

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

Anthony P. Troiani, At-large Commissioner “A”
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Melissa A. Zamora, District Commissioner 3

Rose M.Z. Gowen, M.D., At-large Commissioner “B”
Charlie Atkinson, District Commissioner 2
Edward C. Camarillo, District Commissioner 4

Pat M. Ahumada, Jr., Mayor

**NOTICE OF A 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, and a Regular Meeting, on Tuesday, March 02, 2010 at 5:00 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: 5:00 P.M.

- a) Presentation by Hispanic Active Relationships Project (HARP) – “Military Community Covenant” (Commissioners C. Atkinson and M. Zamora – 15 min.)
- b) Presentation regarding Ordinance Number 2009-911-E prohibiting the use of plastic bags in the City of Brownsville. (Art Rodriguez – Health – 45 min)

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REGULAR MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

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

INVOCATION:

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- 1. **MAYOR’S REPORT:**
 - Mayor’s Activities
 - Report on Multi-Modal Terminal Project
 - Announcement of Mayor Pro Tem and Deputy Mayor Pro Tem rotation

2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Charlie Atkinson Brownsville Sports Park
District 2 Update

Commissioner Edward C. Camarillo ONE Brownsville
Keep Brownsville Beautiful
Earth Day

3. PROCLAMATIONS:

Alfonso "AL" Senteno
(Mayor Pat M. Ahumada, Jr.)

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Historic Brownsville Aviation Month
(Larry A. Brown – Aviation)

4. PRESENTATION

Employee of the Month
(March 2010)

5. 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 "d"

- a)** Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2010.
- b)** Authorization for the following individuals to incur travel expense:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date</u>
Ignacio Torteya III	Municipal Court	Houston, TX	Mar. 14-16, 2010
Rene E. DeCoss	Municipal Court	Houston, TX	Mar. 14-16, 2010
Christopher Patterson	Parks	Frisco, TX	Mar. 04-05, 2010
Hawk Scott	Parks	Frisco, TX	Mar. 04-05, 2010
Ben Medina, Jr.	Planning	Washington, D.C.	Mar. 09-11, 2010
Carlos L. Garcia	Police	Waco, TX	Apr. 11-16, 2010
Kirk Massey	Police	Bandera, TX	Mar. 07-12, 2010
Napoleon Gonzalez	Police	Bandera, TX	Mar. 07-12, 2010
Kirk Massey	Police	Kingsville, TX	Mar. 03-04, 2010
Rolando Avitia	Police	Kingsville, TX	Mar. 03-04, 2010
Robert A. Garcia	Police	Kingsville, TX	Mar. 03-04, 2010
Napoleon Gonzalez	Police	Kingsville, TX	Mar. 03-04, 2010

- c) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** of **Ordinance Number 235-2010-601-CU** an ordinance to allow a conditional use permit to sale on-premises alcohol (Wet Restaurant) for Lots 17 (W ½), 18 and 19 of Block 2 of Summit Place Addition located at 2809 E. 14th Street. (Ben Medina – Planning)
- d) **APPROVAL** on **SECOND** and **FINAL READING** of **Ordinance Number 2010-1522** to amend Chapter 22 of the City Code of Ordinances by adding Article XII Sexually Oriented Businesses, Sections 22-640 through 22-646. (Mark Sossi – City Attorney)

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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

- 6. Consideration and **ACTION** to appoint members to the Brownsville Convention and Visitors Bureau. (Commissioners M. A. Zamora/C. Atkinson)

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 7. Public Hearing and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING** of **Ordinance Number 2010-1523** to amend Chapter 94, Article IV, of the Brownsville City Code by adding Section 94-125, to establish a Hotel Operation Fee, providing for collection of same, setting penalties for failure to pay same, and dealing with relate matters. (John Chosy – Assistant City Attorney)

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- 8. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** **PLEASE NOTE:**

THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD IS DESIGNATED FOR HEARING CONCERNS REGARDING CITY OF BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC POLICY OR CITY OF BROWNSVILLE BUSINESS.

THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND CONDUCT AT CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS ARE GOVERNED BY CITY ORDINANCE NUMBER 2009-1090-F ADOPTED ON MARCH 3, 2009.

- THE "PUBLIC COMMENT FORM" IS DESIGNATED FOR SPEAKERS TO BE RECOGNIZED AND 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.**

- 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 OR RECOGNIZED.
- “**PUBLIC COMMENT FORMS**” ARE NOT ACCEPTED AFTER 6:00 P.M.
- **POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS ARE NOT CONDUCTED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.** [For further information, contact The Office of the City Secretary at 548-6001]

PRESENTATIONS

PERSONS/GROUPS WHO ARE SCHEDULED TO CONDUCT A PRESENTATION, OR TO DISTRIBUTE HANDOUTS ASSOCIATED WITH A PRESENTATION, MUST PROVIDE 10 COPIES OF SAME TO THE CITY SECRETARY FOR DISTRIBUTION.

ACTION ITEMS:

9. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt **Resolution Number 2010-018** in support of the Military Community Covenant project sponsored by the Hispanic Active Relationships Program (HARP). (Commissioners C. Atkinson and M. Zamora)
10. Consideration and **ACTION** on **Resolution Number 2010-017**, in support and creation of affordable housing in the Fruitdale Neighborhood at Hwy. 48 & Fruitdale Road, and establishing a Community Revitalization Plan for the area, including one development known as Champion Homes at Rio Bravo, effective February 2010. (Ben Medina – Planning)


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 March 02, 2010, Agenda of items to be considered by the Brownsville City Commission was posted on the Bulletin Area at City Hall – Federal Building, on February 24, 2010. I further certify that the Agenda was posted on the City’s website and can be downloaded by accessing: www.cob.us/agendas.asp.



Estela Von Hatten, City Secretary