Farias Elementary 3K on Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>, and the city will be closed Memorial Day May 29<sup>th</sup>.*

**D. Consideration and Action to approve the minutes for the emergency meeting of May 02, 2023.**

*Mayor Diana Martinez asked regarding the changes Mayor Pro-Tem was absent.*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**E. Consideration and Action to approve the minutes for the regular meeting of May 02, 2023.**

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Okie Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**F. Consideration and Action on Resolution and Partial Road Closure for Farias Elementary 3K Fun Run 2023.**

*Library Director Lori Solis stated in your packet you will find the annual resolution and partial road closure with map for the Farias Elementary 3K Fun Run 2023. This event will be taking place on Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 9am.*

*Commissioner Okie Salinas motioned to approve, and Commissioner JR Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**G. Consideration and Action on Increasing the Pay Rate for Part-time Summer Sports Coaches.**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated the Parks and Recreation department would like to request an additional assistant coach to our Tennis Program. Due to the high number of participants. We currently have 1 head coach and 1 assistant coach, but with an additional assistant coach, it will allow the participants to get more done. Staff recommends and increase the Head Coach pay rate to \$20/hour and assistant coaches' \$15 per hour. Additional assistant coach to the summer tennis program. City Manager recommended \$17 for Head Coach and \$12 for Assistant Coach.*



*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve \$17 for Head Coach and \$12 for Assistant Coach, and Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales seconded. Motion carried.*

**H. Consideration and Action on a Waterline Access Agreement with North Alamo Water Supply Corporation for The Three Grandes, Ltd.- La Barca Estates Subdivision**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated this is a waterline access agreement between-North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, City of Alamo, and The Three Grandes, for Ltd. -La Barca Estates Subdivision, these agreements are signed when the subdivisions are completed.*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Okie Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**I. Consideration and Action on a Waterline Access Agreement with North Alamo Water Supply Corporation for Tres Canteras, LP- Cantera Hermosa Phase 4 Subdivision.**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated this is a waterline access agreement between-North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, City of Alamo, and Tres Canteras, LP- Cantera Hermosa Phase 4 Subdivision, these agreements are signed when the subdivisions are completed.*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Okie Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**J. Consideration and Action to Approve the Success Fee for Hardship Waiver Approval from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Rehabilitation of the Water Treatment Plant**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated attached is a copy of the Scope of Services portion of the contract with South Texas Grant Research Center. A Decision Memorandum from the EPA in Washington DC regarding a hardship waiver cost sharing report that was submitted to waive the cost sharing requirement to provide a City match in the amount of 20% of the cost of the \$3.5M for the City of Alamo. Receiving the approval from the EPA saved the City of Alamo \$875,000. Since the waiver was approved by the EPA and the City is no longer fiscally responsible to encumber or budget the \$875,000, there is a success fee for obtaining the waiver that is due to STGRC. As per the scope of services/fee schedule of the contract, the cost for successfully obtaining the waiver is 8% of the \$875,000, which equates to \$70,000.*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Okie Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**K. Consideration and Action to Approve the Urban County Requalification for Fiscal Years 2024-2026.**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated the proposed Cooperation Agreement between both the City of Alamo and Hidalgo County would allow the City to be part of the Urban County Program. This allows Hidalgo County to include the City's population for a formula share of entitlement program funds through HUD's CDBG Program, the HOME Investment Partnership Program, and Emergency Solutions Grants Program and other funding as may be authorized by HUD. By partnering up with the County we may not apply for grants under the Small Cities or State CDBG Programs from appropriations for the same fiscal years during the 2024-2026 period. The City of Alamo has been a part of the Urban County Program for several years*

*Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales motioned to approve, and Commissioner JR Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**L. Consideration and Action to Approve a Resolution Supporting the City of Alamo's Application to TxDOT's 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set Aside (TA) Call for Projects.**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated the City of Alamo along with CSRS have been working together to apply for a grant from TxDOT that would allow us to create a Non-Motorized*



*Transportation Plan for the City of Alamo, i.e. Hike and Bike Trail, sidewalk plan, bike lanes plan, etc. Staff's recommends approval of Resolution in order to continue to move forward with the grant application. This item is now before you*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Commissioner Pilar Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**M. Resolution Authorizing Various Actions To Prepare For The Issuance Of The City Of Alamo, Texas [Maintenance Tax Notes] [Public Property Finance Contractual Obligations], Series 2023: And Containing Other Matters Relating Thereto**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated the City of Alamo is going out for the purchase of 2 fire trucks in the amount of approximately \$1.7 million. We are proposing this resolution in order to allow PFM financial advisors to go out for PPFCOs in order to finance the purchase of these vehicles.*

*After a brief discussion from David Gonzalez from PFM a motion carried.*

*Commissioner Okie Salinas motion to approve, and Commissioner JR Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**N. Consideration and Action to Approve the Purchase of Fire Equipment Using Hidalgo County Fire District No. 4 Grant Funds**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated this is to purchase a item is seeking the approval of the City Commission for the purchase of Fire Equipment – see attached quote. The Hidalgo County Fire District No. 4 has granted the City of Alamo \$30,000 with no match for the purchase of the fire equipment and will be paid directly to the vendor by Hidalgo County Fire District No. 4 Board. Since these funds are granted to the City of Alamo and the proposed purchase is more than \$15,000, this item requires City Commission approval.*

*Commissioner Okie Salinas motion to approve, and Commissioner JR Garza seconded. Motion carried.*

**O. Consideration and Action to Approve a Purchase of Phone Landline Recording System through CE Commercial Electronics HGAC Contract No. RP07-20**

*City Manager Robert Salinas stated digital server with phone ports and memory cards for capture of all phone landline calls at the police department. Funding will be from Alamo Police Department Asset Forfeiture funds.*

*Commissioner JR Garza motioned to approve, and Mayor Pro-Tem Pete Morales seconded. Motion carried.*

**P. Presentation of Department Reports**

*Departmental Reports were included in the commissioner's packet, no comments from the City Commission.*

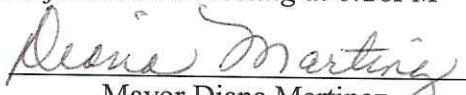
**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:** Five minutes per person with no response from the City Commission. Residents must sign up prior to the city meeting.

*Pastor Tuttle voiced his concern on a ticket*

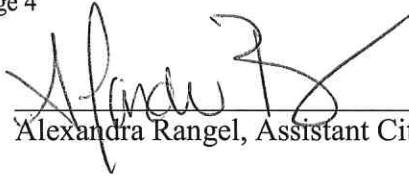
**I. ADJOURNMENT**

Citizens are encouraged to sign the attendance sheet.

*There being no further business, Mayor Diana Martinez adjourned the meeting at 6:28PM*

  
Mayor Diana Martinez

**ATTEST:**

  
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Alexandra Rangel, Assistant City Manager

