

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, September 4, 2007**, at **5:30 P.M.** and **6:00 P.M.** with the following members present:

PAT M. AHUMADA, JR.		MAYOR
RICARDO LONGORIA, JR.)	
CHARLIE ATKINSON)	
CARLOS A. CISNEROS)	
EDWARD C. CAMARILLO)	
ANTHONY P. TROIANI)	
LEONEL T. GARZA)	COMMISSIONERS

CHARLIE CABLER	CITY MANAGER
CARLOS AYALA	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
JIM GOZA	CITY ATTORNEY
ESTELA VON HATTEN	CITY SECRETARY

ABSENT:

JOHN E. CHOSY	ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY
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A quorum being present, Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, 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 August 31, 2007:

Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., addressed the public noting that the total allotted time for the Public Comment Period was 15 minutes.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Mr. Francisco Sifuentes addressed his concerns regarding Hurricane Dean Preparedness.

Ms. Stefanie Herweck, Representing the “*No Border Wall*” Coalition, spoke in opposition of the border wall, and invited the public and City Commission to the “*No Border Wall Pachanga*” to be held on September 29, 2007 at Dean Porter Park.

Mr. Don Crow, Board President of Camille Lightner Playhouse, submitted a public comment form, but decided not to address the City Commission.

Mr. John Kinch spoke in favor of the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation’s (GBIC) Industrial Park on FM 511.

Mr. Joel Garza, representing the Community Development Corporation of Brownsville (CDCB), expressed his concerns regarding an ordinance requiring land to be dedicated for parks in large housing developments. (Agenda Item Number 10).

Mr. Robert Uresti expressed his recent experience at the City’s Building Inspections Department in connection with the building of his house.

Mr. Alex Resendez submitted a public comment form, but did not address the City Commission due to time constraints.

PROCLAMATIONS:

National Assisted Living Week

Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., asked Ms. Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary, to read a proclamation for the Meadows Assisted Living Facility designating September 9 – 15, 2007 as “*National Assisted Living Week*”. No one was present to receive the proclamation.

15. Consideration and ACTION on Resolution Number 2007-049 in support of the Hands Across El Rio meeting to be held on September 8, 2007, at the Gateway International Bridge.

Dr. Tony Zavaletta spoke in favor of the proposed resolution, and announced a “*Hands Across El Rio*” meeting to be held at Boca Chica Beach on September 8 – 9, 2007.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that Resolution Number 2007-049 be **approved**, supporting the “*Hands Across El Rio Coalition*” as a commemoration of our shared heritage, and ongoing commitment to the future development of our common interests and economic prosperity.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza and **carried unanimously**.

3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

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

In response to Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo noted Consent Agenda Items “c, d and e” were designed only for disabled veteran contractors.

Upon motion by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros, and carried unanimously, Consent Agenda Items “a” through “e” were **approved**.

ITEMS No. “a” through “e”

a) Approval of Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 14, 2007.

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

Employee	Department	Destination	Date
Doroteo Garcia, Jr.	Engineering	San Antonio, TX	Sept. 9 – 13, 2007
Luis Alonso	Engineering	San Antonio, TX	Sept. 9 – 13, 2007
Carlos R. Reyes	Engineering	San Antonio, TX	Sept. 9 – 13, 2007
Arnoldo Perez	HR	Austin, TX	Oct. 14 – 16, 2007
Laura Hernandez	HR	Austin, TX	Oct. 14 – 16, 2007
Mary De Leon	HR	Austin, TX	Oct. 14 – 16, 2007
Chris Patterson	Parks	Corpus Christi, TX	Sept. 21 – 25, 2007
Ray Arrellano	Parks	Corpus Christi, TX	Sept. 21 – 25, 2007
Jesse Alvarez	Parks	Corpus Christi, TX	Sept. 21 – 25, 2007
Mark Lund	Planning	Little Rock, AR	Oct. 2 – 5, 2007
Alfonso Vallejo	Planning	Little Rock, AR	Oct. 2 – 5, 2007

Mr. Doroteo Garcia, Jr. Assistant City Engineer, Mr. Luis Alonso, Assistant City Engineer, and Mr. Carlos R. Reyes, Construction Supervisor, will attend the “*Public Works Congress and Exposition*,” on September 9 – 12, 2007, in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. Arnoldo Perez, Assistant Human Resources Director, Ms. Laura Hernandez, Human Resources Specialist, and Ms. Mary De Leon, Human Resources Specialist, will attend the “*Annual Texas Municipal Retirement Seminar*,” sponsored by the TMRS Seminar, in Austin, Texas, on October 14 – 16, 2007.

Mr. Chris Patterson, Parks and Recreation Manager, Mr. Ray Arellano, Recreation Center Coordinator, and Mr. Jesse Alvarez, Recreation and Events Coordinator, will attend the “*Texas Amateur Federation (T.A.A.F.) 82nd Annual Conference*,” sponsored by the Texas Amateur Federation (TAAF), on September 21 – 25, 2007, in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Mr. Mark Lund, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Director, and Mr. Alfonso Vallejo, Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Planner, will attend the “*2007 Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) Annual Conference*,” sponsored by the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO), on October 2 – 5, 2007, in Little Rock, Arkansas.

- c) **APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 2007-1478, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 18, Article II. Contractors, Division 2. Permit by adding Section 18-55 Definitions regarding establishment of fees and charges for disabled veteran contractors.**

- d) **APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 2007-1089-C, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 18, Article II. Contractors, Division 3. Registration by amending Section 18-82 by adding subsection (b) regarding fees and charges for disabled veteran contractors.**
- e) **APPROVAL on SECOND and FINAL READING of Ordinance Number 2007-723-H, amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 18, Article III. Building Code Section 18-123 (a)(1) Schedule of Permit Fees by adding subsection (g) regarding fees and charges for disabled veteran contractors.**
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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

4. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2007-021-S to allow a Specific Use with Safe Guards for Medium Industrial (Power Plant Substation) on a General Retail (4C) Classification for portion of Block 12 of Emilia Subdivision located near Expressway 77/83 and Emilia Lane. [TABLED 07/17/2007 and 08/28/2007]**

Mr. Ben Medina, Jr., Director of Planning and Community Development, noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved the proposed rezoning but that a super-majority vote, or a 6 to 1 vote, was needed to overrule the petition.

Mr. Jerry Don Wilson, Area Manager representing American Electric Power (AEP), gave a brief overview of the proposed substation. He noted that measures would be taken to keep the substation out of view and landscaping would be maintained.

In response to Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, Mr. John Garcia, Real Estate agent for AEP, noted that other properties were considered.

Mr. Nicolas Vela, area resident, spoke in opposition of the proposed substation at the location.

Ms. Marina Buenrostro, on behalf of her father Mr. Juan Buenrostro, expressed their opposition to the proposed rezoning.

Mr. Wilson stated that the property would be purchased from Ms. Dorina Rubio and that the proposed line would service approximately 6,000 customers from Alton Gloor Blvd. and north of the area.

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

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that Protested Ordinance Number 235-2007-021-S be **approved** at first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza and **carried by the following 6-0-1 vote:**

Ayes: Mayor Ahumada, Commissioners Longoria, Atkinson, Cisneros, Camarillo, and Garza;

Nays: None;

Abstentions: Commissioner Troiani.

- 11. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2007-983-BB, regarding Chapter 102 of the Code of Ordinances entitled “Utilities” and which provides for electric, water and wastewater (sanitary sewer) service rates and charges and conditions of services; amending Section 102-195 to reduce the monthly customer service charge for residential electric customers from \$5.53 to \$2.53; amending Section 102-76 to reduce this penalty for delinquent payment of utility bills from ten (10) percent to five (5) percent; and providing a severability clause and effective date.**

Mr. Leandro Garcia, Chief Financial Officer for the Brownsville Public Utilities Board (BPUB), gave a brief overview of the ordinance and noted the following changes which would become effective October 1, 2007:

Rate Ordinance Change:

Electric Residential Customer Service Charge

Current \$5.53

Revised \$2.53

Late Penalty Fee (Based on Total Bill)

Current 10%

Revised 5%

Non-Rate Ordinance Change:

Reconnection for Non-Payment

Current	\$25.00
<i>Revised</i>	<i>\$75.00</i>

Mr. Fernando Ruiz commented on PUB rates.

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 2007-983-BB be **approved** on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., and **carried unanimously**.

- 5. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2007-026 to rezone, from Dwelling “Z” (DZ) to General Retail (4CG) Classification, Lot 18 Block 5 of Villa Nueva Subdivision located near U.S. 281 (Military Highway) and El Metro Street. [TABLED 08/28/2007]**

Mr. Ben Medina, Director of Planning and Community Development, noted that the Planning and Zoning Commission had denied the proposed rezoning because the area called for a third commercial rezoning.

Mr. Ricardo Torres, who lived adjacent to the property, expressed his opposition to the proposed rezoning.

Upon motion by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Anthony P. Troiani moved to **deny** Protested Ordinance Number 235-2007-026.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and **carried unanimously**.

6. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2007-037-S to allow an Apartment Specific Use (Triplex) in a Dwelling “G” for Lot 26 Block 1 out of Portway Acres located near State Highway 48 and Zena Drive.

Mr. Ben Medina, Jr., Director of Planning and Community Development, noted this item was not a Protested agenda item and that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved the proposed rezoning.

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that Ordinance Number 235-2007-037-S be **approved** at first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Anthony P. Troiani and **carried unanimously**.

7. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of PROTESTED Ordinance Number 235-2007-002-SA to allow a Professional Office (Professional Offices) in a Dwelling Zoning of Lot 3 Block 1 of Diamond Point II located near Alton Gloor and Tandy Road. (TABLED)

Mr. Ben Medina, Jr., Director of Planning and Community Development, noted this item was also not a Protested agenda item and that the Planning and Zoning Commission had approved the owner’s request for amendment to allow an increase in size of the building.

Ms. Judy King expressed her concern regarding preservation of the integrity of the neighborhood. She noted that, although the information packet called for professional offices, it appeared that retail businesses were also to be constructed at the location.

In response to Mayor Ahumada, Mr. Medina stated that the applicant did want to include a daycare center and a natural food store at the location.

Commissioner Anthony P. Troiani pointed out that information provided to the commission reflected only professional offices and did not reflect any retail plans. Mr. Medina acknowledged that this information had not been included in the publication

notice to area property owners or in the published advertisement regarding the proposed rezoning.

Upon motion by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, seconded by Commissioner Anthony P. Troiani, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that this item be **tabled**. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza and **carried unanimously**.

8. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2007-036 to rezone, from Dwelling “A” to Professional Office “G” (1CG) Classification, Share 19 Block 28 out of El Jardin Subdivision located near Dana Avenue and Old Port Isabel Road. [TABLED 08/28/2007]**
9. **Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2007-036-S to allow a Medium Retail Specific Use in an Apartment for Share 19 Block 28 out El Jardin Subdivision located near Dana Avenue and Old Port Isabel Road. [TABLED 08/28/2007]**

Agenda Items 8 and 9 were read together as they dealt with the same location and issue.

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 Numbers 235-2007-036 and 235-2007-036-S be **approved** at first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and **carried by the following 6-0-1 vote:**

Ayes: Commissioners Longoria, Atkinson, Cisneros, Camarillo, Troiani and Garza;

Nays: None;

Abstention: Mayor Ahumada.

10. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2007-1479 amending the Subdivision Ordinance by requiring a percentage of land to be dedicated for parks and/or public schools and dealing with related matters including \$2000 penalties. [DISCUSSED 08/28/2007]

Mr. Ben Medina, Director of Planning and Community Development, noted that textural revisions were made to the ordinance language.

Mr. Neal Simmons, developer, and Mr. Renato Cardenas, developer, suggested a workshop to further discuss the ordinance.

Ms. Reba Cardenas-McNair and Mr. Les Gloor, developers, expressed concern over maintenance issues for park land. Mr. Gloor inquired as to whether there were state or federal funds available.

Addressing concerns that a workshop should be held to discuss this issue, Mr. Ben Medina noted that the first reading could be approved and a workshop could be held before the second and final reading was acted on.

Upon motion by Commissioner Anthony P. Troiani, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson, and carried unanimously, the public hearing was **closed**.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that Ordinance Number 2007-1479 **approved** at first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza and **carried unanimously**.

12. Public Hearing and ACTION on FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 2007-1133-X, amending Ordinance 86-1133, pertaining to a franchise contract between the City of Brownsville and Governmental Managerial Services (GMS) Incorporated for collection and disposal of commercial and industrial solid waste, incorporating signed contract for all purposes and amending the rates for containerized collection of commercial and industrial solid waste and related matters as set forth in Exhibit "A" establishing an increase of 3.43% as per Section 13.02(a), titled Modification of Rates, to reflect a consumer price index increase.

Commissioner Leonel T. Garza stepped out.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, noted that the existing GMS contract allows for a yearly CPI increase which included a City add-on fee for landfill and for the general fund.

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

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., moved that Ordinance Number 2007-1133-X be **approved** on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Charlie Atkinson and **carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: Mayor Ahumada, Commissioners Longoria, Atkinson, Cisneros, Camarillo, and Troiani.

Nays: None

Abstention: None. Commissioner Garza had stepped out and did not vote.

13. Second Public Hearing to discuss the proposed 2007 ad valorem tax rate (Fiscal Year 2008) of \$0.650517, which is an increase of 4.95% over the effective tax rate of \$0.619856, or an increase of 0.0434% over the current year's (Fiscal Year 2007) ad valorem tax rate of \$0.650235 per \$100 valuation.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, reviewed the proposed 2007 ad valorem tax rate for FY 2008 of \$0.650517 which was an increase of 4.95% over the effective tax rate of \$0.619856 cents. He also gave a PowerPoint presentation on the City's FY 2008 Proposed Budget as of September 4, 2007, which included revisions totaling \$760,397.00, and had been filed at the City Secretary's Office on August 17, 2007.

Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., asked Mr. Donald Crow, Camille Lightner Playhouse President, to step forward to give a brief presentation on the Playhouse's community impact and its involvement with local schools. Mr. Crow noted that funding of \$100,000, if approved in the proposed budget, would be used to supplement other funds.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, cautioned against allocating funds from the City reserves.

Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., requested funding in the amount of \$760,397.00 to be distributed among Gladys Porter Zoo, Camille Playhouse, and Brownsville Museum of Fine Arts and asked for a vote.

With Commissioner Charlie Atkinson's motion to approve the request and Commissioner Leonel T. Garza second, the motion **failed by the following 3-4 vote against:**

Ayes: Mayor Ahumada and Commissioners Garza and Atkinson.

Nays: Commissioners Troiani, Longoria, Cisneros, and Camarillo.

Mayor Ahumada asked for the Commissioners' reconsideration of their vote. Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo noted that the issue could be revisited at another meeting.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, noted that the issue can be discussed at the next meeting which was scheduled for September 17, 2007 when the budget was to be approved.

ACTION ITEMS:

- 14. Consideration and ACTION to announce that a public hearing will be held on September 17, 2007, at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. to adopt by resolution the Fiscal Year 2008 budget; to approve the first reading of an ad valorem tax ordinance establishing the 2007 ad valorem tax rate; and to approve the second reading of the 2007 ad valorem tax rate ordinance on September 18, 2007.**

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that a public hearing be **announced** for September 17, 2007, at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of adopting the Fiscal Year 2008 budget by resolution; approving the first reading of an ad valorem tax ordinance establishing the 2007 ad valorem tax rate, and to approve the second reading of the 2007 ad valorem tax rate ordinance on September 18, 2007.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leonel T. Garza and **carried unanimously.**

16. **Consideration and ACTION to authorize the use of Washington Park from February 25 – March 2, 2008 for the Sombrero Festival, authorizing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages from February 28 – March 1, 2008 during festival hours, authorizing the closure of Adams Street between 7th and 9th Street from February 27 – March 2, 2008, and permission to use the parking along Madison Street between 7th and 9th Streets for Sombrero Festival vendor parking from February 27 – March 2, 2008.**

Commissioner Carlos A. Cisneros moved that the use of Washington Park from February 25 – March 2, 2008 be **authorized** for the Sombrero Festival in 2008, authorizing the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages from February 28 – March 1, 2008 during festival hours, authorizing the closure of Adams Street between 7th and 9th Street from February 27 – March 2, 2008, and permission to use the parking along Madison Street between 7th and 9th Streets for Sombrero Festival vendor parking from February 27 – March 2, 2008.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., and **carried unanimously.**

17. **Consideration and ACTION to approve Class “L” Permit Number CL-2007-001, to allow a game arcade at 344 Paredes Line Road, Brownsville, Texas.**

Mr. Ben Medina, Director of Planning and Community Development, noted that proposed permit would allow for installation of a 25-machine game arcade at the location, with hours of operation to be from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Mrs. McGowan, owner of the corner building housing All-Star Realty expressed their opposition to the permit as it is within 200 feet of a residential area and the arcade would share their parking space.

Commissioner Leonel T. Garza moved that Class “L” Permit Number CL-2007-001, to allow a game arcade at 344 Paredes Line Road, be **denied.**

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo, and **failed by the following 3-4 vote:**

Ayes: Mayor Ahumada, Commissioners Garza and Camarillo;

Nays: Commissioners Troiani, Cisneros, Atkinson, and Longoria.

PURCHASES/BIDS/CONTRACTS:

18. Consideration and ACTION to award a three-year auditing professional service contract to a local independent certified public accounting (CPA) firm.

Mr. Pete Gonzalez, Finance Director, noted that the two firms who submitted proposals were Patillo Brown & Hill, LLP and Long & Chilton, LLP.

Mr. Jose Chavez, Internal Auditor, noted that American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) required that government audits be independent in fact and in appearance.

Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo moved that a three-year auditing professional service contract be awarded to **Long & Chilton, LLP** of Brownsville, Texas, in the total amount of **\$183,560** as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Proposed Fees</u>
2007	\$ 60,400
2008	61,580
2009	<u>61,580</u>
Total Fees	\$183,560

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., and **carried unanimously.**

19. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase, delivery and installation of two (2) hydraulic in-ground transit vehicle lifts for the Brownsville Urban System (BUS).

Mr. Ivan Welker, Fleet Administrator, noted that Burton Auto Supply's bid also included the removal of two existing, non-working, in-ground hydraulic lifts.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that a contract, in the amount of **\$76,920.60**, be awarded to **Burton Auto Supply** of Brownsville, Texas, for the purchase, delivery and installation of two hydraulic in-ground transit vehicle lifts for the Brownsville Urban System (BUS).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo and **carried unanimously.**

20. Consideration and ACTION to award a contract for the purchase of two (2) Type II Paratransit Vans for the Brownsville Urban System (BUS).

Mr. Ivan Welker, Fleet Administrator, noted that the vans proposed for purchase would be used to upgrade an existing fleet of 13 vehicles.

Commissioner Ricardo Longoria, Jr., moved that a contract, in the amount of **\$110,960.00**, be awarded to **Texas Bus Sales of Houston, Texas**, for the purchase of two (2) 2008 Model StarTrans Type II, para-transit vans for the Brownsville Urban System (BUS).

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

21. Consideration and ACTION to award a term contract for security services for the City of Brownsville Facilities.

Mr. Paul Calapa, Purchasing & Contracting Manager, noted that a total of seven (7) proposals were received and distributed to the Evaluation Committee for review. He noted that the two (2) proposals that received the top ratings were being presented for consideration and further noted staff's recommendation to award a contract to each of the two recommended vendors so that, should one vendor not be able to perform the services in the future, there would be another security service company in place.

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson moved that a term contract be awarded to **American Surveillance Co.** of Brownsville, Texas, based on the schedule of values presented, for security services at City of Brownsville Facilities.

The motion was seconded by Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., and **carried by the following 6-0-1 vote:**

Ayes: Mayor Ahumada, Commissioners Atkinson, Troiani, Longoria, Camarillo, and Cisneros

Nays: None

Abstain: Commissioner Garza.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Approved the 18th day of September 2007.



Attest

Estela Von Hatten
Estela Von Hatten
City Secretary

Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.
Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.
Mayor of Brownsville