

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

Anthony P. Troiani, At-large Commissioner “A”  
Ricardo Longoria, Jr., District Commissioner 1  
Carlos A. Cisneros, District Commissioner 3

Leonel T. Garza, At-large Commissioner “B”  
Charlie Atkinson, District Commissioner 2  
Edward C. Camarillo, District Commissioner 4

Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., Mayor

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE  
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Brownsville, Texas, in accordance with Article V, Section 12, of the Charter of said City, will convene a **Workshop, Executive Session, and Regular Meeting**, on **Tuesday, April 15, 2008, at 4:25 P.M., 5:20 P.M. and 6:00 P.M.** 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, 78520.

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**WORKSHOP: 4:25 P.M.**

- a) Discussion regarding alternative fuel. (Commissioner Charlie Atkinson – 15 min.)
- b) Presentation and discussion regarding budgetary items and economic development projects planned for the 2008-2009 fiscal year by the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (GBIC). (Commissioner Charlie Atkinson – 15 min.)
- c) Discussion regarding the City’s non-emergency transfer services for residents. (Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo – 15 min.)
- d) Discussion regarding a “No Smoking” Ordinance for restaurants only. (Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr. – 10 min.)

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION: 5:20 P.M.**

- A) Discussion pursuant to Section 551.071, of the Texas Government Code, regarding pending litigation. (John Chosy – Asst. City Attorney – 15 min.)



**5. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: PLEASE NOTE:**

- THE “PUBLIC COMMENT FORM” IS DESIGNATED FOR SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON A SUBJECT THAT IS NOT A PUBLIC HEARING.
- **ADDRESS THE COMMISSION AS A WHOLE – DO NOT DIRECT YOUR COMMENTS TO ANY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION.**
- **THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD IS A TOTAL OF 15 MINUTES. (City Ordinance 2007-1090-D)**
- THERE IS A **THREE (3)-MINUTE TIME LIMIT** PER SPEAKER.
- NO **FORMAL** ACTION CAN BE TAKEN.
- FOR THE RECORD, THE SPEAKER **MUST IDENTIFY BY NAME** BEFORE SPEAKING.
- “PUBLIC COMMENT FORMS” ARE LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE COMMISSION CHAMBERS (on the day of the meeting).
- “PUBLIC COMMENT FORMS” MUST BE FILLED OUT AND PRESENTED TO THE CITY SECRETARY/STAFF **NO LATER THAN 6:00 P.M.** TO BE CONSIDERED/RECOGNIZED.
- **“PUBLIC COMMENT FORMS” ARE NOT ACCEPTED AFTER 6:00 P.M.**

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**POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS ARE NOT CONDUCTED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.**  
[For further information, contact The Office of the City Secretary at 548-6001]

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**PRESENTATIONS:**

- **PERSONS/GROUPS SCHEDULED TO CONDUCT A PRESENTATION OR DISTRIBUTING HANDOUTS ASSOCIATED WITH A PRESENTATION TO THE COMMISSION MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF SAME TO THE CITY SECRETARY FOR THE RECORD.**

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**6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

All consent Agenda Items listed are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

*ITEMS No. “a” through “e”*

- a) Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 01, 2008.
- b) Authorization for the following individuals to incur travel expense:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date</u>
Larry A. Brown	Aviation	Pittsburg, PA	June 22 – 26, 2008
Michael Jones	Aviation	Pittsburg, PA	June 22 – 26, 2008
Norma H. Zamora	BUS	Alice, TX	April 23, 2008
Rebeca Castillo	BUS	Washington, DC	April 21 – 24, 2008

Rodney Gomez	BUS	Washington, DC	April 21 – 24, 2008
Mark Maddy	BUS	Washington, DC	April 21 – 24, 2008
Forest Maddy	BUS	Washington, DC	April 21 – 24, 2008
Viola Currier	BUS	Washington, DC	April 21 – 24, 2008
Rodney Gomez	BUS	Austin, TX	May 07 – 10, 2008
Minerva G. Flores	BUS	Austin, TX	May 07 – 10, 2008
Tom Logan	BUS	Austin, TX	May 07 – 10, 2008
Jose De La Garza	Bldg. Inspections	Arlington, TX	May 18 – 23, 2008
Jaime Buentello	Bldg. Inspections	Arlington, TX	May 18 – 23, 2008
Jaime Valdez	Bldg. Inspections	Arlington, TX	May 18 – 23, 2008
Pete Gonzalez	Finance	Troy, MI	May 11 – 13, 2008
Jorge Santillan	Finance	Troy, MI	May 11 – 13, 2008
Jeff Johnston	OEM	College Station, TX	April 21 – 25, 2008
Antonio Saavedra	Parks	San Antonio, TX	May 06 – 08, 2008
Jesus Alvarez	Parks	San Antonio, TX	May 06 – 08, 2008
Venustiano Martinez	Parks	San Antonio, TX	May 06 – 08, 2008
Robert Tyler	Police	College Station, TX	April 30 – May 02, 2008
John Byron Puckett	Police	College Station, TX	April 30 – May 02, 2008
Eduardo Lopez	Police	College Station, TX	April 30 – May 02, 2008
Adrian Posada	Police	College Station, TX	April 30 – May 02, 2008
Joe Villarreal	Police	Houston, TX	April 29 – May 02, 2008
Jose Juan Treviño	Police	Wichita Falls, TX	May 06 – 09, 2008
Joe Villarreal	Police	Dallas, TX	May 11 – 17, 2008

c) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** of **Ordinance Number 235-2008-018** to rezone from Apartment “G” (AG) to Professional Office “G” (1CG) for Lot 9 Block 97 of Brownsville Original Townsite located near East Adams Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)

d) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** of **Ordinance Number 235-2008-019** to rezone from Apartment “G” (AG) to Light Retail “G” (2CG) for .44 acres out of Block 2 of El Jardin Subdivision located at 1124 Morningside Road. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)

e) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** of **Ordinance Number 235-2008-019-S** to allow a General Retail Specific Use (printing shop 4C) in Light Retail “G” (2CG) for .44 acres out of Block 2 of El Jardin Subdivision located at 1124 Morningside Road. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)

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***BOARDS AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:***

7. Consideration and **ACTION** to appoint members to the Charter Review Committee. (Commissioner Leonel T. Garza) (**TABLED 04/01/2008**)

8. Consideration and **ACTION** to appoint or reappoint two (2) members to the Brownsville Beautification Committee. (Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo)
9. Consideration and **ACTION** to appoint or reappoint two (2) members to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. (Skip Keller – Parks and Recreation)

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***PUBLIC HEARINGS:***

10. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2008-024** to rezone from Apartment “F” (AF) to Professional Office “G” (1CG) of Lots 7 & 8, Block 78 of Brownsville Original Townsite Subdivision located at 207 E. Washington Street. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)
11. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2008-025** to rezone from Dwelling “G” (DG) to General Retail “G” (4CG) for Lots 9, 10, and 11 of Block 1 of Dunlap Subdivision located at 6468 Padre Island Highway. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)
12. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2008-026** to rezone from Dwelling “Z” (DZ) to Medium Retail “G” (3CG) for Lot 11 of Block 30 of Cameron Park Subdivision located at 4402 Paredes Line Road. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)
13. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2008-027** to rezone from Dwelling “G” (DG) to Light Industrial “G” (7CG) for 2.50 acres of Block 120 of El Jardin Subdivision located near Central Avenue and Mar Street. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)
14. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING of Ordinance Number 235-2008-601-CU** to allow a conditional use permit to sell on-premise alcohol (wet restaurant), for Lot 1 & E ½ of Block 140-A out of Stillman Extension and Addition to the City of Brownsville “El Dorado BBQ” located at 705 W. Elizabeth Street. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)

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***ACTION ITEMS:***

15. Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2008-044** in support of the filing of a Criminal Justice Grant Project titled: “*Second Chance*”, for Fiscal Year 2008 and 2009, authorizing the City of Brownsville Municipal Court to act on behalf of the City in all matters related to the application; and pledging that, if a grant is received, the City of Brownsville will comply with the grant requirements of the Criminal Justice Grant Project. (Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.) (TABLED 04/01/2008)
16. Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2008-045** to authorize the filing of a State Grant Funding application with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Gulf of Mexico program office, for a Gulf of Mexico Alliance Regional Partnership Project. (Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.) (Resolution died on 04/01/2008)
17. Consideration and **ACTION** authorizing Change Order No. 4 to the Taxiway G Reconstruction Taxiway D Lighting Rehabilitation Project. (Larry A. Brown – Aviation)
18. Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2008-048** to authorize the submittal of funding application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in connection with the development of a Parks and Open Space Master Plan. (Skip Keller – Parks and Recreation)
19. Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2008-049** to authorize staff to begin all studies and set possible Public Hearing date for annexation of the Brownsville Navigation Property. (Ben Medina, Jr. – Planning)

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

20. Consideration and **ACTION** to enter into an Interlocal Agreement allowing the Brownsville Independent School District (BISD) to erect a structure on top of the cured traffic divider, or median, at the intersection of Price Road and Eagle Drive in order to provide additional protection from traffic and the outdoor elements for pedestrians and safety personnel at that location. (Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.)
21. Consideration and **ACTION** to award a purchase of two (2) 2008 year model Motor-graders and two (2) 2008 backhoes for the Public Works Department – Streets Division. (Roberto C. Luna – Purchasing)

22. Consideration and **ACTION** to award a contract for 31<sup>st</sup> Year Community Development Block Grant “CDBG” Paving, Milling and Overlay Improvements for East Avenue, Crocket Avenue, and Milam Avenue. (Roberto C. Luna – Purchasing)

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***ADJOURNMENT***

**NOTE:** The City Commission of the City of Brownsville reserves the right to discuss any items in Executive Session whenever authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code.

**NOTE:** The City of Brownsville does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at 956/548-6037 (voice or Relay TX) by Monday, no later than 5:00 P.M., to make proper arrangements.

**By: Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.**  
**Mayor of the City of Brownsville**

I certify that a copy of the April 15, 2008, Agenda of items to be considered by the Brownsville City Commission was posted on the Bulletin Area at City Hall – Federal Building, on April 11, 2008. I further certify that the Agenda was posted on the City’s website and can be downloaded by accessing: [www.cob.us/agendas.asp](http://www.cob.us/agendas.asp).

  
**Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary**