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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE

TELECONFERENCE OPEN MEETING

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5, Section 551.041, of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Brownsville will conduct a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, July 06, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. **via Webex Teleconference Meeting by logging on at:**

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Members of the public who submitted a “Public Comment Form” will be permitted to offer public comments as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

CALL TO ORDER

- a) ROLL CALL
- b) INVOCATION

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- **Non-Agenda Items:** Kindly submit a “Public Comment Form” stating the City business or City policy you wish to speak to an hour before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the City Secretary. Forms are not reserved for anyone nor may time be deferred to anyone. PowerPoint presentations may not be accommodated. This period is limited to five (5) speakers with a time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker.
- **Agenda Items:** Kindly submit a “Public Comment Form” stating which item(s) on the agenda you wish to speak to an hour before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the City Secretary. Speakers will be allowed to address the Commission on the agenda item before it is to be considered. The speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.
- **Time Limits:** The City Commission shall have the discretion to modify its regulations regarding time limits on public comment if necessary. For example, the time limit may be shortened to accommodate a lengthy agenda or it could be lengthened to allow additional time for discussion on a complicated matter or if there is a need for an interpreter.

PRESENTATION(S)

Commissioner District 3, Joel Munguia

- Presentation of plaque to Commissioner District 3, Joel Munguia, and his remarks regarding his service.

Commissioner District 4, Ben Neece

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WORK SESSION(S)

As a governmental body, the City Commission will not vote or take any formal action on any items discussed in the work session portion of the agenda.

- 1) Presentation on proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget. (Financial Services Department)

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM(S)

The following are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of the following:
 - a) Minutes of June 15, 2021
- 2) Consideration and **ACTION** to renew term contract for vacant lot mowing services, VLM-35-0617, for one (1) year, as budgeted. (Brownsville Public Health Department)
- 3) Consideration and **ACTION** to extend the existing Cybersecurity software support contract for a one-year term effective August 20, 2021 - August 19, 2022, in the amount of \$57,583.50 with Netsync Network Solutions of Houston, Texas as budgeted. (Enterprise Applications)
- 4) Consideration and **ACTION** to continue the contract with True North Consulting Group for professional services through September 2021 to assist with continued implementation of the Strategic Automation Plan in the amount of \$52,080, as budgeted. (Enterprise Applications)
- 5) Consideration and **ACTION** to authorize the City of Brownsville Multimodal Transportation - Brownsville Metro to offer free rides on grand opening day of Sunday Service, July 25, 2021. (Multimodal Transportation - Transit)
- 6) Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2021-049** for the 2021 Transportation Alternative Set-Aside Program(TASA) application and acceptance of terms and conditions of said grant, as budgeted. (Multimodal Transportation Department - Mobility)
- 7) Consideration and **ACTION** to authorize the interlocal easement agreement between the City of Brownsville and the Housing Authority of the City of Brownsville authorizing construction, operation and maintenance of a bus stop shelter on land located within the Victoria Gardens Complex, as budgeted. (Multimodal Transportation - Transit)
- 8) Consideration and **ACTION** to award the contract to Borderless Studio LLC for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 2021 Choice Neighborhoods-Planning Coordinator in the amount of \$249,525, as budgeted in the HUD 2021 Choice Neighborhoods grant . (City Manager's Office-OSI)

- 9) **CONSIDERATION** and **ACTION** for the authorization of the purchase of 8.01 acre tract of land for the West Brownsville Drainage Improvements Project in the amount of \$175,000.00 plus closing expenses, as budgeted in Capital Improvement Program (CIP). (Engineering and Public Works)
- 10) **Consideration** and **ACTION** to Renew a Term Contract for Uniform Cleaning for the City of Brownsville Police Department to Rex Cleaners of Brownsville, Texas, as per articles of agreement between the City of Brownsville and the Brownsville Police Officer's Association, as budgeted. (Brownsville Police Department)
- 11) **Consideration** and **ACTION** to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for a partnership with Jubilee Academies and the Brownsville Police Department for the Gear Up Program and authorizing Chief Felix Saucedo to sign the MOU on behalf of the City. (Brownsville Police Department)
- 12) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** on **Ordinance Number 2021-1686**, to annex into the City of Brownsville boundary limits a property described as being 12.34 acres out of a 25-acre tract of land, also known as Tract 8-A of an unrecorded subdivision, more or less, out of a 3,030.42 acre tract of land of the Noriega Plantation in Share 1 and Share 17, Espiritu Santo Grant, described in deed dated October 30, 1985, executed by United Savings Association of Texas to Teofilo Flores, Jr. and Catarina Flores, recorded in Volume 11, Page 439, Official Records, Cameron County, Texas. (Planning & Redevelopment Department)
- 13) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** on **Ordinance Number 235-2021-006**, to amend the Zoning Map from Residential Single-Family District (R-1) to Residential Transition (R-3) for a 0.534 acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block 29 of the Media Luna Subdivision in Share 22 of the Espiritu Santo Grant in Cameron County, Texas, located at 2925 Weslaco Road, Brownsville, Texas 78520, as shown in Exhibit "A". (District 4) (Planning & Redevelopment Department)
- 14) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** on **Ordinance Number 235-2021-007**, to amend the Zoning Map from Residential Suburban (R-2) to Residential Transition (R-3) for Lot 31, Block 1, Portway Acres Subdivision, Section 1, Cameron County, Texas, located at 25 Zena Drive, Brownsville, Texas 78521, as shown in Exhibit "A". (District 2) (Planning & Redevelopment Department)
- 15) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** on **Ordinance Number 235-2021-901**, to amend the Zoning Map for three (3) tracts of land as follows:
 - From Agricultural District (AG) to Residential Single-Family District (R-1) for a tract of land being an approximate 149.88 acres
 - From Agricultural District (AG) to Residential Transition District (R-3) for a tract of land being an approximate 8.16 acres
 - From Agricultural District (AG) to Commercial Corridor District (CC) for a tract of land being an approximate 160.66 acresAll out of 1,330.35 acres of land comprised of 2 tracts; Tract 1 being 1,222.12 acres out of a 1282.657-acre tract, being out of Share 1, Espiritu Santo Grant; Tract 2 being a 108.45-acre tract (Known as El Triangulo), being out of Share 1, Espiritu Santo Grant, Cameron County, Texas, located near the intersection of North Interstate-69 and Highway 100, Los Fresnos, Texas 78566, as shown in Exhibit "A". (District 3) (Planning & Redevelopment Department)
- 16) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** on **Ordinance Number 235-2021-902**, to amend the Zoning Map from Agricultural District (AG) to Residential Single-Family District (R-1) for a tract of land being 27.18 acres out of Share 14, Espiritu Santo Grant, Cameron County, Texas, located near Summerhill Boulevard, Brownsville, Texas 78520, as shown in Exhibit "A". (District 4) (Planning & Redevelopment Department)

- 17) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the purchase and installation of 13 Cameras and access points for the Downtown Safe Streets Initiative from Extreme Security & Fire in the amount of \$193,497.98 as budgeted. (Brownsville Police Department)

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- 1) Public Hearing and **ACTION** on the **FIRST READING** on **Ordinance Number 2021-1687** to authorize the City Manager to abandon and close a 5' utility easement located in Lot 47, Block 1, Northwood No. 3 Subdivision Replat B, in exchange for a proposed 5' utility easement located within the same property. (Engineering & Public Works)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION(S)

- 1) Consideration and **ACTION** on Twenty-Third Amended Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency. (City Manager's Office)
- 2) Consideration and **ACTION** to acknowledge receipt of COVID-19 Crisis Cooperative Agreement Grant in the amount of \$975,000.00. (Public Health Department)
- 3) Consideration and **ACTION** for the City Commission to adopt **Resolution Number 2021-040** approving the Texas Department of Transportation sponsored Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) and establishing Safety Performance Targets for Brownsville Metro. (Multimodal Transportation - Transit)
- 4) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve a Substantial Amendment to the 2019 One Year Action Plan to add Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Round 3 funds in the amount of \$1,454,166. (City Manager's Office-OSI)
- 5) Consideration and **ACTION** to award contract LCS-27-0221 Legislative Consulting Contract to Martinez and Associates in the amount of \$72,000. (City Manager's Office)
- 6) Consideration and **ACTION** on American Rescue Plan (ARP) funding allocation of \$65,194,854.00. (City Manager's Office)

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- 1) Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2021-048** to appoint four (4) board members to the Board of Adjustment. (Planning & Redevelopment)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1) Closed session pursuant to Section 551.087(1), Texas Gov't Code regarding commercial or financial information that the City of Brownsville has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City; and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; and to deliberate financial or other incentives to the same; regarding "Project Founder." (City Manager's Office)
- 2) Discussion and deliberation regarding real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, related to the possible purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property located near the downtown area, where deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person, including consultation with attorney to receive confidential legal advice on the matter, pursuant to Section §551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter. (City Manager's Office)

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY ITEM(S) AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOTE: The City Commission of the City of Brownsville reserves the right to discuss any items in Executive Session whenever authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

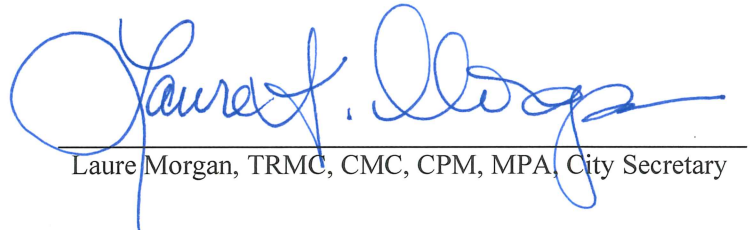
ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the Organizational Development & Human Resources Department at 956/548-6037 (voice or Relay TX) by Tuesday, July 6, 2021, no later than 10:00 A.M., to make proper arrangements.

By: Trey Mendez
Mayor of the City of Brownsville

I certify that a copy of the **July 6, 2021**, Agenda of items to be considered by the Brownsville City Commission was posted on the Bulletin Area at City Hall – Federal Building, on Friday, July 02, 2021. I further certify that the Agenda was posted on the City's website and can be downloaded by accessing:

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Laure Morgan, TRMC, CMC, CPM, MPA, City Secretary