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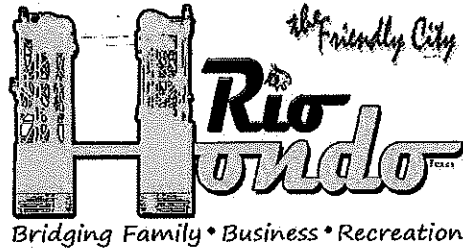
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DATE: TIME:

6/19/2020 4:00 pm



MINUTES FROM A REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 28, 2020.

The Government body of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on APRIL 28, 2020 at 6:30 pm in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, with **Mayor Gustavo Olivares** presiding and **Mayor Pro-tem Gerald Hartzog**, **Commissioners Rick Tello**, **Margaret Perez**, **Joseph Lopez** and **Alonzo Garza**.

Others present: Ben Medina, City Administrator; Sylvia Garcia, City Secretary; Lucia Garza, Finance/ Human Services Director; and Chief William Bilokury.

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Mayor Gustavo Olivares led the pledge at 6:30 PM.

INVOCATION:

Mayor Pro-Tem Hartzog gave the invocation.

REGULAR AGENDA:

1). MAYOR AND COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: None; **Commissioner Margaret Perez:** None; **Commissioner Rick Tello:** None; **Commissioner Alonzo Garza:** None; **Commissioner Joseph Lopez:** Ben, I called you in reference of having the City sanitized. Did you ever make contact? **Ben Medina:** Yes, sir. We have one quote and waiting for another. **Commissioner Lopez:** Get back with us? **Ben Medina:** Yes, sir.

Mayor Olivares: Continuation from what's been going on in the last couple of weeks. Been working very closely with the County Judge. Looking to the Governor's orders and changes that are coming our direction that have been coming throughout the weeks. I think things are starting to slowly come back to normal a little bit in regard to opening businesses with certain criteria and certain ways of opening slowly without putting the community in danger. I think it's moving in the right direction. I did receive this Governor's report today at noon. I asked the staff to go ahead and print it out for you, guys to take a look at it. We're kind of going to be following that after once the Judge gives it the final blessing. Hopefully, I believe Thursday or Friday he's going to have a conference call - something with the media. (Ben Medina: Conference call tomorrow). Once they give it the blessing and we're on the same page- it kind of has a lot of real good information in regards to how they would like for the businesses that are going to be allowed to open with a certain amount of capacity. There is a lot of good information in there. It talks about businesses, it talks about churches, talks about everything in general, theatres. You name it. Just go through that information. The reason I asked for it to be printed is that I really want everybody, the staff and us as elected officials to be on the same page

that when we do speak to the public we provide the same type of information. Instead of little bit of information. I know it's difficult. There are so many things that are going back and forth. Yes-no. Just keep that report handy. I think it's a good report. I am also asking Ben to either get this to the businesses and the churches in our community or set up a meeting for tomorrow. I'm not sure which idea he is going to go with. The other thing, our boat ramp is back open. We did not open the park yet because of the actual apparatuses, the exercise equipment, and the playground equipment. This morning on the conference call I followed up with the Judge and the County is not opening up anything having to do with playground accessories right now. We are going to hold up on that till further notice. I did speak to the Superintendent - he is going to open the track starting tomorrow for people to exercise. That's about it. That's my report at this time.

2). ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: BEN MEDINA.

The Cameron-Willacy Action Projects housed at our Senior Center have money for utilities and rent. We're promoting that through our website. People are taking advantage of this program.

*Ordinance for Truck Route ready for implementation. *All grant projects are up to date regarding grant requirements. *CCWCP has money for utilities and rent. *Executive Orders arrive almost daily. *Census update is that the city is 17 on scale by the County Clerk. *Open Texas-see attached plan.

Water Plant: *AEP is working on the electrical. They will be installing new poles. Contractor installing new pad for the transformer and new electrical boxes. Pumps will be placed. *Tonka Water will be sending us the prices for the filter and the new water package water plant. *Tank is being worked on by staff.

Lift Stations: *Robert Garza Lift Station pump upgrade will be in and done next week. Staff and the pump vendor will be installing those.

Wastewater Plant: *Needs new pumps seeking - pricing and funding. Park: *Closed.

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Mayor Olivares: Anybody sign up for public comments?

Ben Medina: No, sir.

4). CONSIDERATION AND ACTION APPROVING THE CITY COMMISSION MINUTES OF APRIL 14, 2020.

Mayor Olivares: I ask for a motion to approve?

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I so move.

Commissioner Margaret Perez: I second.

Mayor Gustavo Olivares: All in favor say I. We still another one to carry.

Commissioner Alonzo Garza: I.

Mayor Gustavo Olivares: Motion carries.

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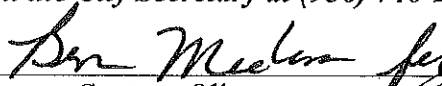
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5). FINANCIAL REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL PRODUCTS.

Ben Medina: You have this spread sheet on your desk. As you know we are in the sixth month of the fiscal year. We ended that in March. So, we just wanted to give you a little update before- after next month we start our budget process to let you know where we're at in our finances. Let me begin with this three-column worksheet. Pay close attention to our yellow one-the colored one. The first one is just what we did this last month. Just the one month showing. Then on your far right you have whatever we said was in the budget. The middle column is most important because that's how much we have collected for example in our revenues.

Mayor Olivares: So, you're talking about taxes there?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. Talking there about the taxes that have been collected. As you can see in your far right, we have collected 88% of our tax revenues. So, that's good. Most of the people have paid in the first three months. And we're off by \$49,734 at the end of the six months. So, we'll hopefully collect a little bit more throughout the summer. So, that will probably go down. We usually collect about 90%. That would be good. Water and sewer—you have your water you have \$249,455 and we're at 44% collected. In order to make the year point just divide the year in half—what I'm saying is \$34,245. There's no science to that. It's just divided in half.... the budget amounts.

Mayor Olivares: Is that something we're going to meet?

Ben Medina: Yeh, let me go down the report.

Mayor Olivares: But on the water?

Ben Medina: Yeh, the water and then the sewer....

Mayor Olivares: No. No, Ben my question is do you think we're going to meet what we budgeted for the water?

Ben Medina: Well, I'm hoping that we will. Most people are paying. There's only about 20 people that haven't paid. We have some payment plans. So, people are making every effort to pay. We're going to have a lot of people that haven't paid. So, I think we'll be okay. The sewer \$194,244 that we did exceed our midyear point by \$28,000. As you know our events—for example, the venues have gone by the wayside. So, we collected at least half. Half of what we wanted.

Mayor Olivares: That's probably reimbursable.

Ben Medina: Yeh.

Mayor Olivares: The venue.

Ben Medina: I guess. We need to check on that. Then we go down to our general fund which you see that—now this includes property taxes. I'm sorry, permit fees and other things. You reconciled there to 397 which includes the permit fees. Etc. So you have 397 and the 443.

Mayor Olivares: Donde andas?

Ben Medina: The second. The subtotal. La que dice approve. That's \$841,000. So, it reconciles.

Mayor Olivares: We're still on the first page?

Ben Medina: Still on the first page. So, as you know your budget is 1.3 million. We've collected \$821,000. So now you turn the page and you go to your fixed costs. This is your expenses. In expenses we have \$581,000 that we spent by March 31st includes salaries. And then we go into the buildings, water and sewer which also has part of salaries. You have those expenses. So, you have \$406,117 so you minus that and you have a deficit of \$183,000 in the general fund as of March 31st. Your sewer had a profit-not a profit, but net proceeds of \$337,582. Cash flow right now is \$145,000. So, the question the Mayor asked, "Are we going to be okay at the end of the year?". We will because part of the budget is not included in here is the transfer from reserves that we do every year. Also, there are some things in there like sales tax that hasn't been accounted for. I think we'll meet the budget and we'll meet the revenue.

Mayor Olivares: How much did we ask that we were going to move from reserves? Do you recall?

Ben Medina: Two-hundred thousand.

Mayor Olivares: Two-hundred thousand?

Ben Medina: And that hasn't been...

Mayor Olivares: Touched. Yeh. Yeh.

Ben Medina: But you have some projects that you want to do. The park structures including this one here and two structures at the park that need repairs. Miracle which is the people we buy from have the parts that we have to install. That's \$18,725 that I'm going to place on hold till later on during the summer to see how we're doing at the end of the pandemic. The street reconstruction project is about eight streets that we want to do.

Commissioner Lopez: How many streets?

Ben Medina: Eight. But we got three quotes. Not bids, but quotes. The lowest quote was \$75,861. But we can't do all of them. So, we're proposing that we do at least three for \$39,598. Then you have the Mesquite reconstruction that is going to happen very soon. The match for that is \$55,000. So, all those projects if you had money, we could do \$113,223. We're only going to do \$94,000. Which is three streets and the commitment to the match for Mesquite Street.

Mayor Olivares: And it's an overlay?

Ben Medina: It's an overlay? More than an overlay. It's filled with the subgrade. You mill it.....

Mayor Olivares: So, you mill the top layer of blacktop, right? And then you're going to come and put another three- four inches of blacktop? Okay. It's not going to be like we've done the oil and things like that?

Ben Medina: Chip seal. No.

Mayor Olivares: Okay.

Ben Medina: So, that's what we're proposing of the reserves. Part of it has already been committed. So, we go to the last sheet. This is where we want to show you what the cash balance is right now.

What is important is as where “cash is king”. That’s what we have. Every vendor that would come and want a check today this is how much money you have. In you operating account which is your daily operations you have \$284,401.73. Our grant accounts which all belong to the General Fund because of reimbursement of things we’ve spent because of grants is \$267,310.71 and that is held at Wells-Fargo. Lone Star National Bank where we deposit some of our water revenues—we call that our reserves you have \$689,252.92. Which includes three months of reserves which basically we cannot touch. It’s there for a rainy day. If this epidemic goes to next fiscal year, there will be some loses in terms of sales tax. So, if something happens like a hurricane this summer.... they are proposing a high active gulf. So, if something happens-we need money- we are going take it out of those reserves. Highly recommended that we have that. So, that brings you the total cash balance of \$1,240,000 that you’ve had for a long time. It reconciles. We’ve been very frugal. Lucy and I do a lot of work with our accounting. There are some positions that we’re going to delay a bit. The vacancies. So, those are the things we are doing. Making sure that we get quotes. Making sure that we get what we need. So, we’re doing okay in the terms of financing. So, be assured that if something happens, you have reserve money which many cities do not have that. We are okay right now. Even though you show problems at mid-year we are going to pick it up at the end of the year.

Mayor Olivares: Just keep in mind the police department not to delay any of their rehiring process. I know we’re short fall on funding. We have some positions that need to be filled.

Ben Medina: There are two. With them it’s kind of difficult to....

Mayor Olivares: No, what I’m saying is that us don’t to delay that. Continue looking for your officers, Chief.

Chief Bilokury: Okay.

Commissioner Lopez: The state and federal grant—have you looked at maybe applying for those under this disaster declaration?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. There’s several. There’s some for the library. We worked on one for the animal shelter.

Commissioner Lopez: This is the time to do it.

Ben Medina: Yes, sir we’re doing all of that. There’s just too much information. I’ve done several and we will continue to do some more.

Commissioner Garza: I have a question under the Mesquite---are y’all through with this person?

Ben Medina: Go ahead.

Commissioner Garza: Where did you get the \$55,000, Mr. Medina?

Ben Medina: That was committed by the City Commission when we submitted the application.

Commissioner Garza: Give me the minutes on that one.

Ben Medina: Sure.

Commission Garza: And how long is the street going to be that it’s going to take \$55,000?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. No. No.

Commissioner Garza: Do we have an engineer?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. Raul Garcia is our engineer. The street project that we applied for that was submitted by City Commission is from Arroyo all the way to Robinson reconstruction.

Commissioner Garza: I'm not familiar with that. Maybe I was absent that time.

Ben Medina: It's not \$55,000. It's a match.

Mayor Olivares: It's a grant, Alonzo. It's a big grant and then we just have to match it.

Commissioner Garza: I guess what I'm trying to be clear here is why Mesquite Street?

Ben Medina: Y'all selected that, sir.

Mayor Olivares: They also have to-I guess Mesquite St. has to qualify for the low-income section of our community. We could not submit-let's say Harris Road because it would not meet a certain criteria.

Commissioner Garza: Did you get that information through the County? Or where did you get it?

Mayor Olivares: It's through the fund agency.

Commissioner Garza: There's people that come here and do a survey?

Ben Medina: They did a survey.

Commissioner Garza: Okay. You answered my question. Thank you.

Mayor Olivares: Thank you, Ben. I appreciate that. Does anyone have any questions for finance?

6). COVID-19 UPDATE AND REVIEW OF GOVERNOR ABBOTT'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND CAMERON COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDERS.

Mayor Olivares: This is just so we can go a little bit more into detail in case anyone wants to discuss this into more detail. Let me just kind of cover a couple of things that I kind of read a little bit and talked to the actual Fire Marshall at the County level and our Chief. Based on the restaurants they are going to allow capacity of 25%. So, they want to use the fire code section. So, what they'll do is to measure the area where they will sit people. Basically, per person it's 60 sq. feet. Correct, Chief?

Chief Bilokury: Yes, sir.

Mayor Olivares: Sixty square feet per person. So, in order to have ten you will probably need six-hundred square feet. Right? Something like that. So, measurement is what's going to come down into to detail of how many people you're allowed there. The government-the enforcement behind it is going to be more self-enforcement unless we receive a complaint that people are over doing it. So, if you look at page 30 it talks about the restaurants. I believe it starts on page 27. So, it really goes into more detail for them. No more than six people to a table. Things like that. You will still have to meet the distance requirements. They got to use condiments that are throw away. So, like saltshakers, pepper and all that kind of stuff that can't be on the table. It's got to be prepackaged. Everything has

got to be disposable including menus. So, we have to suggest to them to maybe make copies of their menus. That way everybody can throw it away afterwards or take it with them. Either one. All those types of things are in this package refer to the restaurants. Like, I said this is the Governor's order. The Governor did make it very clear that his orders supersede any other orders. So, looks like this is kind of going to be the form of the direction that we are going to end up going. Like I said we are still going to have a County meeting to really give it all the blessings on this. So, does anybody have any questions in regard to the restaurant side of what we are going to be telling the restaurants? Of any suggestions or anything? Ben, do you got any questions or suggestions on this?

Ben Medina: No, sir. Just to go over this. As the Mayor mentioned the restaurants are not that big inside and do not have that many tables. So, ask the Mayor mentioned they will be self-policing. Masks are going to be recommended. The barber shops will remain closed. The Senior Center is going to continue providing curbside food. All the play structures in the park will be fenced off. Park is still closed. Masks will be highly recommended but not enforced. The churches they highly recommend older people remain at home. The churches will be cognizant of the safety of their parishioners. Maintain a safe distance. Recommending the masks. If you are doing it over the virtual to please continue doing that. But they are not going to say they will not hold services.

Mayor Olivares: They strongly encourage.....

Commissioner Perez: What page is that?

Mayor Olivares: That is on page 39 of this document. They highly encourage that maybe the church does a mass for at-risk population. Kind of having for the older people that are not in health condition a separate mass. One of the other things that they are talking about that is in this document is two or more members can sit adjacent to one another with two seats in between or six feet separation. The pew behind them will be empty-either side empty and then jump a pew in back and front. Staggered. So, the next pew will be empty of nobody and then someone else does the same.

Ben Medina: Checkerboard stack style.

Mayor Olivares: They will do alternate rows. It also gives you the protocols of how they got to train the staff to be able to follow those rules. That's going to be the same thing-it's going to be pretty difficult for us to be policing the churches and all that kind of stuff. We highly encourage the churches to follow the health protocol for employees and volunteers under the church and place of worship. I think that is a big help. They're recommending first try to continue doing the online stuff. You're given an option. This is supposed to take effect May 1st.

Ben Medina: Twelve AM, Friday. State is in control saying what is going to happen. The city cannot interfere. So, that's that.

Mayor Olivares: If you look on page 41 for the churches and place of worship on the bottom part it really tells the church the protocols that they got to follow. Basically, they're going to disinfect doorknobs, tables, chairs and restrooms. Disinfecting between services. Disinfecting any items that come into contact with attendees. Make sanitizers and disinfectant wipes readily available. Put signage to remind everybody the best hygiene practice. All these things have to be put in place to continue occurring. That is basically it on the church part. There is more information there. Just going over the main protocols.

Ben Medina: This is what affects the barber shops, restaurants, and the churches. The hospital and clinics we do not have. I think the proprietors will do a good job.

Mayor Olivares: The other important thing that we have for the City of Rio Hondo is our museum and our library. It is specific here what we need to do to allow them to operate. At the same time with a capacity of 25% like the restaurants. The same type protocols that we expect for everyone else to follow. The safe distancing and separating two people with chairs in between someone else, and all that kind of stuff. When are we going to open? Are we going to open on Friday or Monday?

Ben Medina: We're going to open on Monday. For the library. Not too many people go there but they will be spaced. I forgot to mention that our lobby has been closed now for a few weeks. I plan to open it June 1st. It is working quite well. Technology has helped.

Mayor Olivares: We'll continue working-if the need arises where either the Commission or myself start getting a lot of request from the community that it's best to open we will take a look at it and make that decision based on.....

Ben Medina: Yes, because we have fifteen cases in Rio Hondo.

Mayor Olivares: It is something that is of concern. The good thing about it is that the majority of the cases are related to another case. So, that means it's a family situation and not completely spread out in the entire community. It's kind of a hot spot within a household or two. That's a good thing. The other one the sports activities-they are only going to open anything that takes four people to play. So, like golf or tennis. Things like that. If we see a crowd of two people playing something, I think we should be okay. If we see a group of people playing-- six or seven then it's something that maybe the Chief might just have to remind them once in a while. I know that it's hard to do that. It also gives the public things that they got to do themselves. If they have any signs, they need to make those decisions on their own. So, we need to enforce that. To also push that through. Am I leaving anything out, Ben, in regard to that?

Ben Medina: No, sir.

Mayor Olivares: So, if your kids want to go to a theater it's going to be open May 1st. Which you're probably going to get those requests. The kids are different level. They want to do things on their own already. Keep that in mind. So, any other questions or any suggestions for the businesses that are going to be opening? Just so we can keep that in mind when we talk to them. Any of you guys might want to say anything?

Commissioner Tello: What about the adult care centers?

Mayor Olivares: Those are kind of their own state guidelines. Not really for us to enforce.

Ben Olivares: They follow health services. It's just the same thing. Distance requirements. They follow their licensing agency.

Mayor Olivares: It's like the Governor said, "It's not mandatory for you to open". If you want to continue staying home and not go to a restaurant. Don't go. If you don't want to go out into the community without a mask you put on a mask. They are putting a lot of responsibility on everyone in general to make those decisions on their own. Whoever wants to open they're going to give them the

ability to open at a 25%. What I hear by the eighteenth he wants to give another opening mark. That should probably put it...maybe get to the 50% mark of businesses to be open with 50% capacity. They're using the example of Home Depot, HEB, and Walmart that normally are working at a 25% at this time. Supposedly they've been doing it for some time. It's worked and that's why they want to implement the 25% on the restaurants. Barbers and exercise equipment are still closed. I know the barber here in Rio Hondo and even the one outside Rio Hondo (the gentleman lives here in Rio Hondo) they're hurting. We ask those questions every time how soon barbers are going to reopen. They just keep pushing it back. We feel their hurt. We just got to follow those rules. That's it on my part. Anyone have any questions?

Commissioner Lopez: I got a comment. When if ever we slowly lift these bans and when it's completely lifted that doesn't mean that the virus is gone. It's still going to be lingering around. We still need to tell people to be cautious about it. Sometimes, you know, a bad situation like this turns out to be something good. The State of Texas as I was reading through Abbott's report here is going to create 500,000 jobs throughout the State of Texas. With the physician practitioners in training or even the nurses in training, as I was reading - rather than them taking the state exam or the federal certificate exam they are going to be exempt. For the purpose of trying to get these people into the hospitals- into the medical field to start practicing and treating these people that are ill. Which is good. Also, there's grants available through FEMA for this that we can apply for and are available. Like for example, if and whenever you sanitize, Ben you can put in for that to get reimbursed and stuff like that. We just do our part as a City and Commissioners. You know. Of course, we can't dictate and hold everybody's hand and tell them what they can do and what they can't to do. At least we can do our part and say we did our part. That's all.

Mayor Olivares: Thank you, sir. Anyone else?

Commissioner Garza: Mayor, my concern would be more in people that are not employed because of what is going on. I know that I have family and friends that financially you know hope and they're citizens of Rio Hondo within the city limits. Some cannot even pay their water bill because of finances. We as a town or city - do we have something in plan to help these people out? Because I would like to know. If not, we need to make a plan of action.

Mayor Olivares: Actually, Mr. Garza based on our TML requirements and I receive a lot of TML frequently asked questions throughout the State. And one of the things that TML tells us is that we cannot give the water away for free. Which means waive a fee, like waive the water but we could work on a payment plan. We are not disconnecting any water from no one that is unable to pay their water now, but we can work on a payment plan for them so where they can pay back to the City at their pace. Also, the only thing that we can probably waive that is not against the rules would be the penalties. If I'm not mistaken, Ben. Those are the only ones that we could waive. So, that would be something down the road that once we get the public that is unable to pay, I will probably ask Mr. Medina to bring something to the table with a list of people that want to make a payment arrangement. I would probably ask the Commission-if we got a bunch of them then I will probably ask the Commission to approve the list of people that are going to be on a payment plan and for how long. Also, if we are going to be waiving any late fees. That's what I will probably end up doing if we have a bunch of people doing that. So, we are looking into that. I've been doing the research with TML and that's where we're at right now.

Commissioner Garza: It's up to you. I will support you.

Mayor Olivares: Thank you, sir. I appreciate it.

Commissioner Perez: If and when that happens is there any way, we can find proof that they have to show something that they are out of work and cannot pay? Because some people are still getting paid. I've heard a lot people say that they are not going to pay stuff because they are lenient and they're letting payment plans. So, they are going to make small payments. Unfortunately, there are people who really need the help and then you have the ones who are milking it and taking advantage.

Mayor Olivares: And I don't know if we can do that. But I do understand is that the water bill isn't going to go away. It's either going to be paid this month or two months down the road. Because what I understand we probably are going to have to do..... Once this is all over with, I will tell you that we will probably make like a four- or six-month payment plan and after that they have to pay it off. That's something that eventually the Commission has to decide how long we give them more or less. As of right now if they cannot pay the bill, they are not going to get disconnected. We're just going to keep track of it. But eventually they will have to pay the expense down the road. It is kind of difficult, Margaret. It's pretty hard to police that. That's my report and Ben's report having to deal with COVID-19 and things like that. Unless anyone else has any other questions. Mr. Hart, you're kind of quiet today.

Commissioner Hartzog: No, I'm very quiet. I have a mask on. I can't talk.

Mayor Olivares: Ben, anything else?

Ben Medina: No, sir. That's it.

Mayor Olivares: Chief, anything?

Chief Bilokury: Negative.

Mayor Olivares: Chief has been working very closely with us. It's been hectic a little bit once in a while. We've finally come and figured the situation out and address the issue. Thank you, Chief and your staff and everyone. Everyone here that is working. Thank you, guys, very much.

Mayor Olivares: Let me just have a motion to acknowledge the report.

Commissioner Lopez: I so move.

Commissioner Tello: I second.

Mayor Olivares: All in favor say I. Motion carries.

7). CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A BUYOUT AND TRANSFER OF SERVICE AREA AGREEMENT BETWEEN EAST RIO HONDO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF RIO HONDO 2020 AREA.

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. This has been reviewed by our attorney. This is regarding to a buyout and transfer with East Rio Hondo Water Supply Company, where they will transfer the old rail line from Industrial Parkway all the way down to Huerta. In return ERHWS wants is where their building is for their East Rio Hondo Supply-half of the field from the canal to Robertson and railway is in their CCN. They want the City of Rio Hondo to relinquish that CCN to them and they will give us this land. Also,

take on the expenses of transfer, which will include engineering costs, surveying, producing some maps, and a minimal fee to PUC which should cost no more than \$3,000 in total.

Commissioner Lopez: Ben, is this the land on the southside of Hatch Road?

Ben Medina: Hatch Road. You know where the feed store is.

Commissioner Lopez: Yeh.

Ben Medina: That side?

Commissioner Lopez: All the way to the canal?

Ben Medina: All the way to Huerta.

Mayor Olivares: No. The CCN .

Ben Medina: Our CCN is from Robertson all the way down to the middle of that field past his office. That's his CCN.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: In other words, we don't take in the whole acreage all the way to the canal we only take in half of it? What is the arrangement with the feed store?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir he wants the feed store. In our last discussion we want to carve that out. Because remember Mr. Alaniz was present. So, that is still negotiable with him if he wants that. I think he will agree for it to pull that little corner out. Nothing much. He's got our water anyway. But that would be a killer if he doesn't decide to do that. I do believe. Or if you just want....

Mayor Olivares: To me, I think yeh. We need..... The feed store person first came to us with his concerns and I think that's something that has been discussions from the beginning. So, tell him.....

Ben Medina: As Mr. Hartzog can attest to it. You can tell him but unless he signs on the dotted line that that's what it's going to be, and we'll approve it then we're okay. But at any time, he may come and say, "No".

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I really don't think the Alaniz are going to want to deal with him. I don't blame them. So, I think that should be contingent in part of our discussion and our concern.

Mayor Olivares: What I understand the purpose that he wants that is because he wants to serve his own water.

Ben Medina: Right.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harzog: He wants to take over his own building. Which is fine.

Mayor Olivares: He wants to run his own water line to his building.

Commissioner Tello: And sewer line.

Mayor Olivares: Water and sewer lines.

Ben Medina: No, sewer we have. He does not want sewer.

Mayor Olivares: This exception does not include sewer. It only includes water. That's it.

Ben Medina: He's told me you can have all the sewer in the world you want but I want the water.

Commissioner Lopez: Ben, if for whatever reason he doesn't get the Alaniz building, is this deal.....

Ben Medina: It will probably stop.

Commissioner Lopez: It will stop?

Mayor Olivares: We'll come back to it, Joe. To let you know if he wants it or not.

Ben Medina: We'll keep you abreast. This is just information.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: He wants to control his water. That is big time for him. So, but you also have to make sure it's in the dotted line because if it's not on the dotted line he will come back, and you will have a nightmare on your hands.

Commissioner Lopez: I'd like to keep the Alaniz building.

Ben Medina: Yes, I do to.

Commissioner Lopez: When I was going through this, I thought it was having to do with the apartments.

Mayor Olivares: No.

Commissioner Lopez: So, the apartments are still ours, right?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir all that is ours. That's ours up to the canal.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Since Joe has mentioned that, we got a manhole on what he wants to take in.

Mayor Olivares: We have our sewer lines there.

Ben Medina: And force main.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: So, is that...I mean he's not going to turn around and come back and say, "Your sewer line is not mine".

Mayor Olivares: He's not buying the property. He's getting the CCN. The right to provide water to that area. We also have a CCN for sewer there. We're not removing the CCN for sewer. Correct?

Ben Medina: Right.

Mayor Olivares: We're only saying CCN for water. So, as long as that is clear.

Ben Medina: That's just preliminary.

Commissioner Tello: At any time can we charge them Franchise Fees in the future?

Ben Medina: For example, like....

Commissioner Garza: Good question.

Commissioner Tello: I mean I'm saying because he's still within our ETJ.

Ben Medina: Yeh. No. We can just develop something. We have never charged him Franchise Fees.

Commissioner Tello: That's what I'm asking.

Ben Medina: City doesn't have that ordinance

Commissioner Tello: Can you look into it?

Ben Medina: We can develop an ordinance and approach him.

Commissioner Tello: I don't want him to come back and screw the City around.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Basically, we need to table this till you finish?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. Just to let you know.

Mayor Olivares: He just wants direction of what we're doing.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I am like Mr. Lopez; the mayor and myself----I would like to see the Alaniz property stay as ours. For their sake.

Commissioner Lopez: Ben, on that railroad right of way our plan is to build.....

Ben Medina: A walking trail. Yes, sir.

Commissioner Lopez: What about going south? You know that fence where the R.V....

Ben Medina: Yes, sir The Park Twin Palms. That's a separate easement that I'm waiting for as part of other land donations. Where they give us more footage and we move the fence back. We're working with that with Roundtree Law Firm.

Commissioner Lopez: Do we have to move the fence?

Ben Medina: We're going to have to move it because they're going to give us the right of way.

Mayor Olivares: We have to convince.... because at one point or another that R. V. Park submitted a deed on the railroad and somehow, they got it.

Ben Medina: They bought it.

Mayor Olivares: They bought it and because we had the offer to get it and we never did anything back in the day.

Ben Medina: The City sold that and the property across the street. Perea's. They sold all that.

Mayor Olivares: So, now we have to buy it back from those people. I think it's a good idea.

Ben Medina: We're working with them so their residents can walk the trail. Their owners are in agreement of that.

Mayor Olivares: The plan there that I'm probably going to suggest down the road besides the trail- there where we come out on Ebony there is a bunch of concrete where maybe build a basketball court for that area. We already have the actual concrete in place. It won't take that much just leveling out

the concrete and all that. Hopefully, all that goes through and the trail and all that stuff will be built there.

Commissioner Garza: So, what are we going to do with the other side?

Mayor Olivares: So, I suggest that we go ahead table it, Ben. Is that what it is?

Ben Medina: Yes.

Commissioner Lopez: I so move.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I second.

Mayor Olivares: All in favor say I. Motion carries. Just bring us back the final draft.

8). CONSIDERATION AND ACTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS SMARTBUY MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM AND RESOLUTION.

Ben Medina: This is a membership through the State Comptroller's purchasing authority. The City will get discounts and state prices.

Mayor Olivares: Kind of like Buy Board?

Ben Medina: It's like a Buy Board.

Mayor Olivares: Do I have a motion?

Commissioner Lopez: I so move.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I second.

Mayor Olivares: All in favor say I. Motion carries.

9). SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2020-002: AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF RIO HONDO, TEXAS GOVERNING THE RIO HONDO COMMUNITY CEMETERY PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, AND PROHIBITING FURTHER INTERMENTS AS STIPULATED, AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCE OR POLICIES WRITTEN OR CUSTOMARY IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Mayor Olivares: This is a Public Hearing. I open the Public Hearing at 7:20 PM on April 28, 2020. Open for public discussion.

Ben Medina: As we discussed in the first Public Hearing this is our city cemetery on Madero. This cemetery will be officially closed for future burials. Will remain under the auspices of the City of Rio Hondo. Maintained, cleaned but we will not allow further burials unless the people have a receipt and a legal document that was issued at one time for a plot. Other than that, no more interments there at this cemetery. So, basically that is something of the ordinance. We will continue to maintain, cut the grass, trees, upkeep it, and maintain the fences. We are going to add the fences, Miss Margaret along the canal. Other than that, it will remain a cemetery.

Mayor Olivares: And this ordinance is really just going to give us a little bit of times that it is going to be open things like that for the public to go visit. It's still going to be open for the public to go in and

take flowers and do whatever they need to do. Just the main thing is no more additional burials due to that we don't have an actual plot of who is there-who is not there. So, I think this is a great idea. This is a second Public Hearing. Anyone else want to comment on that?

Commissioner Lopez: Yes, I would like to comment on that.

Mayor Olivares: Yes, sir.

Commissioner Lopez: Being that this is a Public Hearing and we're still under quarantine; I don't know if this is fair for those residents that want to say something. To show up. Being that we're under quarantine and they're under quarantine. It's just that I'd like to give the public an opportunity to say something. If for any reason they don't know about this meeting or just don't want to show up that's different. That's my concern. Secondly, some people aren't going to have a receipt for a plot other than a family member saying my dad is buried here and my mom is living, and she wants to be buried next to him. What then?

Ben Medina: No, sir. You have to have a receipt. That's it. That's the bottom line. No receipt-no burials.

Commissioner Lopez: We're going to get a lot of phone calls.

Ben Medina: No. We have an alternative.

Mayor Olivares: That's the thing that we need to keep in mind here is that we're not doing it to prevent people-I guarantee you if we had 200 spaces available and a plot saying where everyone should be buried at I don't think it would be an issue. The problem here is that the City doesn't have any documentation of where people are buried. So, we are trying to avoid any further issues in the future. Where let's say the City tells them "bury it there" and then someone's there already. And then we move it over here. We understand that family members want to be buried with their loved ones. But it is a city cemetery. If we're going to continue burying people, then the City's got to take responsibility for giving deeds and making sure that no issues are happening. So, I would suggest we keep in mind that we have another cemetery. There's always going to be people wanting to be buried next to each other. When you don't have any room for that, and you don't have proof that is your plot and for us to tell somebody---even if we give it away to them--to say "you can go ahead bury someone here in this lot". We are doing a wrong thing because we don't know what is there and we got to be careful with that. So, that is my thing too.

Commissioner Garza: I want to..... I want to.....

Commissioner Lopez: I totally agree with you, Mayor. I don't want to have anybody disturbed who's at rest. I agree we that 100%. Like you said and I agree with you---we don't know where some of these people are buried. Even way back ten years ago whenever we started talking about this we didn't know. There are people there that at one time or another all they had was a wooden cross. As time went by the weather took it's beating on it and then the people were cleaning, they just moved that cross. Because they see an empty ground, they think nobody is there but there is somebody there after you start digging. Anyway, the other thing is there was a survey done on that cemetery and to the south of it I think we own like another 20 feet or 30 feet from there. Once we pass this ordinance

there's got to be some kind of signage or posting of this ordinance and a phone number to contact City Hall before anybody does anything there. To notify of the people they want to be buried there.

Commissioner Garza: I think I want- I am taking agreement with Commissioner Lopez in reference to this Public Hearing on this ordinance.

Mayor Olivares: Yes, sir.

Commissioner Garza: And we know the State and the County has everyone in a quarantine. So, how do you expect them to be here when they're under (inaudible)? And I think it's unfair for the citizens that not to be here present and let them make decisions. We're here to decide for them. I think this is not really fair. If we had three of them here, and I think it settled. I think. On another note, Mr. Medina do we have some kind of document saying that we can do this? This ordinance. Can you prove it to me?

Ben Medina: Sure.

Commissioner Garza: Alright. We need to be very-very careful when we do something like this.

Mayor Olivares: The thing is that, Mr. Garza put yourself in the Police Chief or Mr. Medina's situation. Okay? Let's say tomorrow five people come to you and you're the city manager and tell you, "I need to bury my family". Okay? Where do you tell them to bury without any documentation?

Commissioner Garza: (Inaudible), Mayor.

Mayor Olivares: No. No. Where do you tell the people where to bury each family member? Because everyone is going to say, "This one my dad is buried here, this one nobody can touch it". No, it really doesn't work that way. What we need to do...If we want to go the route of selling or giving away property at that cemetery then the city needs to make a plat.

Commissioner Garza: But I don't think it's up to the City to give it away.

Mayor Olivares: It belongs to the City, sir.

Commissioner Garza: Well, I need to see the document before.....

Mayor Olivares: There is a deed.

Commissioner Garza: I need to see it.

Mayor Olivares: There is a property deed that is deeded to the City of Rio Hondo. Okay? It's on record at the County Records. So, in order for---I don't like to put Ben, or any new city manager, or any mayor or any other commissioner in the future that if a family member comes to us and asks us, "Where do I bury my family member"? Who is going to say, "This is the spot"? It has to be the City. Right? And in order for Ben to feel comfortable, or the Chief, or the City Secretary or anybody working for the City we have to give those people a deed by law that says, "This is lot one. This is where you can bury them because nobody is there". We don't have that. So, that's why Ben is bringing it to the table and say, "Look we believe we don't have any rooms there anymore and we don't have the proper documentation to be selling lots". Because you're required to give somebody a deed when somebody is going to bury someone there. That is going to belong to them forever. So, when we don't have that in place then we're putting our city staff-ourselves in a situation we shouldn't be in. There could be a

second option where we can go ahead and go deed these properties. Go get a survey. And not just a survey -I'm talking about the property lines. I'm talking about surveys of finding out where everyone is buried. If there is someone buried on these lots. We can do that, but I don't know what the cost will be to do that. If that's the route the Commission wants to go, I don't have an issue with hiring someone to come and locate every single body in that cemetery so we can continue burying people there. But that's the only way I believe that we all can sleep at night is by being able to tell the people, "Yes, there is nobody here. Here's your deed. We're going to give it to you for a dollar or five hundred dollars". Whatever it is. But in order for any City official is to be able to do that you got to have something where someone is not going to encounter someone else there later.

Commissioner Garza: Right now, I think my concern is that you know it says public hearing. How do you get the public here when they're in quarantine?

Mayor Olivares: This is an essential function, mister and it's fine. I don't have an issue with adding more public hearings if we need to. I think we can do that. I don't have an issue with that.

Ben Medina: There is no action today.

Mayor Olivares: So, the important thing is that I want the City Commission to please keep this in consideration because if tomorrow one of us needs to bury somebody there..... who is Ben or the Chief, or me or any of the Commission to say that this lot is empty and is ready to bury somebody there? Nope. Do you have an idea, Chief who is buried where?

Chief Bilokury: No.

Mayor Olivares: Do you, Ben?

Ben Medina: No, sir.

Commissioner Garza: I do not.

Mayor Olivares: No. No. Exactly, Mr. Garza. Pero a hundred years ago. A hundred years ago.

Commissioner Garza: There's a lot of room there.

Mayor Olivares: No. A hundred years ago.

Commissioner Garza: Stake them out. You're going to stake them out. Put the stakes there. And put the stakes there (inaudible) and what not.

Mayor Olivares: No. No. So, what I'm saying is that no one here has those documents to be able to say, "Here is this lot I sell it to you for a dollar. Go ahead and go bury somebody there". Because we are going to get in trouble if we do that and someone is there, and we damage someone, or we disturb someone. So, to me the only alternate route is the City invest money to locate every single person there. And if you guys want to do that, I'm cool with that too.

Commissioner Lopez: Ben, we don't have nobody-I mean you don't have a plot to say who's where?

Ben Medina: No, sir. There's no map of this community cemetery.

Commissioner Lopez: What?

Ben Medina: There's no map of this community cemetery.

Commissioner Lopez: Nobody kept track of it at all?

Ben Medina: No, sir. It was donated

Commissioner Garza: It was donated.

Commissioner Lopez: Other than if you go over there and there is a headstone and you know that there is somebody there?

Mayor Olivares: Right.

Ben Medina: Some of them have stones and some of them do not have nothing.

Commissioner Garza: That property was donated to the citizens.

Mayor Olivares: To the City. It was donated to the City.

Commissioner Garza: I know first it was....

Mayor Olivares: Yeh. Yeh. It was probably public property.

Commissioner Garza: Cemetery. But now that's why I need to see the documents. Right now, the courthouse is closed but I want to look into it. I want to find out. I will do it myself. I used to have all the documentation at one time.

Mayor Olivares: We had this discussion--- I don't know how many years ago, too. We did the research and it belongs to the City of Rio Hondo. The proper ways to do it, guys is to go plat it and go locate everybody and then if there are lots empty, then do that. So, if that's the route the Commission wants to go then we need to put an item on the agenda to give Ben to hire people to locate them.

Ben Medina: Not this year. Maybe next fiscal.

Mayor Olivares: It can be done. How much it's going to cost us, I don't know. To me, if there is someone there already, I would hate to go disturb somebody. So, like I said this is a public hearing. I mean Chief, do you want to put a little input in that?

Chief Bilokury: It's.... I.... I think I'll....

Mayor Olivares: No. No. But you need to give us your input because you deal with some of these things

Chief Bilokury: Right.

Commissioner Garza: Mayor.

Mayor Olivares: You deal with some of these things.

Chief Bilokury: I would recommend that Mr. Garza- kind of like we don't have the City Attorney here - because of the pending issue he should really abstain from making comments because I'm documenting everything he is saying and there are minutes here. And I am recommending him so not

to take his aspect. He needs to really abstain from this. Seriously that would be my first statement. I'm writing everything down.

Mayor Olivares: Okay. But most important, Chief.

Chief Bilokury: We want to prevent people from going in there and we wouldn't want this to happen again. That is the main thing.

Mayor Olivares: So, the thing is this, Chief to me would you feel comfortable, or Lucy if somebody comes and tells you "I need to buy a piece of property. I need to bury somebody there". Would you feel comfortable saying, "Go to lot one underneath the tree-lot three-four? That's where you can do it, or we don't have none of that". So, it's pretty hard to ask them to do that.

Commissioner Margaret Perez: We don't even know where they start or end.

Mayor Olivares: Right. So, that's why I'm just making sure that we understand that. If we had everything, guys where lot one is at, lot ten, twenty or thirty hey, I'm cool to fill those up when needed. But I don't think we have that.

Ben Medina: The reason why basically the underlying of this ordinance is that there have been other cities in trouble. One up the Valley here that somebody disturbed some remains. The state agency, I think it was the Department of Health and Historical Commission found out about it and then they made the city do a forensic DNA analysis of each fragment to determine who it belonged to and then to put it in the right place. That cost almost bankrupt the city. So, we don't have the resources for any of those studies. So, the best thing to do is that we do have an alternative. We have another cemetery that is very reasonable. That's platted. That we know where everybody is at. We can give him a deed of that plot.

Commissioner Garza: Right now, my concern, Mayor.

Mayor Olivares: Yes, sir.

Commissioner Garza: Is that this is a Public Hearing. Everyone is in quarantine. So, we don't have a public here. That's my (inaudible). So, do whatever you're going to do but I think it's unfair because we don't have a public here.

Ben Medina: All our ordinances are published on the internet, Facebook.....

Commissioner Garza: And whatever you guys decide it doesn't matter to me. But right now, it's just Public Hearing and we're in quarantine. I don't even think we should even be here because of the quarantine.

Commissioner Perez: And these meetings and the agendas are online and Facebook and everything? I know that's there people out there.

Ben Medina: And the ordinances are online. They can submit comments.

Margaret Perez: (Inaudible).

Commissioner Garza: That's fine. That's fine. I'm just saying everyone is in quarantine. Do whatever you guys want to do.

Mayor Olivares: Any further discussion? Anybody else want to put any input? Or is it just me that I think we need to...

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Well I'm like you, Mayor or anyone. Because number one we are not voting on this. This thing came up. (Inaudible.) We don't have vote to accept the ordinance till...if you want to have different hearings that's fine with me too. But as for being able to place anybody to rest there right now it would be very much a problem.

Mayor Olivares: Any further discussion? Just closing remarks from me on that. If we want to do this, guys we need to do it right and I'm all in favor of doing it right. Okay? I am all for doing it right.

Commissioner Garza: I agree with you. I agree with you. Just have the Public Hearing. Get the public - you know....

Mayor Olivares: What we'll do is probably extend another Public Hearing. I don't think there's an issue with that. We are in no hurry. At this moment the cemetery is still closed. If somebody comes, "I'm, sorry we cannot provide you a deed. We cannot provide you any type of documentation to be a hundred percent sure where you can put your loved one". So, I think we could probably bring up another Public Hearing.

Ben Medina: Oh, we will.

Mayor Olivares: Continue.

Commissioner Lopez: If somebody comes and they want to bury a loved one we would refer them to the other one.

Mayor Olivares: Yes, I know that's perfect. And that's what we want to do.

Commissioner Lopez: But we do need to get a handle on this one over here. We really need to get a handle on it.

Mayor Olivares: Alrighty. Thank you very much everyone. Anyone else would like to say anything before we close the Public Hearing?

Commissioner Tello: So, we table item number nine? Or take no action on that?

Ben Medina: No action. Just close the Public Hearing.

Mayor Olivares: That's It.

Commissioner Tello: Okay.

Mayor Olivares: So, anyone else here that would like to say a comment in regards to this Public Hearing? Anyone else? Alright, I ask to go ahead and close the Public Hearing at 7:38 PM, April 28th? Is there a motion to close the Public Hearing?

Commissioner Perez: I so motion.

Commissioner Tello: Second.

Mayor Olivares: Everyone in favor say I. Motion carries.

10). SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE NO. 2020-003: AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF RIO HONDO, TEXAS, GOVERNING THE RIO HONDO ARROYO PARK CEMETERY, PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEDULE OF FEES, RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, FACILITIES & GROUNDS FEES AND OTHER FEES AND POLICIES AS STIPULATED.

Mayor Olivares: So, this is for the one at the Arroyo.

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. The Arroyo.

Mayor Olivares: On Arroyo by Mr. Hartzog's property around there?

Commissioner Lopez: The resaca.

Mayor Olivares: The resaca. Yes, sir.

Commissioner Lopez: Why (inaudible)?

Ben Medina: Okay. This ordinance is basically laying out some rules for that cemetery. That is also open to the City of Rio Hondo. That one does have a plat. It has numbers and we go by those numbers. People come and select the site. Some people have payment plans which we do for them. But there is really no ordinance in the cemetery. It was deeded to the City. They did plat it and the City went by that. It started to form in to where there is no uniformity. It's harder for staff to maintain when there is really no uniformity. We want to develop that into which is a very nice cemetery. These lay out some rules. Basically, the rules here it will begin and starts with the introduction that it's owned by the City of Rio Hondo and that you can purchase a plot here. There are some operations from 7 AM to 6 PM. The speed in the roadway there is 5 miles per hour. And then it goes into the rules specifically for the cemetery that plots are only for humans. Nowadays as you may know there's cemeteries for pets. This is only for humans. Plots are to be sold for family members only and cannot to be resold.

Mayor Olivares: Actually, what you are saying, if I buy a lot there, I cannot sell it to Mr. Garza as an example. Right?

Ben Medina: Right.

Mayor Olivares: I could only say my son, or my wife, or my brother or somebody I can give it to them so they can use it.

Ben Medina: Right.

Commissioner Garza: Again, I am going to go back to the Public Hearing. So, I am going to go back to that, Mayor. Other than that, do whatever. That's fine.

Ben Medina: It's a Public Hearing. People had the opportunity to come and it was published. Okay. No plot shall be opened except at the request of purchaser-heirs to receive the remains. That's pretty clear cut. Also, for governing of the cemetery itself the City of Rio Hondo will maintain and cut the grass, maintain a separate account all deposits and transactions. The City will assign the City Manager or someone responsible for the operations of the cemetery. If a burial is going on, staff cannot be cutting grass at that time. All will cease for that particular time. Cost and fees. Adult sizes right now are 4'x9' are at \$500.00 with this ordinance we're going up from \$500 to \$600.

Mayor Olivares: How much are they now as we speak?

Ben Medina: Five hundred.

Mayor Olivares: Five hundred?

Ben Medina: Yes. Also, infant and child not to exceed 42" and 34" wide right now everybody pays the same price, but we are going down to \$400.00. If the need arises when you need to bury somebody today you have to pay it in full. If you want to reserve or a layaway plan it's twenty-five percent down and twelve equal payments. Which I think is very good. Opening the grave, they need to let us know twelve hours before that. Opening the graves on Saturday or Sunday they need to let us know at least no later than by 4:00 PM on Friday. All interments will be done by a licensed funeral director. Okay. That bring some knowledge if a problem arises, they know what to do. Unfortunately, if somebody is buried there and it's a mistake, they know exactly what to do. To notify us. Through their training and through their license requirements they know exactly what to do. Only a licensed director can come and dig a grave. It will be part of the responsibility of the funeral home. Like this, "I can go and hire my brother to dig the grave". No. It has to be from a funeral home. For interments we have to follow state laws and local laws. Planting and other decorations, grass, flowers, shrubs, trees, and other types of vegetation planted only by the direction of the City. We hope to start soon to irrigate that cemetery. The placing of flowers/plants is recommended for Flag Day, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Veteran's Day, also Christmas. (Inaudible). After sixty days those flowers that are no longer in good condition will be removed. One important thing is that they have to have some kind of marker. What I've seen is many people do not place a marker. We know where they're at which is a good thing. We recommend they place a permanent marker.

Mayor Olivares: A permanent marker.

Ben Medina: Permanent marker. Not a wooden structure.

Mayor Olivares: The only thing I would say on that, Ben is to give them a time period. Sometimes to make a permanent marker it takes a good 3-4 months. I dealt this with my father who passed away a couple of months ago. It takes some time. So, I think maybe adding a time period by a certain date they must have a marker permanently in place. Or ask for an extension to the City if needed for more time or something.

Ben Medina: They have to be made of granite or good quality material. All weather material. To set the markers of course it's Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM. As soon as the publication of this ordinance takes effect-we will have another public hearing. We will have two other Public Hearing just as the other one. It's published. We can talk to people.

Commissioner Garza: What is twenty-five percent of five hundred?

Ben Medina: Twenty-five percent of five hundred? One hundred twenty-five dollars.

Commissioner Perez: Six hundred is...

Ben Medina: No. No. Five-hundred dollars. Twenty-five percent.

Commissioner Perez: One-hundred fifty.

Commissioner Garza: One-hundred fifty? Esta bueno. I might buy two plots.

Mayor Olivares: Yeh, that's good.

Commissioner Lopez: Ben, do you know how many plots we have over there?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. That exceeds 350 available spaces.

Commissioner Lopez: These, we're keeping track of them?

Ben Medina: Yes, sir.

Commissioner Garza: So, when.....

Mayor Olivares: Hold on, Alonzo. Joe is talking.

Commissioner Garza: Es que no lo oigo.

Commissioner Lopez: Again, when we finish all of this can we have an ordinance posted over there? A phone number to call City Hall.

Ben Medina: Yes, sir. It will be published the things of do's and don'ts like you see at other cemeteries. Dates that they can put flowers as I mentioned.

Commissioner Lopez: You do know that there are two entrances? There's one and then the other that Mr. Hartzog is on. You can post it on both sides. Likewise, at the other cemetery.

Ben Medina: Right. There will be signage.

Mayor Olivares: Fencing is going to be a big priority because the road is really a road. It goes through the cemetery and is a road. It is not part of the cemetery.

Commissioner Garza: It's a road?

Mayor Olivares: Yes, it's actually a road. It loops. That section - there is actually a road.

Commissioner Garza: So, we can't have a gate there?

Mayor Olivares: We don't. I don't think we do.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Ben, so, everything is plotted, correct?

Ben Medina: Yes.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Everything is plotted. So, we already have numbers. We know what numbers are not filled.

Ben Medina: Yes, sir.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: What ought to be included in the cost is....

Mayor Olivares: A brick or something.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: A brick that has plot number two-hundred and thirty-six. Okay. If we have one-hundred fifty left or whatever-I don't know where we are going to store them. Maybe we figure

out where to store them over there in a locked-up facility. When the person purchases it-when they come to bury them if they don't have their monument then they place the plot number the 236 there, also. And that way there will be a plot number there.

Mayor Olivares: For temporary basis.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I think we ought to be able to order. Somebody already has to make those things.

Ben Medina: Yeh, they're making them some.

Mayor Pro-tem: It shouldn't be that expensive. I would think.

Ben Medina: They're plastic.

Commissioner Lopez: That's a good idea. Go ahead on the empty spaces and as somebody purchases it you just take that out and you just say, "This is where so and so is going to be buried".

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: What I'm also thinking in the meantime they don't have their monument but at least we still got a brick there that says, "This is plot 236". We know. We know who's there. Just a thought. Just a thought.

Mayor Olivares: When my father was buried at Mont Meta, they actually put his name on a real small one. They put concrete and put it there. Just a simple thing. His name, date and everything. When the rock came in then they took that one out and put the real one in. I think that's something we can-even if cost one-hundred dollars maybe we can add it. We can give it to the people for their homes.

Ben Medina: It's a nice location.

Mayor Olivares: Oh, it's a beautiful cemetery. It just needs beautification. I think that should be our next step to really beautify it. I know Mr. Garza has been asking for water there forever. Maybe we should just need to go put a water meter there. Even we are going to use our own water.

Commissioner Garza: There's used to be a pump there too, Mayor. There was a water pump. Getting water from there. Everything is there. All we need is a pump. Somebody tried to steal it when I was Mayor. Went with a chain and dragged it. I don't know (inaudible) hunting at that time. Cause he could have (inaudible). Pero they removed the pump and were supposed to go back and put it back on and they never did. They used to irrigate there.

Mayor Olivares: Especially we need to either put meters or a meter or something. We need to keep it beautified.

Commissioner Garza: It is a nice cemetery. It's nice.

Ben Medina: Public Hearing.

Mayor Olivares: So, this it is a Public Hearing. So, anyone else would like to say anything in regards to this Public Hearing? This is the time. Any further discussion or anything that you guys think should be added so Ben can draft into the ordinance. At the end, everything is going to be voted for. Right? So, a good suggestion like for example, a mark bar that I said let's give a time period so they can order their

stuff. I think that is a good suggestion. If there are any other suggestions having to do with the detail of the ordinance...

Commissioner Garza: Is this just for the citizens of Rio Hondo o que? Or are we allowing Matamoros to come in here?

Mayor Olivares: That's an option that could be on that ordinance. That is it-maybe it could be.....I hate to say this but..... I better not say it.

Ben Medina: Right now, it's anybody can come.

Mayor Olivares: Yeh, I would say..... Yes, it's a good thing. It's just going to be for the citizens of Rio Hondo. Let use this example, some of my family members live outside the city. Right? Maybe they want to be buried next to me or someone from the City. Right? So, I think it would be a good idea to figure how to work that. Unless like you said be family regardless where they live. You know what I'm saying?

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I don't think you can say that you have to be from a geographic area to be buried there. I just don't think you can say that.

Mayor Olivares: Okay.

Commissioner Perez: You might have people who lived here and then they moved away but then they want to be buried here.

Mayor Olivares: That's why it's a public hearing. Anything else before we close this Public Hearing? Mr. Tello? Everything cool? Alrighty. Let go ahead and close Public Hearing at 7:54. Do I have a motion to close it?

Commissioner Lopez: I so move.

Commissioner Tello: I second.

Mayor Olivares: All in favor say I. Motion carries.

11). THIRD AND FINAL PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE 2020-001 ESTABLISHING A TRUCK ROUTE IN THE CITY OF RIO HONDO; AND PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY.

Mayor Olivares: This is open for Public Hearing.

Ben Medina: This is a public hearing. We have discussed this before. This is taking trucks from 106 going north to Wilbur-Ellis or the oil tank farm. To go continue north make a left turn on Bates and make a right turn on Reynolds to go continue north to Chestnut. On Chestnut they will make a left and one they reach North Reynolds; they will be right in front of the entrance to the tank people.

Mayor Olivares: This is open for Public Hearing and discussion.

Commissioner Lopez: Is there any widening of Robertson and that street they turn of on? Chestnut?

Ben Medina: Chestnut. We discussed that with the County, and they will take that and try to accommodate. So, that's their responsibility.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I don't think it's ours to designate what road the County will prepare what the County will use. That's going to be the County's situation. It's out of our jurisdiction. What they do with Chestnut they do with Chestnut. I don't think we have the legal right to tell the County to use Chestnut to run them down on to begin with. So, that's going to be theirs to negotiate or take care of. I would also like to say this, I have informed Wilbur-Ellis two times to show up before the pandemic. You know. Before this problem. They don't show up for this Public Hearing. I personally think that the oil company-Wilbur-Ellis have really taken advantage of the citizens of Rio Hondo: not paid any taxes; not concerned about the road; not concerned about a lot of things. I firmly believe this road needs to be shut down for truck route.

Commissioner Garza: I agree with you there. Mayor, I have a question.

Mayor Olivares: Yes, sir?

Commissioner Garza: If Robertson is damaged who is going to pay for it?

Mayor Olivares: If what, sir?

Commissioner Garza: Robertson St-you know these people there are overweight. I don't want to say more than that. If they damage our streets who is going to pay for our damage?

Mayor Olivares: We're responsible for that, Mr. Garza in reference to maintaining the road. Right? I had asked if we could reach out to DPS see if they could help us with enforcement in regard to weight capacity. I think that's the route that eventually we need to go. Get DPS involved to do a little bit more monitoring in Rio Hondo. Also, maybe eventually add another job description to the Chief. I know it takes certifications and all other kind of things so we can do it in house. At the end of the day we're responsible for the streets. If we ever encounter damages done by someone else at their negligence and we have proof, then we can probably sue them. But we have to have everything in place. So, if we don't have monitoring we're never going to know.

Commissioner Garza: I don't think it's our responsibility to let them have that street. To say, "Go ahead and use it". I think the County if I'm not mistaken they get some kind of financial entity from the so called.....

Mayor Olivares: The MPO?

Commissioner Garza: Yes. Or...

Mayor Olivares: Or through the bridges.

Commissioner Garza: Yes. The County has been making money and not the City of Rio Hondo. I agree with what Jerry was saying a few minutes ago that we are being taken advantage of when it comes to that.

Mayor Olivares: That is something maybe we can still continue to work with the County in reference to maybe split the costs or something whenever we need to do that road. Approach their Commission for guidance and help. I think that is a good way to approach it. Maybe they'll help us with it.

Commissioner Garza: Okay.

Mayor Olivares: That is the Public Hearing. Third and final Public Hearing. So, any further discussion from anyone in the public, or anyone present, or any of the City Commission? The only thing I can probably tell you is that before we put up any signs once it gets approved, we will be sure that the County is aware and give them a time period. So, they can know this is happening, like effective this date. So, that can probably be in the next item-maybe part of your motion how much time you want to give putting up signs and enforcement. That's part of the Public Hearing. My comment there.

Commissioner Lopez: Where Bates and Reynolds meet up just north there is a sign that says, "Truck Route". So, we can go around and just take them signs down?

Ben Medina: Yes. There's several.

Mayor Olivares: Probably use some of those. Before we take into effect we need to reach out. No other discussion, do I have a motion to close Public Hearing?

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I so move.

Commissioner Lopez: I second.

Mayor Olivares: We got a first and a second and it's 8:00. So, we close the Public Hearing. All in favor say I. Motion carries.

12). CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON ORDINANCE 2020-001 REPLACING ORDINANCE 177 TRUCK ROUTE AND ESTABLISH A TRUCK ROUTE IN THE CITY OF RIO HONDO AND PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT: PRESCRIBING THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ITS PROVISIONS AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

Mayor Olivares: So, at this time it's asking for your approval. I would recommend that if you have an approval you set a time period when it can take into effect. It's up for discussion.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Yeh. As for the time frame, I think we need to discuss it with the County. Personally, I think if we're going to make a motion, we're going to have make it with that yes to accept the relocation of the truck routing pending negotiation with the County and with the City of being able to get it in place where it works efficiently.

Commissioner Lopez: And bring it back on the agenda. I mean we're going to finalize it. I don't know if we have to put it back on the agenda just to say that we met with the County and this is the timeline.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I don't know that we really need to meet with them. I think we're all in agreement that we need to do this for the public safety of Rio Hondo and for the money that it costs us. I think we should just give the Mayor and the City Manager the authority to negotiate with David and with their County Commissioner's court of how we can put it together.

Ben Medina: It's negotiable. It can take effect in thirty days. Sixty days.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Right. But I think y'all are the ones that are going to have to solve it. For me to say you can do it in 30 days or the County can do it in 30 days. The County can come back and say "Wo! Wo! You guys got to give us a little more time". Especially with the pandemic.

Mayor Olivares: What I understand, Mr. Hart. The last time we went with Commissioner Garza he's the one that gave us the road to go to. He said that he was in favor of it. We did mention how about

making the road wider and all that kind of stuff. He did mention he will take that into consideration as time goes by. So, I think if you give us thirty days, I will be able to meet up with him and Ben and really come up with a plan for it.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: We can rescind it.

Mayor Olivares: It we cannot come into a plan of 30 days to take into effect. I will not put it into effect unless we can do it in coordination with the County.

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: Okay. Then I'll make a motion that this ordinance should go into effect in 30 days with the consent of the County, the Mayor, and the City Manager of Rio Hondo if they have to extend it in a working relationship then that is fine.

Commissioner Lopez: I want to second, but I want to add that this is the third and final...we've had three Public Hearings on this on three different occasions. They have been posted properly on our city agenda and nobody's appeared or said anything for or against this. I second this.

Mayor Olivares: So, we got a second by Mr. Lopez. Everybody in favor say I. Motion carries.

13). EXECUTIVE SESSION.

a. Consultation with Attorney 551.071.

None.

14). NO EXECUTIVE SESSION REQUIRED.

15). ADJOURNMENT.

Mayor Olivares: Do I have a motion to adjourn this meeting?

Mayor Pro-tem Hartzog: I so move.

Commissioner Tello: I second.

Mayor Olivares: All in favor say I. Motion carries.



Eddie Treviño, Jr.
County Judge

**AMENDED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDER
INCLUDING MANDATORY FACIAL COVERINGS
ISSUED JUNE 17, 2020**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr., declared a state of local disaster on March 16, 2020, due to imminent threat arising from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 418.108(b), on March 21, 2020, the Cameron County Commissioners Court approved Cameron County Commissioners Court Order Extending Corona Virus/COVID-19 Disaster Declaration; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 418.108(b), the consent by Commissioners Court authorizes the Cameron County Judge to continue to exercise the powers granted by the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 for the period specified in the order; and

WHEREAS, there currently still exists a declaration of public health disaster in and for the State of Texas as declared by Texas Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and by approval of the Cameron County Commissioners Court authorized the Cameron County Judge to take such actions as are necessary in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Cameron County by the issuance of orders as necessary; and

WHEREAS, the transmission of COVID-19 has not dissipated but remains a significant threat to the health and safety of the Cameron County Community and rates of infection are increasing at an alarming exponential rate and the number of people ending up in the hospital, ICU, or on ventilators is also dramatically rising despite efforts by local authorities to control the spread; and

WHEREAS, the County Judge has determined that extraordinary emergency measures must be taken to try and mitigate the effects of this public health emergency and to facilitate a response to the public health threat; and

WHEREAS, a County Judge is authorized to control ingress to and egress from a disaster area and control the movement of persons and occupancy of premises on an appropriate local scale in accordance with Section 418.108(g) of the Texas Government Code and his authority as Emergency Management Director; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Amended Emergency Management Order to remain as consistent with and to harmonize, to the extent possible, the executive orders of Governor Greg Abbott and the current declarations of the Mayors of the Cities in Cameron County (as extended or modified); and

WHEREAS, by the authority vested in me as Cameron County Judge and as the Emergency Management Director for the County of Cameron to continue to protect the health and safety of the community and address developing and rapidly changing circumstances when presented by the current public health emergency, I hereby rescind my previous Executive Orders and any Supplemental Executive Orders and issue this Amended Emergency Management Order including mandatory facial coverings in their place.

PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS DISASTER ACT OF 1975, CAMERON COUNTY JUDGE EDDIE TREVIÑO, JR. HEREBY ISSUES THIS AMENDED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Effective as of 12:01 a.m. on Friday, June 19, 2020, ("*Effective Date*"), and continuing through 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, unless extended, modified or terminated early by Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr. or as otherwise indicated below:

- I. Public Health Emergency. That this Amended Emergency Management Order shall continue the local disaster declaration and public health emergency for Cameron County for the period specified in this Amended Emergency Management Order and shall incorporate and adopt the most recent executive order GA-26 issued by Governor Greg Abbott on June 3, 2020, and any subsequent orders by the Governor relating to the expanded opening of Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

- II. Health and Safety Policy – Commercial Entities. From the date of this Amended Emergency Management Order, all commercial entities in Cameron County providing goods or services directly to the public must develop and implement a health and safety policy ("*Health and Safety Policy*"). The Health and Safety Policy must require, at a minimum, that all employees or visitors to the commercial entity's business premises or other facilities wear face coverings when in an area or performing an activity which will necessarily involve close contact or proximity to co-workers or the public where six feet of separation is not feasible. The Health and Safety Policy required to be developed and implemented by this Amended Emergency Management Order may also include the implementation of other mitigating measures designed to control and reduce the transmission of COVID-19 such as temperature checks or health screenings. Commercial entities must post the Health and Safety Policy required by this Amended Emergency Management Order in a conspicuous location sufficient to provide notice to employees and visitors of all health and safety requirements. Failure to develop, implement, and ensure compliance with the Health and Safety Policy by employees and visitors within five (5) calendar days following the effective date of this Amended Emergency Management Order shall result in a fine not to exceed \$500 for each violation.

III. Face Coverings – General Public. That all people 10 years or older shall wear a face covering over their nose and mouth when in a public place where it is difficult to keep six feet away from other people or working in areas that involve close proximity with other coworkers. The CDC advises face coverings for people 2 years or older. Face coverings may include homemade masks, scarfs, bandanas, or a handkerchief. Cameron County residents should continue to maintain social distancing of at least six feet while outside their home. Cameron County employees are also required to wear face coverings under the same circumstances as the general public.

IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT YOU NOT OBTAIN OR WEAR MEDICAL MASKS or N-95 RESPIRATORS AS THEY ARE A NEEDED RESOURCE FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND FIRST RESPONDERS.

Our healthcare workers and first responders on the front-line combating COVID-19 must have priority access to medical masks or other personal protective equipment. Face coverings do not need to be worn in the following circumstances:

- When exercising outside or engaging in physical activity outside
- While driving alone or with passengers who are part of the same household as the driver
- When doing so poses a greater mental or physical health, safety, or security risk
- While pumping gas or operating outdoor equipment
- While in a building or activity that requires security surveillance or screening, for example, banks
- When consuming food or drink

Please note that face coverings are a secondary strategy to other mitigation efforts. Face coverings are *not* a replacement for social distancing, frequent handwashing, and self-isolation when sick. All people should follow CDC recommendations for how to wear and take off a mask. Residents should keep up the following habits while in public:

- washing hands before you leave home and when you return,
- staying at least six feet away from others,
- avoiding touching nose or face,
- not using disposable masks more than three times, and
- washing reusable cloth masks regularly to prevent the spread of the virus.

Consistent with Executive Order GA-26 issued by Governor Greg Abbott, no civil or criminal penalty will be imposed on individuals for failure to wear a face covering.

IV. Cameron County Essential Business. That residents of Cameron County conduct essential Cameron County business online or via regular mail to avoid visiting any Cameron County facilities unless absolutely necessary.

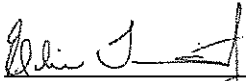
V. Severability. The sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Amended Emergency Management Order are severable and if any phrase, clause,

sentence, paragraph or section of this Amended Emergency Management Order should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court or competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections that can be given effect without the invalid provision, and to this end, the provisions of this Amended Emergency Management Order are severable.

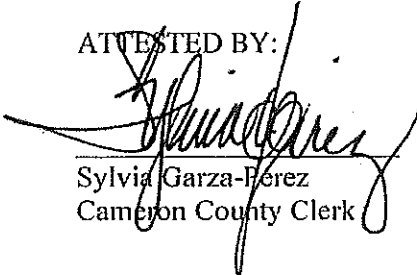
VI. Interpretation and Additional Terms. To the greatest extent possible, this Amended Emergency Management Order shall be interpreted as consistent with and supplemental to any executive order issued by the Texas Governor. All provisions of the executive orders of the Texas Governor either existing or as, if and when issued, which are made applicable to all jurisdictions by law shall be automatically incorporated into and constitute terms of this Amended Emergency Management Order, enforceable as if set forth herein without necessity for the issuance of any further orders.

VII. Enforcement. Excepting Section III of this Amended Emergency Management Order and in accordance with the limitations contained in the executive orders of Governor Greg Abbott, that any peace officer or other person with lawful authority is hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this Amended Emergency Management Order in accordance with the authority granted under the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 and the Cameron County Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this 17th day of June, 2020.


Eddie Treviño, Jr.
Cameron County Judge

ATTESTED BY:


Sylvia Garza-Perez
Cameron County Clerk





Eddie Treviño, Jr.
County Judge

Para la Liberación Inmediata

17 de Junio del 2020

Contacto: Eddie Treviño, Jr.

Juez del Condado de Cameron

**ORDEN DE EMERGENCIA ENMENDADA INCLUYE LAS CUBIERTAS FACIALES
OBLIGATORIAS EMITIDAS EL 17 DE JUNIO DEL 2020**

Efectivo Viernes, 19 de Junio del 2020 a las 12:01 a.m. el Juez del Condado de Cameron Eddie Treviño, Jr. ordeno, en consenso con el Tribunal de Comisionados del Condado, que todas las empresas y entidades comerciales en el Condado de Cameron debe requerir que todos los empleados y visitantes del local y otras instalaciones utilicen una cubierta facial cuando se encuentren en un área y / o realicen una actividad donde el requisito de distanciamiento social de seis (6) pies no es realizable. Las cubiertas faciales pueden ser un artículo disponible para el hogar, como: un pañuelo, costura o cubierta de tela, pañuelo o prenda de vestir.

Todas las entidades de negocio y comerciales del Condado de Cameron que proporcionan bienes y servicios al público en general deben desarrollar e implementar una Política de Salud y Seguridad donde se requiera la utilización de una cubierta facial, y otras medidas para reducir y controlar la propagación de COVID-19, como verificación de la temperatura y un análisis de salud. Todas las entidades comerciales deben publicar la Política de Salud y Seguridad en un lugar visible suficiente para proporcionar aviso a los empleados y visitantes. Si no se desarrolla e implementa una Política de Salud y Seguridad dentro de los cinco (5) días de calendario siguientes a la Fecha Efectiva, puede dar lugar a una multa que no exceda los \$500 por cada infracción.

Siguiendo la recomendación del Centro para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades (CDC) de utilizar una cobertura facial, todas las personas de 10 años o más deberán llevar una cubierta facial sobre la nariz y la boca cuando estén en público y cuando trabajen en áreas cercanas. Todos los empleados y visitantes del Condado de Cameron, cuando estén en un edificio del Condado, tienen el mandato de utilizar una cubierta facial adecuadamente. Todos los residentes del Condado de Cameron deben continuar manteniendo las guías de distanciamiento social de al menos seis (6) pies de distancia cuando estén en público, y practicar una buena etiqueta de higiene.

Esta Orden de Emergencias Enmendada está en consentimiento y complemento a cualquier Orden Ejecutiva emitida por el Gobernador de Texas Greg Abbott.

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