

Special City Commission Meeting
March 26, 2012
Town Hall, City Hall
5:30 p.m.
118 E. Tyler Street
Harlingen, Texas

A Special meeting of the Harlingen Elective Commission was held on Monday, March 26, 2012 at 11:30 a.m. in Town Hall, City Hall, 118 E. Tyler Street, Harlingen, Texas. Those in attendance were:

Mayor and Commission

Mayor Chris Boswell
Jerry Prepejchal, Mayor Pro Tem District 4
Danny Castillo, Commissioner District 1
Robert Leftwich, Commissioner District 2
Michael Mezmar, Commissioner District 3
Joey Trevino, Commissioner District 5

Staff present

Carlos Yerena, City Manager
Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary
Roxann Pais Cotroneo, City Attorney
Gabriel Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager

Mayor Boswell called the meeting to order, a quorum was established. He stated a notice of the meeting had been duly posted according to state law and the following proceedings were held.

Pledge of Allegiance/ Welcome

Mayor Boswell led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed everyone in attendance.

- 1) Appointment of Canvass Committee to canvass the election results from the March 16, 2012 City of Harlingen Special Election to fill the position of City Commissioner District 3.

Mayor Boswell stated the entire City Commission would convene as the official canvassing board to canvass the election returns for the March 16, 2012 Special Election.

Amanda Elizondo, City Secretary stated a Special Election was held on March 16, 2012 to fill the unexpired term of City Commissioner District 3. Ms. Elizondo furnished the envelopes to the City Commission containing the election returns indicating the amount of votes that each of the candidates received, the combination forms listing the names and signatures of all the people that participated in the election from District 3, the tape from the M-100 Precinct Counters for Early Voting and Treasure Hills Elementary School. She briefly highlighted the following information.

CITY OF HARLINGEN
UNOFFICIAL SPECIAL ELECTION DISTRICT 3
TABULATION
MARCH 16, 2012

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Polling Place</u>				<u>Total Votes</u>	<u>%</u>
	<u>City Hall Early Vote</u>	<u>Mail-In</u>	<u>Treasure Hills Elementary</u>	<u>Provisional</u>		
Mike Mezmar	309	3	219	1	532	76.11
Tom Hushen	65	0	102	0	167	23.89

Total Votes	374	3	321	1	699	100%
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BREAKDOWN BY PRECINCT

Pct. 30	89	0	51	1	23.80 %
Pct. 34	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Pct. 34a	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Pct, 44	197	1	218	0	52.67 %
Pct. 79	85	2	46	0	22.73 %
Pct. 88	0	0	0	0	0.00 %
Pct. 89	3	0	6	0	0.80 %
Total	374	3	321	1	100 %

- 2) Consider and take action to approve a resolution announcing results of the Canvass of the March 16, 2012 City of Harlingen Special Election for the City Commissioner District 3.

Motion was made by Commissioner Castillo and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal to approve the resolution declaring the results of the March 16, 2012 Special Election. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. R12-22

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CAMERON**

WHEREAS, a Special Municipal Election was held on the 16th day of March, 2012 in the City of Harlingen for the election of one Commissioner, District 3; and

WHEREAS, a canvass of the returns of said Special Municipal Election was duly made by the canvassing committee and the results of the canvass were received by the Elective Commission of the City of Harlingen on this the 26th day of March 2012 in accordance with Chapter 67, Section 67.001 of the Texas Election Code.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF HARLINGEN:

That, at the March 16, 2012 Special Municipal Election of the City of Harlingen the following candidates received the indicated number of votes.

FOR Commissioner, District 3

Mike Mezmar	<u>532</u>
Tom Hushen	<u>167</u>

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED pursuant to the Charter of the City of Harlingen that: Mike Mezmar is herewith declared as duly elected City Commissioner for District 3.

READ, CONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 26th day of March 2012 at a Special Meeting of the Elective Commission of the City of Harlingen at which a quorum was present and which was held in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Local Government Code as amended.

CITY OF HARLINGEN
BY: /s/Chris Boswell, MAYOR

ATTEST:
/s/Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary

- 3) Swearing In and Oath of Office to newly elected official.

Maria Dolores Hernandez administered the Oath of Office to Michael Mezmar, newly elected City Commissioner for District 3.

Commissioner Mezmar thanked everyone for attending the swearing-in ceremony. He thanked Ms. Hernandez whom he has known for the past thirty years when he came to Su Clinica Famlar and Father Antonio for his spiritual guidance.

- 4) Consider and take action to approve Resolution accepting Valley International Airport's amended capital expense and capital improvement budget for fiscal year

2011-2012 to expend \$290,000.00 for the additive alternate North General Aviation Apron.

Michael Browning, Airport Director stated the Airport Board had solicited bids for the North General Aviation Apron Additive Project. He briefly reported on the project and stated it had slightly gone over budget. The request for bids included additional work to square off the apron rather than having to do the work at another time at a higher cost. On March 19, 2012, the Airport Board voted to amend the budget to include the additional work with the allocated funding of \$90,000 from the Federal Aviation Administration Grant and 10% (\$29,000) from the Airport Reserve Fund. The total cost of the project was \$279,000.

Commissioner Mezmar inquired about the amount of funds in the Airport Reserve Fund.

Mr. Browning responded at the end of March 2012, the Airport Reserve Fund had 4.2 million dollars.

Commissioner Castillo stated with this amount of funding, the Airport Board would be able to leverage a good amount of money with a small local investment.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal and seconded by Commissioner Leftwich to approve the resolution accepting Valley International Airport's Amended Capital Expense and Capital Improvement Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 to expend \$290,000 for the additive alternate North General Aviation Apron Project. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Consider and take possible action to appoint members to the City's Charter Review Advisory Committee, if created by a majority vote of the Harlingen City Commission on March 26, 2012.

Roxann P. Cotroneo, City Attorney recommended to table the item because the resolution creating the Advisory Charter Committee was not included in the agenda.

Motion was made by Commissioner Castillo and seconded by Commissioner Leftwich to table Item No. 5. Motion carried unanimously.

At 11:54 a.m., Mayor Boswell announced the City Commission would convene into Executive Session to discuss Item No. 6 a. & b.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal and seconded by Commissioner Mezmar to go into executive session to discuss Item No. 6 a. & b. Motion carried unanimously.

- 6) Executive Session to discuss the following items:
- a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek advice regarding Charles Lee vs. City of Harlingen, Cause No. 2010-DCL-4849 in the 103rd Cameron County District Court.
 - b) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D., V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding the Interlocal Agreements for Tax Increment Financing Reinvestment Zones No. 1, 2, and 3.

At 12:42 p.m., Mayor Boswell announced the City Commission had completed its executive session and declared the meeting opened to the public. He then proceeded with the following items.

- 7) Consider and take action to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron County regarding the County's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1

Motion was made by Commissioner Leftwich and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron County regarding the County's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) Consider and take action to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron Count regarding the County's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2.

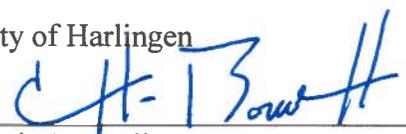
Motion was made by Commissioner Leftwich and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron County regarding the County's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2 as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

- 9) Consider and take action to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron County regarding the Count's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 3

Motion was made by Commissioner Leftwich and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Prepejchal to approve a revised Interlocal Agreement between the City and Cameron County regarding the County's participation in the City's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 3 as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Boswell declared the meeting adjourned.

City of Harlingen


Chris Boswell, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary