

MISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CALLED – SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING
APRIL 4, 2019 - 5:30 P.M.
MISSION CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1201 E. 8TH STREET, MISSION, TX

PRESENT:

Dr. Armando O'caña, Mayor
Jessica Ortega-Ochoa, Councilwoman
Ruben D. Plata, Councilman
Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor Pro Tem
Gus Martinez, Councilman
Anna Carrillo, City Secretary
Randy Perez, City Manager
Bob Galligan, Interim City Attorney

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT:

Beth Barnes
Eddie Olivarez, Hidalgo County Health Dir.

STAFF PRESENT:

Aida Lerma, Deputy City Manager
Noemi Munguia, Human Resource Director
Roxanne Casarez, Public Information Dir.
Charlie Longoria, Media Relations
Joel Chapa, Police Officer
James Cardoza, Emergency Mgmt. Coordinator
Rene Alvarez, Assistant Fire Chief

1. Call to order

With a quorum being present, Mayor Dr. Armando O'caña called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

At 5:31 p.m., Councilman Ruben Plata moved to convene into executive session pursuant to V.T.C.A. Gov. Code Sec. 551.001. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Norie Garza and approved unanimously 4-0.

Councilwoman Jessica Ortega-Ochoa joined the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

2. Executive Session pursuant to V.T.C.A. Gov. Code Sec. 551.001

2.1 Consultation with Attorney Sec. 551.071

- A. Authorize City of Mission departments to take immediate action necessary to preserve the health and safety of the citizens of the City of Mission.

The City Council will reconvene in open session to take any actions necessary

Immediate action is required because of an imminent threat to public health and safety, and causes a necessity for the City Council to convene in emergency session as posted above.

At 6:20 p.m. Councilman Plata moved to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ochoa and approved unanimously 5-0.

Councilman Gus Martinez read the following statement: A public health concern has recently been discovered by UTRGV. Although there has been discussion that this outbreak may have originated within our city limits, it is crucial to understand that this is a county-wide matter and thus the Hidalgo County Health Department will naturally take the lead in this investigation. Our job as a City council is to provide any and all support to the County, assist in their directives, and inform our citizens of all material information needed to not only contain this matter but further ensure the safety and security of our community.

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On item 2.1 A – Councilman Martinez moved to authorize the City of Mission to cooperate completely with the Hidalgo County Health Department and to take action to review the health permits of the business or businesses alleged to be involved until it is remediated. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ochoa and approved unanimously 5-0.

3. Adjournment

At 6:21 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Garza moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Ochoa and approved unanimously 5-0.

Dr. Armando O'caña, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Carrillo, City Secretary