

STATE OF TEXAS )  
COUNTY OF UVALDE )  
CITY OF UVALDE )

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the City Council of the City of Uvalde, Texas, met in a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, with the following members present:

Don McLaughlin, Jr.	Mayor
Rogelio Munoz	Mayor Pro Tem
Margaret Palermo	Councilmember
John H. Flores, Jr.	Councilmember
Stephen E. Balke	Councilmember
Ernest W. "Chip" King, III	Councilmember

Also present:	
Kerry Sweatt	Interim City Manager
Joe Cardenas	Assistant City Manager
Barney Knight	Knight & Partners
Susan Conley	City Secretary
Eric Herrera	Uvalde Police Chief
John Meyer	Lieutenant Uvalde Police Department
Joe Jarosek	Direction of Public Works
Clint Baack	Directors Parks & Recreation
Juan Zamora	Director of Utilities and Sanitation
Susan Anderson	Director of Planning and Community Development
Debra Stifflemire	Executive Director Uvalde Convention & Visitors Bureau
Kasie Morgan	Main Street Manager/Civic Center Manager

Agenda Item No. 1 – Call Meeting to Order

*Mayor Don McLaughlin, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

Agenda Item No. 2 – Invocation

*The Invocation was led by Interim City Manager, Kerry Sweatt.*

Agenda Item No. 3 – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item No. 4 - Minutes

4A. Consider and act on the Minutes of the January 13, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting.

*Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2015 meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilman Stephen E. Balke. Mayor Pro-Tem, Rogelio Munoz, abstained from the vote. Motion carried 5-0-1.*

Agenda Item No. 5 – Citizen’s Input

- 5A. Citizens are requested to sign up prior to council meeting if requesting time to address council. Presentations will be limited to no more than three (3) minutes.

*Jorge Romero, a citizen, asked to speak on Agenda Item 9C.*

*Diana P. Garcia, from South West Texas Junior College, asked to speak on Agenda Item 9F.*

Agenda Item No. 6 - Bills

- 6A. Consider and act on payment of bills over \$5,000.00 from January 14, 2015 through January 21, 2015.

*Motion made by Councilman Stephen E. Balke to approve the payment of bills over \$5,000.00 from January 14, 2015 through January 21, 2015.*

*Motion was seconded by Councilman John H. Flores, Jr.*

*Motion carried 6-0.*

Agenda Item No. 7 - Proclamation

- 7A. Proclamation for Sacred Heart Catholic School declaring Catholic School Week for January 25<sup>th</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

*Mayor Don McLaughlin, Jr. presented the Proclamation to Sacred Heart Catholic School declaring Catholic School Week for January 25<sup>th</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015.*

Agenda Item No. 8 - Report

- 8A. Financial reports by Debra Stifflemire, Executive Director of the Uvalde Convention & Visitors Bureau through the period ending September 30, 2014 (4<sup>th</sup> Quarter).

*Debra Stifflemire, Executive Director of the Uvalde Convention & Visitors Bureau, reported that the Hotel Motel Taxes for the period of July through September 2014 were down to \$87,690.41 and that total assets for the Uvalde Convention and Visitors Bureau were \$331,157.34. Net Income from July through September 2014 was a negative \$10,437.81.*

- 8B. Report by Kasie Morgan, Civic Center Manager, on the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter activities and income collections.

*Kasie Morgan, Civic Center Manager, reported that the Civic Center had 44 non-income generating events, 8 City events, and 19 income events for a total of 71 events from July through September 2014 for a total income of \$20,210.00.*

Agenda Item No. 9 – New Business

- 9A. Consider and act on approval of a Lease Agreement contract with PNC Equipment Finance for mowing equipment for the Parks & Recreation Department.

*This is a three year lease that provides for a three year warranty on leased equipment which will provide a cost savings to the City. Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve the Lease Agreement contract with PNC Equipment. Councilman John H. Flores, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.*

- 9B. Consider and act on a contract between the City of Uvalde, Texas, and John R. Pitts, Attorney at Law, engaging Mr. Pitts to provide strategic law and policy consulting before the Texas Legislature and agencies and departments of state beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.  
*Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve the contract with John R. Pitts. Motion was seconded by Mayor Don McLaughlin, Jr. Motion carried 6-0.*
- 9C. Consider and act on an Agreement between the City of Uvalde, Texas, and Jorge Romero and Valeria Romero, for use of a portion of Commerce Street, for the purposes of construction, installation, and maintenance of a driveway to allow ingress and egress onto Romero's property located at 1819 N. Grove, Uvalde, Texas.  
*Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve the Agreement between the City of Uvalde and Jorge and Valeria Romero. Motion was seconded by Councilman John H. Flores, Jr. Motion carried 6-0.*
- 9D. Consider and act on an agreement between the City of Uvalde and CDS Muery Services for Professional Engineering Services for the street improvement project.  
*Motion made by Councilman John H. Flores, Jr. to approve the agreement between the City of Uvalde and CDS Muery for professional engineering services. Councilman Stephen E. Balke seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.*
- 9E. Consider and act on Municipal Swimming Pool repairs.  
*Councilman Chip King made a motion to accept the Texas Parks and Wildlife Grant for the repairs to the swimming pool. Councilman Stephen E. Balke seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.*
- 9F. Consider and act on a request from the SWTJC Friends and Alumni Network to host a carnival in the Walmart parking lot as part of a scholarship fundraising event.  
*Mayor Pro-Tem Rogelio Munoz made a motion to allow the SWTJC Friends and Alumni Network to host a carnival in March at the Walmart parking lot. Councilman Stephen E. Balke seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.*

Agenda Item No. 10 – Discussion

- 10A. Discussion by Police Chief Eric Herrera regarding purchase of new generation radios for the police department.  
*Forrest Anderson, Middle Rio Grande and Homeland Security Director for the region discussed the need for updated new generation radios in anticipation of Motorola not providing service to existing police department radios after 2019.*

- 10B. Discussion by Britt Wyrick, Uvalde Disc Golf Association, regarding proposed disc golf course expansion.  
*Britt Wyrick of the Uvalde Disc Golf Association received permission from City Council for the expansion of the disc golf course for an additional 9 holes at no cost or labor to the City.*

Agenda Item No. 11 – Executive Session

The City Council of the City of Uvalde, Texas, will convene into executive session in accordance with the purposes permitted by the Open Meetings Act:

- 11A. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, to have deliberations concerning real property.
- 11B. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, and Section 1.05, Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to consult with legal counsel regarding pending litigation.

*The City Council of Uvalde convened into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.*

Agenda Item No. 12 – Reconvene from Executive Session

- 12A. Reconvene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code, to have deliberations concerning real property.  
*No Action Taken*
- 12B. Reconvene into open session to take action in the City Council's discretion regarding pending litigation.  
*No Action Taken*

*The City Council of Uvalde reconvened from Executive Session at 7:47 p.m.*


Agenda Item No. 13 – Adjournment

*Motion made by Councilman Chip King to adjourn. Councilwoman Margaret Palermo seconded the Motion. Motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.*



Don McLaughlin, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

  
Susan M. Conley, City Secretary