



**A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE WESLACO CITY COMMISSION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2015**

On this 26th day of October 2015 at 7:04 p.m., the City Commission of the City of Weslaco, Texas convened in a Special Meeting at City Hall in the Legislative Chamber, located at 255 South Kansas Avenue with the following members present:

Mayor	David Suarez
Commissioner	David R. Fox
Commissioner	Greg Kerr
Commissioner	Gerardo “Jerry” Tafolla
Commissioner	Lupe Rivera
Commissioner	Fidel L. Pena, III
City Manager	Mike R. Perez
City Secretary	Elizabeth Walker

Also present: Jose Pena, IT Director; Maria Barrera, Finance Director; Assistant Chief Ted Walensky, Police Department; Mardoqueo Hinojosa, Planning and Code Enforcement Director and City Engineer; and other staff members and citizens.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Certification of Public Notice.
Mayor Suarez called the meeting to order and certified the public notice of the meeting as properly posted Friday, October 23, 2015.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance.
The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Roll Call.
Ms. Elizabeth Walker, City Secretary, called the roll, noting the absence of Mayor Pro-Tem Noriega.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Mardoqueo Hinojosa, City Engineer, reported on the six drainage areas after the weekend flooding incident, particularly drains 37, 35, and 17B2, and noted that other state and federal entities restrict discharges into the floodway to protect other communities downstream.

Mr. Raul Sestin, General Manager of Drainage District #1, reported on the drainage network and stated this intensity of rainstorm was an anomaly; with recorded 10.3” in four hours, it nearly qualifies as a 500 year storm.

Dr. Gloria Egli, resident of Las Brisas, recommended a manmade lake. Mr. Paul McDaniel commented that the discharge bottlenecked in the areas of South Border Avenue. Ms. Sandra Reyna, 217 S. Pat Cannon, commented on the lack of preparation by the City with late sandbag distribution.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and consideration to approve the Professional Services Agreement with the Law Office of Juan E. Gonzalez, PLLC as City Attorney for the City of Weslaco and authorize the Mayor to execute any related documents. Possible action. (Requested by Commissioners Fox and Kerr.) Attachment.

Commissioner Tafolla, seconded by Commissioner Rivera, moved to approve as presented.

The City Manager noted the terms include \$175.00/hour with no retainage and with a thirty-day termination notice in a public meeting or by standard mail. The City Attorney will attend Commission meetings and other meetings by request; he must disclose any enlisted special counsel.

The motion carried unanimously; Mayor Suarez was present and voting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the commission, at 8:15 p.m. Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commissioner Kerr, moved to adjourn the October 26, 2015 special meeting. The motion carried unanimously; the Mayor was present and voting.

CITY OF WESLACO

MAYOR, David Suarez

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY, Elizabeth Walker

ABSENT
MAYOR PRO-TEM, Olga Noriega

COMMISSIONER, David R. Fox

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