

# **CITY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

## **REGULAR MEETING**

**May 14, 2018**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Solis called meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., on May 14, 2018, in the Lyford City Hall meeting room.

### **ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present:

Mayor	Jose G. Solis
Mayor Pro-tem	Tony Chavez
Commissioner	Pablo Morales
Commissioner	Albert Cavazos
Commissioner	Rick Salinas
Commissioner	Maggie Quilantan

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Lydia Moreno	Benito Estrada
Joe Cabrera	Andres Maldonado
Ben Vera	

### **AUDIENCE**

Adolfo Chapa	Monica Castro
Mary Champine	Sandra Tamayo
Rumaldo Aguirre	Timothy Gutierrez
Letty Salinas	Frank Salinas
George Quilantan	Lolly Quilantan
Marivel Quilantan	Janie Gutierrez
Allen Essex	Laura Salinas
Ben Sanchez	Ramon Garza

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the Agenda for the Regular Meeting on May 14, 2018. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and Motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Quilantan made the motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 9, 2018; Workshop and Special Meeting on April 23, 2018. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**PUBLIC  
COMMENTS**

Sandra Tamayo and Mary Champine

**GENERAL  
FUNCTION**

1. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the May 5, 2018 official election results. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

- Tony Chavez 103 votes
- Maggie Quilantan 93 votes
- Jesse Castaneda 59 votes
- Rick Salinas 123 votes
- Albert Cavazos 119 votes

2. Judge Aurelio Guerra administered Oath of Office to all newly elected.

**VISITORS**

3. Mariana Nino: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve request to expand the original driveway at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Simo with the stipulation that Mr. Cabrera supervise the work done by the owner. Commissioner Quilantan seconded. All approved and motion carried.

4. Adolfo Chapa: Commissioner Salinas made the motion to table the request to fence in the backyard in the 10' alleyway for further inquiry. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.

5. Melissa Rodriguez: did not show. Commissioner Chavez to study the problem for next meeting.

**GENERAL  
FUNCTION**

6. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and the City of Lyford for the 911 Addressing. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

7. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the Resolution to approve submission of the grant application for the Operation Stonegarden FY15 to the Office of the Governor.

Commissioner Chavez seconded. All approved and motion carried.

8. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve Resolution(s) for the Lyford Drainage Improvements Project #1 and Project #2 authorizing the submission of Community Development & Revitalization 2015 Non-Housing applications to the Texas General Land Office. Commissioner Morales seconded. Commissioner Salinas abstained.....all others approved and motion carried.
9. Commissioner Salinas made the motion to approve the Policy (with corrections to item #5) as part of the Construction bid specifications to the Home Rehabilitation Assistance (HRA) Program. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to deny to pay for the homeowners and flood insurance for the (7) new homes to be reimbursed by the HOME Program, as requested by Langford Community Management Service. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to invoice G&G Contractors for reimbursement of (6) demolition containers in the amount of \$750.00, as discussed and agreed by Fred Zuniga to reimburse (1) container per home, at a meeting on February 22, 2018. Commissioner Morales seconded. Commissioner Chavez abstained.....all others approved and motion carried.

10. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to move item #10 down. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.
11. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the installation of (22) stop signs and (6) speed bumps in town. City to advertise locations in the newspaper. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
12. Hurricane Awareness community meeting to be held on June 13, 2018, 6 pm to 8 pm.
13. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve a 60-month Xerox lease upgrade (lease renewal) for the Police

Department at \$127.32 per month (includes all except paper and staples). Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

14. Discussed to create and approve the position of a Public Safety Director for Chief Maldonado. Commissioner Morales made the motion to table and bring back to the next meeting. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.
15. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the utility billing adjustment through 4/30/2018. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.
16. Commissioner Morales made the motion to approve the monthly bills and any grant payment requests. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

1. Lyford Municipal Court monthly activity report submitted.
2. Lyford Police Department monthly activity report presented.
3. Lyford Volunteer Fire Department monthly activity report.
4. Public Works Supervisor monthly activity report presented.
5. Secretary's monthly financial reports presented.

## **GENERAL FUNCTION**

Commissioner Salinas made the motion to bring back item #10. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and motion carried.

10. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the quotes for the Lyford Central Park from Black Rock Paving for \$7,175.00; Delta Aggregate & Landscaping Materials for \$4,900.00 (payable upon completion); A&T Pavers & Landscaping for \$9,849.00 (35% down and balance upon completion); and Cabrera Construction for \$4,200.00 labor to install the permanent sign for a total of \$26,124.00 payable from the Capital Improvement Fund. Commissioner Cavazos seconded. All approved and motion carried.

**CLOSED  
SESSION**

Closed Session from 10:00 pm to 10:27 pm

11. Commissioner Chavez made the motion to approve the Resignation of Sandra Tamayo, Gustavo Guerra, Mary Champine, Amos Prado; Approve appointment of Timothy R. Gutierrez as Full time peace officer at \$10.00 per hour; Andres Chavez as a contract Building Inspector at \$500 per month; Approve to advertise for Office Clerk and a Peace Officer. Commissioner Salinas seconded. All approved and motion carried.

Mayor administered Oath of Office to Timothy R. Gutierrez.

**ADJOURNMENT** Commissioner Chavez made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Morales seconded. All approved and meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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**City Secretary**

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**Mayor Jose G. Solis**