

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §

MINUTES of a **Special Meeting** of the City Commission of the City of Brownsville, Texas, held in the Commission Chambers, on the Second Floor of the Brownsville City Hall – (Old Federal Building), located at 1001 East Elizabeth Street, Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas, on **Tuesday, May 10, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.** with the following members present:

EDDIE TREVIÑO, JR.		MAYOR
RICARDO LONGORIA, JR.)	
DAVID A. BETANCOURT)	
CARLOS A. CISNEROS)	
ERNESTO L. DE LEON)	
SALLY MINIEL ARROYO)	COMMISSIONERS

CHARLIE CABLER		CITY MANAGER
CARLOS AYALA, JR.		ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
JIM GOZA		CITY ATTORNEY
INELDA T. GARCIA		CITY SECRETARY

Absent:

JOSEPH A. ZA VALETTA, M.D.)	COMMISSIONER
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A quorum being present, Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr., asked Ms. Inelda T. Garcia, City Secretary, to read the call to consider the following matters as posted and filed for the record in The Office of the Secretary on May 06, 2005:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: UNITED STATES PLEDGE * TEXAS PLEDGE

The U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge were lead by Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr. and City Commissioners.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Brownsville City Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr.

ACTION ITEM:

1. ACTION regarding a request from the Boys and Girls Club for financial assistance for their programs.

Mr. Chuck Thirlwall, Brownsville Boys & Girls Club Board member, noted that the request for assistance was a one-time request for funding the club's Summer Youth Program which serviced 1,200 children. He noted that the Club had received funds from the Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation (BCIC) and that representatives of the National Boys & Girls of America, who would be visiting the club in Brownsville on Wednesday, would match the amount of the City's financial assistance. Mr. Thirlwall noted that the Club would be holding a "One-dollar-a-Week" fundraiser and anticipated raising additional funds.

In response to Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo's suggestion, Mr. Skip Keller, Parks Manager, stated that the Parks Department could not handle the Boys & Girls Club Summer Program, at this time.

Mayor Treviño suggested that the amount of \$44,000 from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) surplus funds and the amount of \$21,000, from the Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation (BCIC) be designated for the Boys and Girls Club.

Mr. Jim Goza, City Attorney, noted that a Letter of Intent would be drafted and presented to the Boys and Girls Club describing the City's support for their programs.

The following individuals expressed their support for the Brownsville Boys & Girls Club's request: Mr. Jeffrey Millar, Ms. Judy DuBose, Mr. Mariano "Bean" Ayala, as well as members of the City Commissioner.

Commissioner David A. Betancourt, moved that the request for funding by the **Brownsville Boys & Girls Club** for financial assistance for the continuation of their youth programs be approved with the amount of \$44,000 from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and the amount of \$21,000 from the Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation (BCIC) funds.

The motion seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros and carried unanimously.

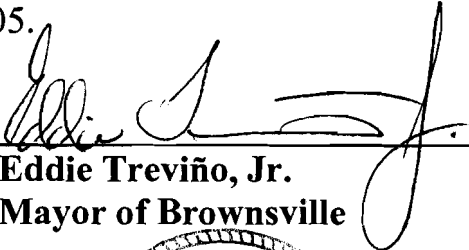
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Public Comments were made during discussion of the item on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Approved this 17th day of May, 2005.



Eddie Treviño, Jr.
Mayor of Brownsville

Attest:



Inelda T. Garcia
City Secretary

