

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2021
@ 5:30 PM
118 E. TYLER AVE
HARLINGEN, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas will hold a Special Meeting on **Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.** at City Hall, Town Hall Meeting Room, 118 E. Tyler Avenue, Harlingen, Texas and provide the public the options to either to view the meeting in person or 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 in person and provide viewing options for the public in person and by using live stream in order to advance the public health goal of limiting in-person meetings (also called "social distancing") to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). To view the City Commission meeting via live stream on the internet, 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 or in person, 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.

If you prefer to offer citizen communication or participate in scheduled public hearings in person or 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, if you prefer to address the City Commission telephonically—in which case the City will then call you when the item you wish to address is being considered. You will then address the City Commission through speaker phone and your call will be made audible to the City Commission and to the public through the live stream. If you prefer to speak on the item in person, you may attend the meeting at the address above. 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.

Call Meeting to Order

Citizen Communication/Input

- 1) Proclamation - proclaiming the week of September 17-23, 2021 as "Constitution Week"
- 2) Consent Agenda
 - a) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance for a Special Use Permit ("SUP") to allow an adult business (tattoo studio) in a General Retail ("GR") District located at 1617 E. Harrison Avenue, Suite E, bearing the legal description of Lot 17, Block 7, Hoskins Subdivision and Lots 15 - 16, Block G, East Park Terrace Subdivision. Applicant: Gabriel Vargas. Attachment (**Planning & Zoning**)
 - b) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance to amend the City of Harlingen Code of Ordinances Chapter 111, Article X, Sign Regulations modifying references to political signs and removing all references to on-premise and off-premise signs that are content based and convert to form-based regulation. Applicant: City of Harlingen. Attachment (**Planning & Zoning**)
 - c) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance to amend the City of Harlingen Code of Ordinances Chapter 111, Article XVIII, Section 111-501, Description and Map of the Downtown District Overlay, by updating the boundaries and map of the district to match the boundary of the Downtown Improvement District and Section 111-509 removing regulations regarding off-premise advertisements. Applicant: City of Harlingen. Attachment (**Planning & Zoning**)
 - d) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution amending Resolution No. 2020-37 to add Section 1 (e) to provide for assessment to be collected by the Cameron County Tax Assessor Collector's Office and Section 2 to change the dissolution date of September 30, 2020 (Fiscal Year) to September 30, 2025 (Fiscal Year). Attachment (**Downtown Improvement District**)
- 3) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution adopting the Harlingen Community Improvement Board Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Attachment (**Finance**)
- 4) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on second and final reading adopting the City of Harlingen's Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 by record vote. Attachment (**Finance**)
- 5) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution ratifying the property tax increase reflected in the adopted budget for Fiscal Year 2022. Attachment (**Finance**)
- 6) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on second and final reading adopting the Tax Year 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations (M&O) together with the Interest and Sinking (I&S) Rate for Fiscal Year 2022 by record vote. Attachment (**Finance**)
- 7) Consideration and possible action to adopt the FY 2021-2022 Budget for the Harlingen Convention Center. Attachment (**Gabriel Gonzalez, Asst. City Manager**)

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- 8) Consideration and possible action to approve an addendum to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Harlingen and Cameron County for Tax Assessment and Collection. Attachment **(Carlos A. Sanchez, Asst. City Manager)**
- 9) Consideration and possible action to authorize staff to contract JF Petroleum Group for the purchase, and installation to replace (2) above ground fuel storage tanks located at 404 S. 54th St. utilizing BuyBoard Contract #590-19. Attachment **(Finance)**
- 10) Consideration and possible action to allow the City Manager to approve a vendor to replace and update the Police Department's security and access control system. Attachment **(Police Dept.)**

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of the Special 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 Friday, September 17th, 2021 at or before 5:00 p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated the 17th day of September, 2021



Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary