



MINUTES

PRESENT:

Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor
Ruben D. Plata, Mayor Pro-Tem
Alberto Vela, Councilman
Eden Ramirez Jr., City Attorney
Anna Carrillo, City Secretary
Juan Pablo Terrazas, Co-Interim City Manager
Andy Garcia, Co-Interim City Manager

ABSENT:

Jessica Ortega, Councilwoman
Marissa Ortega-Gerlach, Councilwoman

SPECIAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

With a quorum being present, Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION ON SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEMS

None

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 2069 authorizing the City of Mission's participation in the Phase 2 National PFAS Public Water System Settlement Program (AFFF MDL No. 2873); authorizing the selection and retention of special legal counsel to evaluate eligibility and assist with claim preparation; authorizing the Co-Interim City Managers to execute all settlement forms, claims documentation, and legal retention agreements; and establishing an effective date. – A. Garcia

The City of Mission, Texas, operates a public drinking water system providing essential utility services to residents and businesses within its jurisdiction

A Nationwide multi-district litigation had been established under Master Docket No. 2:18-MN-2873-RMG in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina regarding chemical contamination stemming from Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF); and

Phase 2 National Settlement Program had been constructed involving major manufacturing defendants, to compensate public water providers for the costs of testing, monitoring, and remediating per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in local water supplies.

The City Council of the City of Mission found it in the best interest of the health, safety, and fiscal well-being of the community to actively participate in said settlement recovery program with appropriate legal representation.

Co-Interim City Managers recommend to enter into negotiations and engage Law Offices of Environmental Litigation Group, P. C., Invictus Legal Group I, PLLC and Perez Law Firm PLLC.

Mayor Pro Tem Ruben Plata moved to approve the engagement of the Law Offices of Environmental Litigation Group, P. C., Invictus Legal Group I, PLLC and Perez Law Firm PLLC and authorize contract negotiations. Motion was seconded by Councilman Alberto Vela and approved unanimously 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:32 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Plata moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Councilman Vela and approved unanimously 3-0.

Norie Gonzalez Garza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Anna Carrillo, City Secretary