

August 14, 2015

A Special Meeting of the Harlingen Elective Commission was held on Friday, August 14, 2015 at 11:30 a.m., City Hall, Town Hall Meeting Room, 118 E. Tyler Street, Harlingen, Texas. Those in attendance were:

Mayor and Commissioners

Mayor Chris Boswell
Mayor Pro-Tem Victor Leal, District 5
Danny Castillo, Commissioner District 1
Tudor Uhlhorn, Commissioner District 2
Michael Mezmar, Commissioner District 3
Ruben De La Rosa, Commissioner District 4

Staff Present

Dan Serna, Assistant City Manager
Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary
Richard Bilbie, City Attorney

1) Public hearing on the City of Harlingen's Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Elvia Trevino, Finance Director stated the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 would be .588827 and this rate was the same for the past six years. This would be the first public hearing and the second public hearing was scheduled for August 19, 2015.

Mayor Boswell announced this was a public hearing and anyone wishing to speak for or against the proposed tax rate could do so.

There being no comments, Mayor Boswell declared the public hearing closed.

Mayor Boswell stated the proposed budget was great and the tax rate would remain the rate the same.

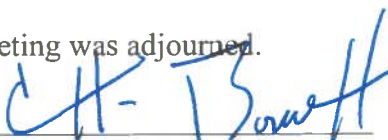
No Action was taken.

2) Consider and take action authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Harlingen Police Department, to approve and sign the Texas Department of Transportation - State and Highway Safety Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2016.

Hector Leal, Harlingen Police Captain stated the Harlingen Police Department was requesting approval to submit a grant for funding to the Texas Department of Transportation – State and Highway Safety Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2016. The grant was also known as the Commercial Motor Vehicle Grant. The funding would allow police officers on extra-duty to enforce applicable traffic laws related to commercial motor vehicles. The goal of this program was reduce commercial motor vehicle crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving vehicles with a vehicle body type of “Semi-Trailer” or “Truck-Tractor”. The term of the grant was for one-year commencing October 1, 2015 and expired September 30, 2016. The grant was for \$15,327.69 with a City match of \$5,357.54 and the eligible funding from the State was \$9,970.15.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Leal and seconded by Commissioner Uhlhorn to authorize the Mayor on behalf of the Harlingen Police Department to execute the grant application and submit to the Texas Department of Transportation – State and Highway Safety Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.


Chris Boswell, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary