

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, July 14, 2015, with the following members present:

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

Also present:

Vince DiPiazza	City Manager
Joe Cardenas	Assistant City Manager
Paul J. Tarski	City Attorney
Susan Conley	City Secretary
Danny Rodriguez	Uvalde Police Patrol Lieutenant
Marty Coursey	Finance Director
Clint Baack	Director of Parks and Recreation

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

Agenda Item No. 3 – Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda Item No. 4 – Citizen's Input

- 4A. 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.
None.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Consent Agenda

(All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item be removed and considered separately.)

5A. Consider and act on the Minutes of the June 23, 2015 Regular City Council Meeting.

5B. Consider and act on payment of bills over \$5,000.00 from June 23, 2015 through July 10, 2015.

- 5C. Consider and act on confirmation and approval of the Mayor's appointment of Amanda Van Cleve to the Opera House Advisory Board, pursuant to Article II, Section 13, of the City Charter.

Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve items listed in the Consent Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Margaret Palermo. Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz abstained from the vote. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Public Hearing & Zoning Matters

- 6A. Open a public hearing on the request of Jose Manuel Ramos, applicant, Case File 20-15PZ to apply for a Special Use Permit to allow applicant to sell alcohol beverages in a Business 3 zone. The property is located at 226 North Getty Street, NCB 43, Old Town Subdivision, Block 12, Lot 175, 176, City of Uvalde, Uvalde County Texas.

The City of Uvalde opened the public hearing on Agenda Item 6A at 6:02 p.m.

Jose Manuel Ramos, applicant, addressed City Council about his ideas and plans for the restaurant and bar, known as "The Huddle". He is the new tenant taking over the establishment. He has received approval for the liquor license from Texas Alcohol Beverage Control Commission (TABC) and hopes to open for business by the end of the July. Due to a city ordinance and zoning restrictions in the Uvalde Municipal Code, Mr. Ramos needs approval for permission to sell alcohol at 226 North Getty Street.

The City of Uvalde closed the public hearing on Agenda Item 6A at 6:05 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 7 – New Business

- 7A. Consider and act on the request of Jose Manuel Ramos, applicant, Case File 20-15PZ to apply for a Special Use Permit to allow applicant to sell alcohol beverages in a Business 3 zone. The property is located at 226 North Getty Street, NCB 43, Old Town Subdivision, Block 12, Lot 175, 176, City of Uvalde, Uvalde County Texas.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz to approve Agenda Item 7A. Councilman Chip King seconded the Motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- 7B. Consider and act on renewing contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLC.

Motion made by Councilman Stephen E. Balke to table Agenda Item 7B until City Council receives a recommendation or report from Municipal Court Judge Andrew W. Hagen regarding the services provided by Linebarger. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz. Motion carried 5-0.

- 7C. Consider and act on Ordinance Amending Chapter 18 of the Uvalde Municipal Code for Historic Preservation Chapters 18.01.040 and 18.01.160.

Vince DiPiazza, City Manager, explained to City Council that this ordinance came about as a result of a request from Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz. The amendment to this ordinance will allow the Planning Director/Historic Preservation Officer to administratively approve signage applications to avoid business owners having to wait a month, or more if there is not a quorum, to have their signage approved. In addition, this ordinance removes the \$50 application fee only for new Certificates of Appropriateness. Motion by Councilman Stephen E. Balke to approve Agenda Item 7C. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz left City Council Chambers at 6:15 p.m.

- 7D. Consider and act on pay request #2 for Alvin Stock in the amount of \$78,198.96 for work on TXCDBG # 713471 (water improvement project).
Motion made by Councilman Stephen E. Balke to approve Agenda Item 7D for payment. Motion was seconded by Councilman Chip King. Motion carried 4-0.
- 7E. Consider and act on a pay request from Utopia Sales & Service in the amount of \$161,835.30 for work done on TXCDBG #713087 (Buda Water Well).
Motion made by Councilman Chip King to approve Agenda Item 7E for payment. Councilman Stephen E. Balke seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz returned to City Council Chambers at 6:21 p.m.

Agenda Item No. 8 - Report

- 8A. Report by Debra Stifflemire, Executive Director of the Uvalde Convention & Visitors Bureau for the 2nd Quarter 2015.
Debra Stifflemire, Executive Director of the Uvalde Convention & Visitors Bureau presented to Council the 2nd Quarter 2015 Profit & Loss Budget, Balance Sheet, & Profit and Loss Statement to Council. Total Income for the quarter was \$73,811.63 with total expenses being 66,066.50 leaving a net ordinary income of 7,745.13.
- 8B. Report by Kasie Morgan, Civic Center Manager on the (January – March) 2nd Quarter 2015 activities.
Kasie Morgan, Civic Center Manager, reported to Council the 2nd Quarter 2015 activities. There were 17 income generating events, 62 non-income generating events and 1 City sponsored event giving a total of 80 events for the 2nd Quarter. Total rental fees for this quarter were \$16,580.00. Council members asked about the use of the Cactus Room by non-profits. Ms. Morgan explained that the rental of the Cactus Room is free and is sometimes not left in great condition after use. There was some discussion by Council about possibly requesting a refundable rental deposit for the use of the room or limiting the rental of the room to 5 free uses before a nominal charge was implemented. Council tasked Ms. Morgan and

Mrs. Stifflemire to come up with some proposals for the use of the room for Council to discuss at a future meeting.

Agenda Item No. 9 – Council Discussion

- 9A. Discussion by Councilman Chip King in regards to the water fountain located on the downtown plaza.

Councilman Chip King reported that at a recent Finance Committee meeting the subject of beautification of the fountain on the down town green was discussed. Councilman King has drawings from John Graves that date back to 1961. At that time it cost \$12,000 to build the fountain which was funded mainly by private citizens with the agreement that the City would maintain the fountain. That lasted for about 10 plus years until there was some damage to the inner workings of the fountain. As a result, the fountain was filled in and is no longer operational. Councilman King would like to stimulate some community interest in restoring the original fountain with colored lights to its original state. Councilman King has spoken with Vic Hilderbran about possibly using some of the Eagle Scouts to take on the project to help restore the fountain. Mayor and Council members agreed with Councilman King and urged him to pursue ideas on means to having the restoration of the fountain commence.

- 9B. Discussion concerning possible annexation of 1008 South Getty Street, Abstract 31, Survey 70, owned by B & SE Properties, LLC.

City Manager, Vince DiPiazza, informed City Council that he had received a letter requesting annexation from the property owner, Ben Elliott. It is a contiguous lot with a portion of the tract of land residing within the County of Uvalde. The frontage of the property that lies on FM 117 is within the City limits. There is no problem delivering City water and sewer services to the property. If the property were annexed the entire parcel would be subject to R-1 zoning restrictions. City Council directed staff to proceed with negotiations for annexation.

Agenda Item No. 10- 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:

- 10A. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, consultations with attorney regarding water regulations.

The City Council of Uvalde convened into Executive Session at 6:47 p.m.

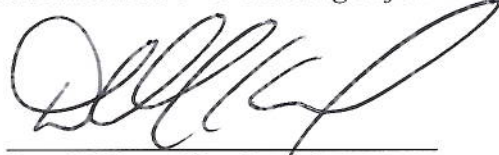
Agenda Item No. 11 – Reconvene from Executive Session

- 11A. Reconvene from Executive Session and take action as deemed appropriate in the City Council's discretion regarding water regulations.

The City Council of Uvalde reconvened from Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Rogelio Munoz to accept the City Attorney's advice and proceed with matters as discussed in Executive Session. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Margaret Palermo. Motion carried 5-0.

Agenda Item No. 12 – Adjournment

Motion for adjournment made by Councilman Chip King. Motion was seconded by Councilman Stephen E. Balke. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.



Don McLaughlin, Jr., Mayor

Attest:


Susan M. Conley, City Secretary