

MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 3, 2016 -6:00 P.M.  
MERCEDES CITY HALL - COMMISSION CHAMBERS

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Henry Hinojosa	Mayor
	Armando Lopez	Mayor Pro-Tem
	Jose M. Gomez	Commissioner
	Ruben Guajardo	Commissioner
	Juan Molina	City Attorney
	Ricardo Garcia	City Manager

MEMBERS ABSENT: Commissioner Wade

Staff: Amanda Morales, Hernan Gonzalez, Jaime Sandoval, Frank Rios, Marisol Vidales and Arturo Garcia.

**1.) CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Hinojosa called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2.) ESTABLISH QUORUM.**

A quorum of the commission was present. Commissioner Wade was absent

**3.) INVOCATION.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez said the invocation.

**4.) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Commissioner Wade led the pledge of allegiance.

**5.) OPEN FORUM.**

Mayor Hinojosa read a proclamation in honor of Beto Carr and his family's success in boxing.

**6.) CONSENT AGENDA (ORDINANCE NO. 98-21):**

**A.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING (S) HELD SEPTEMBER 20, 2016. B.) APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS WITH BASEBALL LEAGUES: MERCEDES YOUTH SPORTS (PONY LEAGUE), MERCEDES PONY LEAGUE AND MERCEDES LITTLE LEAGUE. C.) ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT. D.) APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH TMLIRP FOR CITY'S LIABILITY/E&O/PHYSICAL, PROPERTY/MOBILE/FLOOD INSURANCE. E.) APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH SHEPPARD, WALTON, KING FOR CITY'S WORKER'S COMP INSURANCE.**

Commissioner Gomez made a motion to approve all items under consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez and passed unanimously.

**7.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RODEO PALMS OF MERCEDES RV PARK.**

Mayor Hinojosa made a motion to approve Rodeo Palms of Mercedes RV park on the condition that the age of residents be restricted to 55 and over. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guajardo and passed unanimously.

**8.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO 2016-15 REGARDING MEMBERSHIP TO THE KEEP MERCEDES BEAUTIFUL BOARD MEMBERS.**

Staff is requesting that the membership requirements be lowered from 15 to 9. Commissioner Guajardo made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-15 regarding membership to the Keep Mercedes Beautiful board. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez and passed unanimously.

**9.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE KEEP MERCEDES BEAUTIFUL BOARD.**

Mayor Hinojosa made a motion to appoint Becky Gracia to serve on the Keep Mercedes Beautiful Board. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Lopez and passed unanimously.

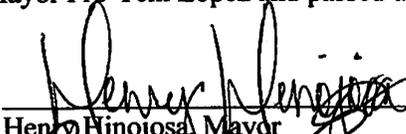
**10.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WESLACO FOR ANIMAL IMPOUNDMENT SERVICES.**

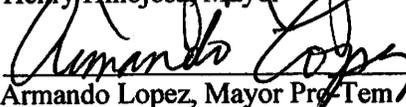
Mayor Hinojosa made a motion to approve an agreement with City of Weslaco for animal impoundment services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Guajardo and passed unanimously.

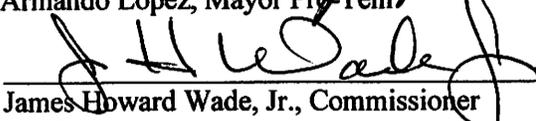
**11.) ADJOURN.**

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Guajardo made a motion to adjourn the

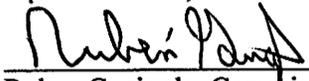
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Armando Lopez, Mayor Pro-Tem

  
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James Howard Wade, Jr., Commissioner

  
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Jose M. Gomez, Commissioner

  
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Ruben Guajardo, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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Arcelia L. Felix, City Secretary