

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2021
@ 5:30 PM
CITY HALL, TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM
2ND FLOOR, 118 E. TYLER AVENUE
HARLINGEN, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas will hold a Regular Meeting on **Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 5:30 P.M.** at City Hall, Town Hall Meeting Room, 118 E. Tyler Avenue, Harlingen, Texas and provide 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 speaker phone 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 Frank Morales

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Call Meeting to Order

Citizen Communication/Input

- 1) Approval of Minutes
 - a) Joint Special Meeting City Commission and Harlingen Development Corporation Inc. of March 30, 2021
 - b) Special City Commission Meeting of June 9, 2021
 - c) Regular City Commission Meeting of August 18, 2021
- 2) **Consent Agenda**
 - a) Consideration and possible action to authorize City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen Police Department, to submit a grant application to the Office of the Governor - Homeland Security Grants Division for funding overtime costs and operating expenses to the City of Harlingen, Texas, for providing additional manpower to enhance and improve border security under the FY 2022 Operation Lonestar Grant Program. Attachment (**Police**)
 - b) Consideration and possible action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Harlingen Police Department and Rio Hondo Police Department for the donation of two (2) police patrol bicycles to be used solely for official police purposes for the amount of \$50.00 each. Attachment (**Police**)
 - c) Consideration and possible action to approve the Fire Services Agreement with Cameron County Emergency Services District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. Attachment (**Fire**)
 - d) Consideration and possible action to approve a lease agreement extension between the City of Harlingen and the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Valley Metro for the use of the property and structure located at 201 North T Street, Harlingen, Texas; and authorize the City Manager to execute the extension agreement. Attachment (**Mobility & Special Projects**)

	NEW BUSINESS	
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- 3) Presentation by Rolando L. Rios on the 2020 Redistricting Plan for the City of Harlingen.
- 4) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution to adopt the realigned single member district boundaries for the City of Harlingen based on the 2020 U.S. Census. Attachment (**City Manager**)
- 5) Public hearing to consider an ordinance on first reading to rezone from General Retail (GR) District to Planned Development ("PD") District for Single Family and Mult-Family uses for 66.902 acres out of Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,and 8, Block 146, San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, located on the northwest corner of Haine Rd & FM 509. Applicant: Melden and Hunt Inc. Attachment (**Planning & Zoning**)
 - a) Public Hearing

- b) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading to rezone from General Retail (GR) District to Planned Development ("PD") District for Single Family and Mult-Family uses for 66.902 acres out of Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,and 8, Block 146, San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, located on the northwest corner of Haine Rd & FM 509.
- 6) Consideration and possible action to accept bids and award the contract for the CDBG Filmore Avenue Street Improvement Project Bid No. 2022-02 to the lowest responsible bidder and to waive any informalities. Attachment (**Community Development**)
- 7) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to enter into an Inter-local Agreement with the City of Brownsville for use of their landfill for the disposal of all solid waste. Attachment (**Public Works**)
- 8) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution terminating the City's 401(a) Plan, creating a 457 Plan administered by TCG and terminating the 457 Plan administered by AIG/VALIC. Attachment (**City Manager**)
- 9) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading amending Harlingen City Code, Chapter 6, Article II, Division 2, Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, Section 6-56, Composition, Qualifications, appointments, filling vacancies and to replace it with the new section. Attachment (**City Manager**)
- 10) Consideration and possible action to approve the installation of street bumps on the following streets: Vista Verda Circle East and Vista Verde Circle West from Vista Verde Circle North to Murphy Drive. **Item requested by (Commissioner Perez and Mayor Pro-Tem Uribe)**
- 11) Consideration and possible action regarding first reading of City of Harlingen ordinance amending Harlingen City Code, Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, Division 3, Qualifications, Section 2.92 to remove residence requirements for position. **Item requested by (Mayor Pro-Tem Uribe and Commissioner Puente)**
- 12) Board Appointments
Discussion and possible action regarding membership on any of the following listed board/entity:
 - Airport Board
 - Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (5)
 - Audit Committee (4-vacancy) (terms expired June, 2019)
 - Civil Service Commission
 - Community Development Advisory Board (3)
 - Construction Board of Adjustments (7)
 - Convention & Visitors Bureau (1)
 - Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.
 - Downtown Improvement District Board (7)
 - Golf Course Advisory Board (1)
 - Harlingen Community Improvement Board (5)
 - Harlingen Housing Authority Board (3)
 - Harlingen Finance Corporation (5)
 - Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board (13)
 - Library Advisory Board
 - Mayor Wellness Council
 - Museum Advisory Board (3)
 - Parks Advisory Board (1)
 - Planning & Zoning Advisory Board
 - Senior Citizens Advisory Board (4)
 - Tax Increment Finance Board (5)
 - Utility Board of Trustees

Veterans Advisory Board
Zoning Board of Adjustments (4)
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.

13) **Executive/Closed Session regarding the following items:**

- a) Deliberation pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.087 (1) regarding commercial or financial information that the government body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have located, stay or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body, and 551.087 (2) to deliberate an offer of financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Section (1). **(City Manager)**
- b) Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 to receive privileged attorney client communication on confidential matter. **(Legal)**
- c) Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 to receive privileged attorney client communication on confidential matters of a pending litigation. **(Legal)**

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION

- 14) Consideration and possible action to approve Item 12 (b) as discussed in the executive session. **(City Manager)**

Adjourn

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 Friday, December 10th, 2021 at or before 3:15 p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 10th day of December, 2021



Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary