

**THE STATE OF TEXAS §**  
**COUNTY OF CAMERON §**  
**CITY OF PORT ISABEL §**



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Joe E. Vega, MAYOR

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE PORT ISABEL CITY COMMISSION**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the Port Isabel City Commission in accordance with Article II, Section 2.08 of the Charter of said City, will convene a Public Hearing & Regular Meeting at the City Commission Chambers Meeting Room, located at 305 E. Maxan on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the following items:

**NOTE:** The City Commission of the City of Port Isabel reserves the right to discuss any items in Closed Session whenever authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code. The City Commission may discuss the items on this agenda in any order.

The City of Port Isabel does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the Office of the City Secretary at 956-943-2682 at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting to make proper arrangements.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM: PLEASE NOTE:**
  - o Any person with business before the Commission, **not** scheduled on the Agenda as a **public hearing** may speak to the commission.
  - o Public Comment Forms are located on the table at the entrance of the City Chambers meeting Room. *[For further information, contact the Office of the City Secretary]*
  - o Public Comment Forms must be filled out and presented to the City Secretary fifteen (15) minutes prior to the meeting, to be considered/recognized.
  - o The speaker must state his/her full name before speaking.
  - o There is a three (3) minute time limit per speaker.
  - o Public Comment Forms are not accepted after 7:00 p.m.
  - o Powerpoint Presentations are not conducted during the public comment period.
- IV. COMMENT BY COMMISSION:**

Any member of the City Commission may comment on any matter and receive information from staff about the current city position on any matter, but the City Commission will not take formal action.
- V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:** All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda. Items No. "1" through "1".
  - 1. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the following meetings:
    - April 22, 2008 A Regular City Commission Meeting
    - May 14, 2008 Special City Commission Meeting

**VI PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Discussion on a request from Ernesto Martinez Castillo to open and operate a Taxi Company.  
**[Building Inspector, Clifford Rowell]**

**VII SPECIAL REPORTS**

- Update on Mejia and Rose waterways survey, on use of boats by the City Harbor Master and the Modern Venice Waterways Ownership issue. **[City Attorney Robert L. Collins]**

**VIII NEW BUSINESS [ALL ITEMS WILL REQUIRE ACTION]**

1. Discussion and potential action to approve Ernesto Martinez Castillo to open and operate a Taxi company. **[Building Inspector, Clifford Rowell]**
2. Discussion and potential action to approve the Library to change their hours for the Summer from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm and close on Saturdays starting Monday, June 9, 2008 thru Friday, August 8, 2008. **[Library Board Chairman, Betty Daniels]**
3. Discussion and potential action to approve the Bills. **[Finance Director Luis Salinas]**
4. Discussion and potential action to schedule a mid-year Budget Review Workshop.  
**[Finance Director, Luis Salinas]**
5. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to hire Gomez Mendez Saenz, Inc and to negotiate a cost for the Veteran's Memorial Monument. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
6. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to go out for bids for the Shooting Range construction. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
7. Discussion and potential action to approve the Professional Services Proposal for the Community Center Feasibility Study from Kell Munoz. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
8. Discussion and potential action approve the Building Inspector, Clifford Rowell to attend the Texas State Association of Plumbing Inspectors, Inc. Annual Short School & Educational Seminar Sunday, June thru Friday, June 13, 2008 at Kerrville, Texas. **[Building Inspector, Clifford Rowell]**
9. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to prepare preliminary information and estimates for Texas Parks and Wildlife Pump Out Program for a pump out/patrol boat allowing for up to 46 hours of compensation for Harbor Master, John Hancock related to this project. **[Assistant City Manager/EDC Administrator, Jill Francisco]**  
**The Harbor Committee approved this item at their meeting on May 15, 2008.**
10. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to prepare preliminary information and estimates for the Texas Parks and Wildlife State Boating Access Program for repairs to Pompano Street Public Boat Ramp allowing for up to 75 hours of compensation for the Harbor Master, John Hancock related to this project.  
**[Assistant City Manager/EDC Administrator, Jill Francisco]**  
**The Harbor Committee approved this item at their meeting on May 15, 2008.**
11. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to send a written Notice to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to provide funding to dredge the Port Isabel Small Boat Harbor within the next three years. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**  
**The Harbor Committee approved this item at their meeting on May 15, 2008.**
12. Discussion and potential action to approve parking fees for the City's Public Boat Ramp on Pompano Street. **[Harbor Master, John Hancock]**  
**The Harbor Committee approved this item at their meeting on May 15, 2008.**

**IX CLOSED SESSION**

1. Attorney Consultation pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, authorizing a governmental body to consult with its attorney in an executive session to provide advice and legal counsel concerning pending litigation:
  - John Haywood
  - James L. Holder
  - Rick Navarro
  - Lamar Signs
  
2. Real Property pursuant to Section §551.072 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property:
  - Property for the new Community Center – multiple properties
  
3. Personnel Matters pursuant to Section §551.074 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, re-assignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:
  - ❖ City Manager
  - ❖ Assistant City Manager
  - ❖ Finance Director
  - ❖ City Secretary
  - ❖ Building Inspector
  - ❖ Police Chief
  - ❖ EMS Director
  - ❖ Fire Marshal
  - ❖ Museum Director
  - ❖ Liberian Director

**X ADJOURNMENT**

**CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the above notice of a Pubic Hearing & Regular Meeting of the City of Port Isabel is true and correct; and that I posted such notice on the bulletin board. A place convenient and readily accessible to the public on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2008 at 4:00 p.m., in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (Tex. Gov't. Code §551-041 - §551.050).

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Susie Alcocer  
CITY SECRETARY  
CITY OF PORT ISABEL, TEXAS

**CERTIFICATION OF REMOVAL**

I certify that the agenda of items to be considered by the City Commission was removed by the City Secretary's Office from the Port Isabel City Hall bulletin area on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY