



SPECIAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE THAT A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY OF EDCOUCH WILL BE HELD
AT 211 W. SOUTHERN AVE., EDCOUCH, TEXAS, ON
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2020
COMMENCING AT 11 A.M.

AGENDA

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Invocation
- E. Discussion and Possible Action to approve Resolution 2020-02 on Submission of the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).
- F. Discussion and Possible Action approve Resolution 2020-03 on Submission of the 2021 Criminal Justice Program Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #3772602
- G. Discussion and Possible Action to approve Resolution 2020-04 on Submission of the 2021 Juvenile Justice & Truancy Prevention Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant # 3119005
- H. Discussion and Possible Action to approve Resolution 2020-05 on Submission of the 2021 Local Border Security Program (Border Star) Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #34003604
- I. Discussion and Possible Action to approve on Resolution 2020-06 on Submission of 2020 Stone Garden Grant Application to the Governors Office of the Homeland Security Grants Division Grant
- J. Adjournment.

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If during the course of the meeting, The City Council should determine that a Closed Session or meeting is authorized by section 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, 551.084, 551.086 of the Government Code or Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, notice of Closed or Executive Session will be given after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice pursuant to Section 551.101 of the Local Government Code. Should any final motion, decision, or vote be required in the opinion of the

council with regards to any item during the meeting, then such final action, decision, or vote shall be made during the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of the Public Meeting.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above notice of said Special Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Edcouch was posted on the main entrance to Edcouch City Hall on the 11 day of February 2020 at 5:00 pm and will remain posted continuously for at least 72 hours prior to the scheduled time of said meeting, in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated (Open Meetings Act).

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, THIS 14TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.

Victor H. De La Cruz
City Manager

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K. Call Meeting to Order Meeting was called to Order by **Mayor: Gonzalez at 11:03 am.**

L. Roll Call Roll call was called by **Mr. Hernandez** as follows:

	Present	Absent	City Staff:
Mayor: Virginio Gonzalez Jr.	<u> X </u>	_____	Victor H. De La Cruz, City Manager
Mayor Pro Tem: Rene Flores	<u> X </u>	_____	Orlando Jimenez, City Attorney
Alderman: Joel Segura	<u> X </u>	_____	Manuel Hernandez Jr., Finance/Grants
Alderman: John Chapa	<u> X </u>	_____	
Alderman: Robert Gutierrez	<u> X </u>	_____	
Alderman: Lorenzo Cabrera	_____	<u> X </u>	

Mr. Hernandez - Mayor, we have a quorum

M. Pledge of Allegiance Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Robert Gutierrez** ___.

N. Invocation was led by **Hugo De La Cruz** _____

O. Discussion and possible action to Approve Resolution 2020-02 on Submission of the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

Hugo: The meeting for today, each of these items, these are all grants, that Manny has been working on. We call this meeting today, this is a very important meeting, this is a system that is used by pd and is based off of NIBRS grant. **Quintana:** So, what it is every month, the pd has to submit stats for our offenses, what this grant here does is that they fund the software that we don't have that way we are not in any violation with FBI, or the state. And we can go ahead and submit everything on time. **Mayor:** What other requirements do we need? **Quintana:** Nothing, we are complying with everything right now. **Mayor:** So, just to report it on time? **Quintana:** Yes, just to report it on time. It's a web-based program, all we have to go is go online and then we can do our reports there and they automatically get sent to the state and the FBI. **Mayor:** What would happen if we accepted, and you would miss a report. **Quintana:** If we miss a month, then we don't get funded for future grants. **Mayor:** So, you are ready to be submitting on a regular basis? **Quintana:** Yes. **Mayor:** Any questions? How much was this grant for? **Quintana:** I think its 29,000. **Hugo:** Its for mainly software.

A motion to **approve** Resolution 2020-02 on Submission of the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) was made by Alderman Segura, 2nd by Alderman: Chapa. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

P. Discussion and possible action to Approve Resolution 2020-03 on Submission of the 2021 Criminal Justice Program Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant # 3772602 .

Hugo: Mayor this is a grant that Chief can maybe shed a little bit of light. **Quintana:** So, we have 2 grants, and the juvenile. Every year we have gotten those grants. Pretty much what they

do is, they help us with an extra officer that way we can have more boots on the ground. **Mayor:** What is the amount on this one? **Quintana:** On that one, they just provide the salary for one officer. For 2 actually. 34,000.

A motion to **approve** Resolution 2020-03 on Submission of the 2021 Criminal Justice Program Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #3772602 was made by **Alderman: Chapa**, 2nd by **Alderman: Gutierrez**. **All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.**

Q. Discussion and Possible to approve Resolution 2020-04 on Submission of the 2021 Juvenile Justice and Truancy Prevention Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #3119005

Hugo: Mayor this is also another grant, **Quintana:** This is pretty much like the last action, this grant is also to have an extra body on the ground. **Mayor:** This is also the regular salary of an officer, 34,000? **Quintana:** yes. **Mayor:** Alright any questions, need a motion

A motion to **approve** Resolution 2020-04 on Submission of the 2021 Juvenile Justice and Truancy Prevention Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #3119005 was made by **Alderman: Chapa**, 2nd by **Alderman: Segura**. **All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.**

R. Discussion and possible action to Approve Resolution 2020-05 on Submission of the 2021 Local Border Security Program (Border Star) Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #34003604

Hugo: Mayor this is also a grant, that will allow the city to have more boots on the ground, police officers. And the way this is used, the officers that we currently have, they can do overtime. I know a little bit about this one, I took over when I first came in. **Manny:** On this one, what we usually do, is we try to go high because we don't know exactly what amount they are going to give us yet. It can be anywhere from 30-40,000. The more we get the more we can help you out. **Mayor:** So, the goals for these grants is to help with the current force? Not to increase it but use or current force, so they can get more hours. **Hugo:** The current force, and what that will allow the way the chief and the lieutenant organize this is through overtime. Normally on the weekends we were to have 1 officer, maybe 2, and so you'd have double that. That's going to help with tickets, arrests and all of that. We did notice a difference last year, when we were using this. We doubled on everything.

A motion to **approve** Resolution 2020-05 on Submission of the 2021 Local Border Security Program (Border Star) Grant Application to the Governors Office of Homeland Security Grants Division Grant #34003604 was made by **Alderman: Segura**, 2nd by **Alderman: Gutierrez**. **All Voted Aye. Motion Carried**

S. Discussion and Possible Action to approve on Resolution 2020-06 on Submission of 2020 Stone Garden Grant Application to the Governors Office of the Homeland Security Grants Division Grant

Hugo: Mayor this is also a grant that can be used for more boots on the ground, overtime, equipment, vehicles and gear. This is a grant offered by the sheriffs department, in the past they have never went for this grant, I don't know why. We were granted this year, we went low since this was going to be the first year, we asked for \$40,000.00. **Mark:** We asked for 71,000.00 but, we only got granted \$40,000.00. **Hugo:** This next year we want to go a lot higher, and that will be for gear, vehicles. Keep in mind that if we are going to get vehicles that we do have to have the staff to man those vehicles. Its not just asking and receiving, we have to show that we have the use for all of this. **Mayor:** Combined, we have 100,000 more or less, in grant money available?

T. Adjournment

At 11:20 am, a motion to adjourn was made by Chapa, 2nd by Alderman: Guterrez. All Voted Aye. Motion Carried.

Take Notice that this are the true and correct minutes taken of the Special Meeting of the City of Edcouch held on Fri, February 14, 2020.

Passed and Approved by the Board of Aldermen on this 14th ____ day of February 2020.

ATTEST

Manuel Hernandez
City of Edcouch