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A Regular Meeting of the Aransas Pass City Council was held on Thursday, February 16, 2017 in the Aransas Pass City Hall, 600 W. Cleveland Blvd., Aransas Pass, Texas 78336. A notice of the meeting was posted 72 hours in advance in accordance with Section 551, Texas Government Code. Mayor Adan Chapa, and Council Members Vickie Abrego, Billy Ellis, Phillip Hyatt and Carrie Scruggs were present. Also present was City Manager Sylvia Carrillo.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Chapa called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Mayor Chapa gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

Mayor Chapa deviated from the agenda and referred to Citizens Comments.

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Carol Salinas, commented on the executive session agenda item regarding the resignation of the City Manager. She added that Aransas Pass has lost another City Manager. Ms. Salinas spoke of the accomplishments under Ms. Carrillo's service and thanked her for her service and wished her the best.

Bill Denton, spoke in regards to item 3.1, regarding the RFP for Solid Waste and Garbage Collection Services and asked that the Council consider postponing this item due to the City Management changes facing the city. He added that this is a major change that affects every resident and every business and is a big undertaking for the Interim City Manager. He stated that the contract for the current vendor expires on April 30th, and would then go through the month to month process. He asked that the Council consider postponing and wait at least a minimum of 120 days, or after the upcoming City election scheduled for May, or upon the hiring of a new City Manager.

3. **CITY MANAGER:**

3.1. **Consider and Act on awarding RFP for Solid Waste and Garbage Collection Services.**

Mayor Chapa stated that he agrees with the comments made by Mr. Bill Denton and the issue with the City Manager leaving, and pointed out that there is no legal representation at the meeting. He referred to an email sent to the Council received today regarding the RFP summary for the three companies and not being fully informed.

A motion was made by Council Member Scrugg to postpone Item 3.1, RFP for Solid Waste and Garbage Collection Services for 120 days, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ellis, and the motion passed with the following vote: Chapa, Ellis, and Scruggs voting Aye; Abrego and Hyatt voting No.



5. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The meeting was recessed into Executive Session at 7:09 pm under the provisions of Section 551, Texas Government Code to discuss the authority of:

1. Section 551.074: Personnel Matters: City Attorney.
2. Section 551.074: Personnel Matters: City Manager.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 8:12 pm.

1. Section 551.074: Personnel Matters: City Attorney.


A motion was made by Council Member Hyatt to amend the City Attorney contract to continue health care coverage. Mayor Chapa asked for clarification on the motion, if he leaves, fired, quits or until he expires, and Mr. Hyatt concurred and the motion was seconded by Council Member Abrego, and passed with the following vote: Abrego, Ellis, Hyatt and Scruggs voting Aye; Chapa voting No.

2. Section 551.074: Personnel Matters: City Manager.


A motion was made by Council Member Hyatt to accept the City Manager's resignation effective March 1, 2017 and give her a 30-day net severance package based on the current contract, appoint Fernando Quintanilla as Interim City Manager, and hire Chris Hartung Consulting to conduct a City Manager search, and the motion passed with the following vote: Abrego, Ellis, Hyatt and Scruggs voting Aye on the entire motion; Chapa voting No to give the City Manager a 30-day net severance package, and Aye to appointing Fernando Quintanilla as Interim City Manager, and the hiring of Chris Hartung Consulting.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Chapa adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm.



Adan Chapa
Mayor



Mary Juarez
City Secretary

Approved on: March 20, 2017