

DEE MARGO
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TOMMY GONZALEZ
CITY MANAGER



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**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM
JULY 8, 2019**

The City Council met at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 12:24 p.m. Mayor Dee Margo present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Peter Svarzbein, Aleksandra Annelo, Cassandra Hernandez, Isabel Salcido, Claudia Ordaz Perez, Henry Rivera, and Cissy Lizarraga. Sam Morgan requested to be excused.

AGENDA

1. For discussion and action: FY 2019 – 2020 Budget as presented by the City Manager.

Discussion and action may include, but not limited to operating, capital and debt budgets and all possible funding sources including the possible issuance of debt.

NOTE: The vision/goal team presentations were presented from July 8, 2019 to July 10, 2019. The following presentations were presented on July 8, 2019.

- **City Manager Overview**

Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager, provided opening remarks and along with Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mayor Margo and Representatives Svarzbein and Hernandez commented on supplementary requests and sales tax options.

- **Safe and Beautiful Neighborhoods**

- Goal 2 – Public Safety
- Goal 7 – Infrastructure (Capital Improvement, Sun Metro, Streets & Maintenance)
- Goal 8 – Healthy Community (Environmental Services, Animal Services, Community Development, Public Health)

Ms. Dionne Mack, Deputy City Manager, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Mayor Margo and Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Rivera, and Lizarraga commented and posed budgetary questions related to Sun Metro bus routes,

Animal Services staffing, Police staffing, crime statistics, community development and recycling programs, and street lights and cushions.

The following City staff members responded:

1. Mr. Jay Banasiak, Sun Metro Director
2. Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer
3. Ms. Nicole Cote, Office of Management and Budget Director
4. Fire Chief Mario D'Agostino
5. Assistant Police Chief Patrick Maloney
6. Assistant Police Chief Victor Zarur
7. Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager
8. Mr. Richard Bristol, Streets and Maintenance Director
9. Ms. Paula Powell, Animal Services Director
10. Ms. Ellen Smyth, Environmental Services Director

The Special City Council Meeting was **RECESSED** at 3:39 p.m.

The Special City Council Meeting was **RECONVENED** at 3:50 p.m.

- **Police Facilities and Staffing Study**
- **Fire Capital Plan**
- **Public Health Relocation Study**

Ms. Dionne Mack, Deputy City Manager, presented a 25 by 2025 PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager
2. Fire Chief Mario D'Agostino
3. Mr. Robert Resendes, Public Health Director
4. Ms. Laura Foster, Technical Services Architect for El Paso Water

The following consultants highlighted results from a Police Department Comprehensive Study:

1. Mr. Gilbert Morano, Senior Consultant, Prestige Consulting Services
2. Mr. Eugenio Mesta, President for Exigo Architecture
3. Ms. Marcella Attolini, Project Manager for Exigo Architecture

Mayor Margo and Representatives Svarzbein, Anello, Hernandez, Ordaz Perez, and Rivera commented and posed questions related to methodologies and factors used in the study.

- **Comprehensive Street Program Update**

Mr. Gerry DeMuro, Capital Improvement Deputy Director, presented a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file in the City Clerk's Office).

Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, and Ordaz Perez commented and posed questions regarding the recommendations contained in the presentation.

The following City staff members commented:

1. Mr. Richard Bristol, Streets and Maintenance Director
2. Mr. Tommy Gonzalez, City Manager
3. Mr. Ted Marquez, Deputy City Manager
4. Mr. Robert Cortinas, Chief Financial Officer
5. Ms. Karla Nieman, City Attorney

NO ACTION was taken on this item.

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ADJOURN

Motion made by Representative Annelo, seconded by Representative Svarzbein, and unanimously carried to **ADJOURN** this meeting at 5:41 p.m.

AYES: Representatives Svarzbein, Annelo, Hernandez, Salcido, Ordaz Perez, Rivera, and Lizarraga

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Representative Morgan

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Laura D. Prine, City Clerk