

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 18, 2022
@ 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, May 18, 2022 at 5:30 PM** 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.

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 Rene Perez

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Call Meeting to Order

- 1) Appointment of a Canvass Committee to canvass the City of Harlingen May 7, General Election for the positions of Mayor, Commissioner District 1 and Commissioner District 2 and Special Election Results for Charter Amendments A, B, and C. **(Remi Garza, Elections Administrator)**
- 2) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution declaring the results of the City of Harlingen May 7, 2022 General Election for the Position of Mayor, City Commissioner, District 1 and City Commissioner, District 2. **(Remi Garza, Elections Administrator)**
- 3) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution declaring the results of the City of Harlingen May 7, 2022, Special Election, Charter Amendments, A, B, and C Results. **(Remi Garza, Elections Administrator)**
- 4) Swearing-In and Oath of Office to a newly elected Mayor Norma Sepulveda,
- 5) Presentation of Appreciation Plaque to Outgoing Mayor, Chris Boswell.
- 6) Consideration and possible action to appoint a Mayor Pro-Tem pursuant to the Harlingen City Charter, Article IV, Section 6, by a majority vote of the City Commission. **(Mayor)**
- 7) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution calling and ordering the June 14, 2022 City of Harlingen Special Runoff Election to elect two (2) Commissioners to the elective governing body; one (1) Commissioner for each of the respective Single Member Districts 1 and 2 and other related election matters. Attachment **(City Secretary)**

Citizen Communication/Input

- 8) Proclamation
 - a) "National Public Works Week" - May 15-20, 2022
 - b) National Police Week 2022
- 9) Approval of Minutes
 - a) Regular City Commission Meeting of April 20, 2022
- 10) Consent Agenda
 - a) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen, to accept FY 23 STEP COMP Grant Funding in the amount of \$36,000.00 made available through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Comprehensive Program, TXDOT Funds: \$36,000.00 Matching Funds: \$9,022.13. Total Funds for 2022-2023 Grant: \$45,022.13. Attachment **(Police)**
 - b) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen, to accept FY23 STEP CMV Grant Funding in the amount of \$12,000 made available through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) CMV Program, TXDOT Funds \$12,000 Matching funds \$3,037.90. Total Funds for 2021-2022 Grant \$15,037.90. Attachment **(Police)**
 - c) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of

Harlingen, to accept 2022 Operation Slowdown Funding in the amount of \$16,000.00 made available through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) Funds: \$16,000.00 Matching Funds: \$4,005.06 Total Funds: \$20,005.06. Attachment (**Police**)

- d) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen, to accept STEP Click It or Ticket (CIOT) Grant Funding in the amount of \$16,000.00 made available through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) FY- 22 Click It or Ticket Program (CIOT), TXDOT Funds \$16,000.00 Matching Funds \$4,005.06 Total Funds for 2022 Grant \$20,005.06. Attachment (**Police**)
- e) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen, to authorize the Harlingen Police Department to submit a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice - Office of Community Oriented Policing Services – FY-22 COPS Hiring Program.Attachment (**Police**)
- f) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen Police Department, to enter into a State Plan of Operations (SPO) between the State of Texas and the City of Harlingen (Police Department) which will be binding on the parties with respect to excess Department of Defense (DOD) personal property transferred, pursuant to 10 USC §2576a to promote the efficient and expeditious transfer of property to ensure accountability of the same. Attachment (**Police Dept.**)
- g) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Texas Community Watershed Partners (TCWP) as a program of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to assist the City in revising City Ordinance Section 105, Flood Damage Prevention. Attachment (**Assistant City Manager -Craig Cook**)
- h) Second and final reading to approve an ordinance for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow a battery storage energy facility in a General Retail (“GR”) District located at a property along the east side of Tucker Road, approximately 500 feet south of Lincoln Avenue, bearing a legal description of 1 acres being a part of Block 1, Howard Dixieland Heights Subdivision. Applicant: SMT Harlingen LLC c/o Francisco G. Gonzalez. Attachment (**Planning & Development**)
- i) Consideration and possible action to approve an Inter-local Agreement between the City of Harlingen and the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District for the use of two school buses during the Parks and Recreation’s 2022 Summer Recreation Program and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement. Attachment (**Parks and Recreation**)

NEW BUSINESS

- 11) Consideration and possible action to approve request from Cameron County Election Department to use the Cultural Art Center, Liberty Hall located on 576 “76” Drive, Harlingen, Texas as a voting site for the Democratic and Republican Primary Runoff Election from Monday, May 16th through Friday, May 20th and the City of Harlingen Special Runoff Election for Early voting beginning Thursday, May 31st through Friday, June 10th, 2022 Attachment (**Parks and Recreation**)
- 12) Consideration and possible action to appoint Frank Morales, City Commissioner to the Amigos Del Valle Board of Directors to replace Commissioner Rene Perez. (**City Manager**)
- 13) Board Appointments
Discussion and possible action regarding membership on any of the following listed board/entity:

Airport
Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (2)
Audit Committee (4-Vacancies) (Terms expired June, 2021)
Civil Service Commission
Community Development Advisory Board (1)
Construction Board of Adjustments (7)
Convention & Visitors Bureau (1)
Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.
Downtown Improvement Board (7)
Golf Course Advisory Board (1)
Harlingen Community Improvement Board (4)
Harlingen Housing Authority Board (3)
Harlingen Finance Corporation (5)
Harlingen Teen and Young Adult Advisory Board
Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board (13)
Library Advisory Board
Mayor Wellness Council
Museum Advisory Board (2)
Parks Advisory Board
Planning & Zoning Advisory (1)
Senior Citizens Advisory Board (4)
Tax Increment Finance Board (4)
Utility Board of Trustees
Veterans Advisory Board
Zoning Board of Adjustment (4)

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, MAY 13TH, 2022 at 12:32 p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 13Th day of May, 2022



For: Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary