

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

**MINUTES** of a **Regular 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 – Federal Building, located at 1001 East Elizabeth Street, Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas, on **Tuesday, November 7, 2006**, at **4:50 P.M., 5:15 P.M. and 6:00 P.M.** with the following members present:

<b>EDDIE TREVIÑO, JR.</b>		<b>MAYOR</b>
<b>RICARDO LONGORIA, JR.</b>	)	
<b>CHARLIE ATKINSON</b>	)	
<b>CARLOS A. CISNEROS</b>	)	
<b>EDWARD C. CAMARILLO</b>	)	
<b>SALLY MINIEL ARROYO</b>	)	
<b>ERNIE L. HERNANDEZ, JR.</b>	)	<b>COMMISSIONERS</b>
<b>CHARLIE CABLER</b>		<b>CITY MANAGER</b>
<b>CARLOS AYALA</b>		<b>ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER</b>
<b>JIM GOZA</b>		<b>CITY ATTORNEY</b>
<b>ESTELA VON HATTEN</b>		<b>CITY SECRETARY</b>

A quorum being present, Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr. asked Ms. Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary, to read the call to consider the following matters as posted and filed for the record in The Office of the City Secretary on November 3, 2006:

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and carried unanimously, Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr., convened the Executive Session to discuss the following item:

- A) **Discussion pursuant to Section 551.087, of the Texas Government Code, regarding economic development opportunities.**
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## **WORKSHOPS:**

Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr., convened the Workshop Session to discuss the following items:

- a) **Discussion regarding Amigos Del Valle.**  
b) **Discussion regarding repercussions of the Impact Fee Ordinance.**  
c) **Discussion regarding the 2003 International Fire Code.**  
d) **Discussion regarding the Brownsville Tennis Association.**
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## **REGULAR MEETING:**

Upon conclusion of the Workshop, Mayor Eddie Treviño, Jr., convened the Regular Session at 6:00 p.m.

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## ***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: UNITED STATES PLEDGE \* TEXAS PLEDGE***

The U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were led by *Karen Chantal Garcia*, 4<sup>th</sup> grade student, and *Jose Alfredo Ibarra*, 5<sup>th</sup> grade student, of Vermillion Elementary.

## ***INVOCATION:***

The invocation was given by Mr. John Phillips, Pastor of Central Christian Church of Brownsville, Texas.

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1. **PRESENTATION:** *Employee of the Month*  
(Charlie Cabler – City Manager)

Mr. Charlie Cabler, City Manager, recognized *Ms. Virginia Diaz*, Building Inspections Department employee, as “*Employee of the Month*” for the month of November, 2006.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

**All consent Agenda Items listed were considered to be routine by the City Commission and were approved by one motion.**

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., moved that Consent Agenda **Item “e” be removed** from the Consent Agenda so that it would be discussed within the regular agenda as a public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, and **carried** by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Treviño, Commissioners Longoria, Atkinson, Camarillo and Arroyo;

NAYS: Commissioners Cisneros and Hernandez.

To address the remaining Consent Agenda items, Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., moved that Consent Agenda Items **“a” through “d” be approved**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously.

***Public Hearing and Action on First Reading of Ordinance 2006-1217-B (formerly consent agenda item “e” of this agenda):***

Father Jerry Frank read a statement requesting re-establishment of the previously approved impact fees.

Pastor Juan Treviño read a statement from Brownsville pastors and Valley Interfaith requesting re-establishment of the previously approved impact fees.

Mr. Cris Valadez, Jr., BPUB Board Member, Mr. Robert Sanchez, BPUB Board Member, Ms. Lee Ann Greer, Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) member, Mr. Michael Garza, developer, Father Larry Klein, and Mr. Ariel Chavez, II, P.E., expressed their opinions regarding Impact Fees.

Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros read a statement requesting time to study and evaluate the options available in order to find the best solution for all.

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., noted that additional language had been added to the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2006-1217-B and asked Mr. Ben Medina, Director of Planning and Community Development, why the additional language had been inserted.

Said ordinance was to be re-submitted as a Second and Final Reading.

Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., moved that **Consent Agenda Item “2e,” Ordinance Number 2006-1217-B, be approved** with the following revisions: delete language that affected the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) appointment, the City Manager appointee, and that 2006-1217-A be rescinded. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and **carried** by the following vote:

AYES: Mayor Treviño, Commissioners Cisneros, Camarillo and Hernandez;

NAYS: Commissioners Longoria, Atkinson and Arroyo.

*ITEMS No. “a” through “e”*

**a) Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting October 17, 2006.**

**b) Authorization for the following individuals to incur travel expense:**

<b>Employee</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Date</b>
German Saiz	Building Insp.	San Antonio, TX	Nov. 26 – Dec. 1, 2006
Ramon Torres	Building Insp.	Austin, TX	Nov. 14 – 17, 2006
Alexander D. Lorio	BUS	Nashville, TN	Nov. 8 – 11, 2006
Norma H. Zamora	BUS	Austin, TX	Nov. 8, 2006
Norma H. Zamora	BUS	Austin, TX	Nov. 14 – 16, 2006
Jose Sosa	BUS	Houston, TX	Dec. 10 – 15, 2006
Estela Von Hatten	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2006
Liza M. Vega	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2006
Griselda R. Ramos	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2006
Nayade I. Garza	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Dec. 3 – 5, 2006
Viviana Montana	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Dec. 3 – 5, 2006
Estela Von Hatten	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Dec. 4 – 7, 2006
Liza M. Vega	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Dec. 4 – 7, 2006
Juan D. Andrade	City Secretary	Austin, TX	Dec. 4 – 7, 2006
Pete Gonzalez	Finance	San Antonio, TX	Nov. 15 – 17, 2006
Joe A. Hinojosa	Health	Monterrey, Mexico	Nov. 14 – 17, 2006
Skip Keller	Parks	Scottsdale, AZ	Nov. 12 – 19, 2006
Jaime Rivera	Parks	Austin, TX	Dec. 11 – 13, 2006
Steve Hubanks	Parks	Austin, TX	Dec. 11 – 13, 2006
Andres Treviño	Police	San Antonio, TX	Nov. 12 – 17, 2006
Reynaldo Ybarra	Police	San Antonio, TX	Nov. 12 – 17, 2006
Pablo Flores	Police	Corpus Christi, TX	Nov. 13 – 16, 2006

Mr. German Saiz, Permitting Facilitator, will attend the “*Texas Homeland Security Conference*,” sponsored by the Governor’s Division of Emergency Management, on November 26 – December 1, 2006, in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. Ramon Torres, Construction Inspector, will attend a “*Scheduled State Plumbing Examination*,” sponsored by the State of Texas Board of Plumbing Examiners, on November 14 – 17, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Mr. Alexander David Lorio, Grant Writer, will attend the “*Eight Annual Conference of American Association of Grant Professionals*,” sponsored by the American Association of Grant Professionals, on November 8 – 11, 2006, in Nashville, Tennessee.

Ms. Norma H. Zamora, BUS Director, will attend the “*Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Regional Planning Meeting*,” sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), on November 8, 2006, in Austin, Texas. Ms. Zamora will also attend the “*Texas Transit Association (TTA) Membership, TTA Board Meeting*”, and the “*Texas Transportation Commission Presentation*,” sponsored by the Texas Transit Association, on November 14 – 16, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Mr. Jose Sosa, Lead Supervisor, will attend the “*Smith System Multi-Company Instructor Training Course*,” sponsored by the Smith System Multi-Company, on December 10 – 15, 2006, in Houston, Texas.

Ms. Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary, Ms. Liza M. Vega, Administrative Supervisor, and Ms. Griselda Ramos, Administrative Specialist II, will attend the “*18<sup>th</sup> Annual Election Law Seminar*,” sponsored by the Office of the Secretary of State, on November 28 – December 1, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Ms. Nayade I. Garza, Vital Statistics Supervisor, and Ms. Viviana Montana, Administrative Technician I, will attend the “*Texas Vital Statistics Annual Conference*,” sponsored by the Texas Vital Statistics and the Texas Public Health Association, on December 3 – 5, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Ms. Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary, Ms. Liza M. Vega, Administrative Supervisor, and Mr. Juan D. Andrade, Administrative Technician I, will attend the “*2006 Open Government Conference*,” sponsored by the Office of the Attorney General, on December 4 – 7, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, will attend the “*Government Finance Officers Association of Texas Fall (GFOAT) Conference*,” sponsored by the Government Finance Officers Association of Texas (GFOAT), on November 15 – 17, 2006, in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. Joe A. Hinojosa, Environmental Manager, will attend the “*Environmental Sustainability Conference*,” sponsored by The Center for Research Excellence at Science and Technology Research on Environmental Sustainability of Semi and Coastal Areas (CREST-RESSACA), on November 14 – 17, 2006, in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

Mr. Skip Keller, Recreational Services Director, will attend the “*United States Slo-pitch Softball Association (USSSA) 39<sup>TH</sup> Annual National Meeting Convention*,” sponsored by the United States Slo-pitch Softball Association (USSSA), on November 12 – 19, 2006, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Mr. Jaime Rivera, Golf Course Coordinator, will attend the “*Texas Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show*,” sponsored by the Texas Turfgrass Association, on December 11 – 13, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Mr. Steve Hubanks, Parks Project Coordinator, will attend the “*Texas Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show*,” sponsored by the Texas Turfgrass Association, on December 11 – 13, 2006, in Austin, Texas.

Police Agent Andres Treviño and Detective Reynaldo Ybarra will attend the “*13<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwestern Crisis Negotiations Training Conference*,” sponsored by the Texas Association of Hostage Negotiators, on November 12 – 17, 2006, in San Antonio, Texas.

Police Sergeant Pablo Flores will attend the “*Traffic Safety Project Management Course for Fiscal Year 2007*,” sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), on November 13 – 16, 2006, in Corpus Christi, Texas.

**c) APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-054 to rezone, from Dwelling “Z” Classification to 5<sup>th</sup> Commercial “G” Classification, proposed Lot 1 of Block 2 of Palmetto Grove Replat, located near Date Drive and Southmost Road.**

- d) **APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-060 to rezone, from Dwelling “Z” Classification to Dwelling “G” Classification, proposed Lot 2 of Block 2 of Palmetto Grove Replat, located near Date Drive and Southmost Road.**
- e) **APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 2006-1217-B, rescinding Ordinance Number 2006-1217-A of September 19, 2006 and reinstating Ordinance Numbers 90-1213 of March 20, 1990 and 90-1217 of May 24, 1990, re-establishing the 1990 Land Use Assumptions within the certificated water and wastewater service area of the Public Utilities Board, the 1990 Capital Improvements Program, the 1990 Maximum Allowable and the 1990 Actual Water and Wastewater Impact Fees; providing that this ordinance be cumulative; directing the Brownsville Public Utilities Board and City Planning Department to maintain or reinstate appropriate pre-October 1, 2006 City Development Regulations and Water and Wastewater Service Policies relating to impact fees; directing the Planning Department and Public Utilities Board to refer the 1990 Impact Fee Program back to the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee for further study and directing the Brownsville Public Utilities Board to make certain impact fee rebates; providing for severability, providing for governmental immunity; providing for injunctive relief and other legal remedies; and providing for an effective date retroactive to October 1, 2006.**
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***BOARDS AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:***

3. **Consideration and ACTION to appoint two (2) members to the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros and carried unanimously, this item was **tabled**.

4. **Consideration and ACTION to appoint or reappoint one (1) member to the Brownsville Beautification Committee.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and carried unanimously, this item was **tabled**.

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***PUBLIC HEARINGS:***

**5. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2006-1288-B to amend Section 50-73 of the Code of Ordinances which established Fire Prevention and Inspection Fees.**

Fire Chief Leonardo Perez noted that fees had not been revised since 1997. He further noted the proposed fees would become part of ordinance, including the following fee under Temporary Above-Ground Flammable Liquid Tank Permit: \$125.00 Temp. C – 1 year.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo moved that Ordinance Number 2006-1288-B, be **approved**, to amend Section 50-73 of the Code of Ordinances, which established Fire Prevention and Inspection Fees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., and carried unanimously.

**6. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2006-1439-A to amend Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances: Fire Protection and Prevention.**

Fire Chief Leonardo Perez noted that existing fireworks stands are grandfathered in Ordinance 2006-1439-A.

Upon motion by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo moved that Ordinance Number 2006-1439-A, be **approved**, to amend Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances, Fire Protection and Prevention. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros and carried unanimously.

**7. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2006-919-G amending the Code of Ordinances Chapter 110, Wreckers Sections 110-67, 110-126 and 110-128, generally to comply with state rates and ordaining other provisions relating to the subject matter thereof.**

Mr. Robert Esparza, Traffic Director, gave a brief overview of the ordinance.

Mr. Richard Rios of Valley Wrecker Services expressed his opposition to the ordinance.

Mr. David Garza, Jr., Attorney, and Mr. Anthony Troiani, Attorney, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that Ordinance Number 2006-919-G, be **approved** to amend the Code of Ordinances Chapter 110, Wreckers Sections 110-67, 110-126 and 110-128, generally, to comply with state rates and ordaining other provisions relating to the subject matter thereof. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and carried unanimously.

**8. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-606-CU, amending the text of the City Zoning Ordinance by allowing a Conditional Use Permit for the sale of on-premise alcohol (bar) for Lots 6, 7, 8, and 9 of Blocks 42, 43 and 44 of Los Ebanos Properties Subdivision, located at 715 North Expressway 77/83 (Days Inn Motel). [DISCUSSED 10/03/2006]**

Upon motion by Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., moved that Ordinance Number 235-2006-606-CU be **approved** to amend the text of the City Ordinance by allowing a Conditional Use Permit for the sale of on-premise alcohol (bar) for Lots 6,7,8, and 9 of Blocks 42, 43, and 44 of Los Ebanos Properties Subdivision, located at 715 North Expressway 77/83 (Days Inn Motel). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and carried unanimously.

9. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-607-CU amending the text of the City Zoning Ordinance by allowing a Conditional Use Permit for the sale of on-premise alcohol (bar), for Lot 1 Block 1 of London Town Properties Subdivision (2050 N. Expressway 77/83).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros moved that Ordinance Number 235-2006-607-CU be **approved** to amend the text of the City Zoning Ordinance by allowing a Conditional Use Permit for the sale of on-premise alcohol (bar), for Lot 1, Block 1 of London Town Properties Subdivision (2050 N. Expressway 77/83). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo and carried unanimously.

10. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-062 to rezone, from Dwelling “A” Classification to General Retail “G” Classification, 5.33 acres out of Lot 3, Block 109 of El Jardin Re-subdivision near Boca Chica Boulevard and Iowa Avenue.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, moved that Ordinance Number 235-2006-062 be **approved** to rezone, from Dwelling “A” classification to General Retail “G” classification, 5.33 acres out of Lot 3, Block 109, of El Jardin Re-subdivision near Boca Chica Boulevard and Iowa Avenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo and carried unanimously.

11. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2006-064 to rezone, from Dwelling “A” Classification to Light Retail “G” Classification, 0.357 out of Block 6 Lenena, near Military Highway and Cela Avenue.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo moved that Ordinance Number 235-2006-064 be **approved** to rezone, from Dwelling “A” classification to Light Retail “G” classification, 0.357 out of Block 6, Lenena Subdivision near Military Highway and Cela Avenue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros and carried unanimously.

**12. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2006-058-S to rezone, from Professional Office “F” Classification to Light Commercial “F” Classification, Lot 7 of Block 2 of Henrietta Addition located near McDavitt Boulevard and Velma Street.**

Mr. Ben Medina, Jr., Planning Director, noted that the rezoning request was denied by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Ms. Carolina Cantú of Millenium Auto Sales, spoke on behalf of the property owner, noting that she was in favor of the rezoning. She stated that the addition would be used for customer and employee parking, and posts were installed for security purposes only.

Ms. Sulema Guerrero-Abete, Mrs. Maria Evelina Welsh, Mr. Roberto Welsh, and Mr. Fred Lara, area residents, expressed their opposition to the rezoning.

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo moved that Protested Ordinance Number 235-2006-058-S be **denied**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Treviño and Commissioners Atkinson, Cisneros, Camarillo, Arroyo and Hernandez;

Nay: None;

Abstain: Commissioner Longoria

*Mayor Eddie Trevino, Jr., stepped out.*

**13. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2006-059-S to allow an Apartment Specific-Use (a duplex building on each lot) in a Dwelling Use District, for Lots 64, 65 and 66 of Stewart Subdivision, located near Arnetta Lane and Kelsey Street.**

Mr. Jose Llorente, representing the lot owner, expressed his concerns regarding the protested ordinance.

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., moved that Protested Ordinance Number 235-2006-059-S be **approved** to allow an Apartment Specific Use (a duplex building on each lot) in a Dwelling Use District, for Lots, 64, 65, and 66 of Stewart Subdivision, located near Arnetta Lane and Kelsey Street.. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson and carried unanimously.

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*Mayor Eddie Trevino, Jr., returned.*

***ACTION ITEMS:***

**14. Consideration and ACTION to rename Morningside Park to Emilio Hernandez/Morningside Park.**

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., suggested that a Naming Committee be created to help develop criteria for naming parks.

Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., noted that Mr. Emilio A. Hernandez was a former mayor of Brownsville and moved that Morningside Park be renamed **Emilio A. Hernandez/Morningside Park**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Treviño and Commissioners Atkinson, Cisneros, Camarillo, Arroyo and Hernandez;

Nays: None;

Abstain: Commissioner Longoria

**15. Consideration and ACTION to rename St. Charles Park to Gene McNair/St. Charles Park.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, this item was **tabled**.

**16. Consideration and ACTION on Resolution Number 2006-065 to request the members of the 80<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session of the State of Texas support for increased funding for the Texas Recreation and Parks Account Local Park Grant Program and the Texas State Park System. (Skip Keller – Parks)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, Resolution Number 2006-065 was **approved**.

*Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., stepped out.  
Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., stepped out.*

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***PURCHASES/BIDS/CONTRACTS:***

**17. Consideration and ACTION to authorize the approval of Change Order Number 1 to the Terminal Ramp Expansion, Phase III Project.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, Change Order Number 1, in the amount of \$100,800, was **approved** for the Terminal Ramp Expansion, Phase III Project.

**18. Consideration and ACTION to authorize the City of Brownsville, Aviation Department to enter into a lease agreement with Cameron County for the Cameron County Restitution Center.**

Mr. Larry A. Brown, Aviation Director, noted that the lease agreement for land only.

Upon motion by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, a lease agreement with Cameron County, for the Cameron County Restitution Center, was **authorized**.

**19. Consideration and ACTION to authorize an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Brownsville and the Valley Municipal Utility District Number 2 for the installation of water and sewer lines to the World Birding Center.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, an Interlocal Agreement, between the City of Brownsville and the Valley Municipal Utility District Number 2, was **authorized** for the installation of water and sewer lines to the World Birding Center.

*Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., returned.  
Commissioner Ernie L. Hernandez, Jr., returned.*

**20. Consideration and ACTION to authorize the City Manager to accept the 2006 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant in the amount of \$152,297.65 and additionally to decline State of Texas use of an additional \$248,211.85 in 2006 SHSP funds for selected state-wide projects. (Carlos L. Garcia – Police)**

Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros moved that the City Manager be **authorized to accept** the 2006 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant in the amount of **\$152,297.65** and, additionally, to **decline** State of Texas use of an additional **\$248,211.85** in 2006 SHSP funds for selected state-wide projects. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Treviño and Commissioners Longoria, Cisneros, Camarillo, Arroyo and Hernandez;

Nays: None;

Abstain: Commissioner Atkinson

**21. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase and delivery of thirty (30) computer workstations for the Brownsville Public Library.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, a contract, in the amount of **\$26,250**, for the

purchase and delivery of thirty (30) computer workstations for the Brownsville Public Library, was awarded to **Dell, Inc.** of Roundrock, Texas.

**22. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase, delivery and installation of system furniture for the City of Brownsville Management Information System (MIS) Department.**

Mr. Paul Calapa, Purchasing Director, noted that the MIS Department's renovation work, which would include training classrooms, would be performed by City crews.

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, a contract, in the amount of **\$49,031.21**, was awarded to **Southern Metal Industries (SMI)** of Ringgold, Georgia, for the purchase, delivery and installation of system furniture for the Management Information System (MIS) Department.

**23. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase, delivery and installation of gymnasium floor covering at Gonzalez and Oliveira Park Gymnasiums.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and carried unanimously, a contract. in the amount of **\$114,241.92** was awarded to **Vector Concepts, Inc.** of Irving, Texas, for the purchase, delivery and installation of gymnasium floor covering at Gonzalez and Oliveira Park Gymnasiums.

**24. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase and installation of playground equipment at West Brownsville Little League Park.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, seconded by Commissioner Sally M. Arroyo, and carried unanimously, a contract, in the amount of **\$24,995.82**, was awarded to **Game Time, Inc.** of Cypress, Texas, for the purchase and installation of playground equipment at West Brownsville Little League Park.

***PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:***

Requests for public comment had been submitted by Mr. Cris Valadez, Jr., and Mr. Robert Sanchez, but they were not present for the public comment period.


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***ADJOURNMENT:***

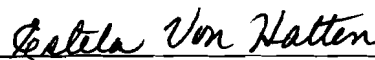
There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Approved the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2006.



  
Eddie Treviño, Jr.  
Mayor of Brownsville

Attest:

  
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Estela Von Hatten  
City Secretary