

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 6th, 2021
@ 5:30 P.M.
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
HARLINGEN, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas will hold a Regular Meeting on **Wednesday, January 6th, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. via videoconference**, while providing the public the ability to view the meeting via internet live streaming at www.myharlingen.us and the City of Harlingen YouTube Page.

In accordance with the order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City of Harlingen, Texas will conduct the meeting via videoconference and provide viewing for the public using live stream in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing") to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). To view the City Commission meeting live, go to www.myharlingen.us and click on "CITY COMMISSION LIVE."

The public will be permitted to offer citizen communication or participate in items listed as public hearings telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted for City staff to read aloud during the meeting.

To offer citizen communication or participate in scheduled public hearings telephonically, go to www.myharlingen.us and click on "PUBLIC HEARING AND CITIZEN COMMUNICATION FORM." Fill out the form and indicate the item you wish to address, and submit the form.

Please indicate (1) the agenda item on which you wish to speak, (2) whether you prefer to speak on the item during citizen communication or at the time the agenda item is brought for consideration before the City Commission, and (3) a working telephone number at which you may be reached to submit your comments. The City will then call you when the item you wish to address is being considered. You will then address the City Commission through speakerphone, and your call will be made audible to the City Commission and to the public through the live stream. Please submit this request before 4 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

To submit written comments for City staff to read aloud during the meeting, go to www.myharlingen.us and click on "PUBLIC HEARING AND CITIZEN COMMUNICATION FORM" write your comments (limited to 400 words or less) and submit the form.

Please submit written comments before 4 p.m. the day of the meeting.

A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

City of Harlingen meetings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance, please contact the City Secretary's Office at (956) 216-5001 or write Post Office Box 2207, Harlingen, Texas 78550 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

The Harlingen City Commission reserves the right, pursuant to the Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Subchapter D, to enter into closed executive session on any item posted on the agenda if a matter is raised that is appropriate for closed discussion.

Invocation – Commissioner Richard Uribe

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Call Meeting to Order

Citizen Communication/Input

- 1) Recognition to the City of Harlingen, Vital Statistics Department, Recipient of the 2020 Exemplary Five-Star Service Award. (**Health Dept.**)
- 2) Approval of Minutes
 - a) Special Meeting of September 15, 2020
 - b) Special Meeting of December 8, 2020

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- 3a) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance to amend the City of Harlingen's Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Attachment (**Finance**)
- b) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 36 of the Harlingen Code of Ordinances establishing rules for Hugh Ramsey Nature Park and the Thicket. Attachment (**Parks & Recreation**)



- 4) Consideration and possible action to enter into a Child Care Local Match Contributions Agreement with Workforce Solutions Cameron-Local Workforce Development Board. Attachment (**Gabriel Gonzalez, Asst. City Manager**)
- 5) Consideration and possible action to appoint a City representative to serve as a member on the Red Cross Board of Directors. Attachment (**Gabriel Gonzalez, Asst. City Manager**)
- 6) Consideration and possible action regarding the participation of the Mayor and City Commissioners in the 2021 It's Time Texas Community Challenge and sign the Challenge Pledge Form. Attachment (**Parks & Recreation**)
- 7) Consideration and possible action to approve the purchase of a remote service kiosk, canopy, and components from SHI utilizing a buy board contract. Attachment (**Library**)
- 8) Consideration and possible action to approve the placement of a 24-Hour Library Kiosk in the Lon C. Hill Park. Attachment (**Library**)
- 9) Board Appointments

Discussion and possible action regarding membership on any of the following listed board/entity:

- a. Airport Board (2)
- b. Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (4)
- c. Audit Committee (3 - vacancy) (terms expired June, 2019)
- d. Civil Service Commission (2)
- e. Community Development Advisory Board (1)
- f. Construction Board of Adjustments (5)
- g. Convention & Visitors Bureau (1)
- h. Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.
- i. Downtown Improvement District Board (1)
- j. Golf Course Advisory Board
- k. Harlingen Community Improvement Board (1)
- l. Harlingen Housing Authority Board (5)
- m. Harlingen Finance Corporation (4)
- n. Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board (13)
- o. Library Advisory Board (2)
- p. Mayor Wellness Council
- q. Museum Advisory Board (1)
- q. Parks Advisory Board
- r. Planning & Zoning Advisory Board
- s. Senior Citizens Advisory Board
- t. Tax Increment Finance Board (7)
- u. Utility Board of Trustees
- v. Veterans Advisory Board
- w. Zoning Board of Adjustments (2)
- x. Complete Census Committee

Specifically, appointment or discussion and possible action to include appointment bylaws and/or removal of any position subject to appointment or removal by statute, ordinance or bylaws.

10) Executive Closed Session

- a) Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Gov't Code, to seek advice regarding the City's legal duties and obligations in connection with pending litigation styled and numbered, *Ruben R. Pena, Sr., et al., vs. City of Harlingen, Texas*, Civil Action No. 1:20-CV-163, in the United States District Court Southern District of Texas Brownsville Division, and related legal matters.

Adjournment

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of the Regular Meeting of the Harlingen City Commission is a true and correct copy of said notice posted on the bulletin board at City Hall of said City of Harlingen, Texas in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and on the City's Internet Website and said Notice was posted on December 30, 2020, at or before 9:35 a.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 30th day of December, 2020



Mayra Herrera, Asst. City Secretary