

**CITY COMMISSION  
AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 19, 2025  
@ 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, NOVEMBER 19, 2025 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.harlingentx.gov](http://www.harlingentx.gov) and the City of Harlingen YouTube Page.

The public will be permitted to offer citizen communication or participate in items listed as public hearings as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

**To offer citizen communication or participate in scheduled public hearings, go to [www.harlingentx.gov](http://www.harlingentx.gov) 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.

**To submit written comments requesting an item for City Secretary, go to [www.harlingentx.gov](http://www.harlingentx.gov) 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 3:00 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.**

- 1) **Call Meeting to Order:**
  - a) Invocation - Commissioner Delia Cavazos-Gamez
  - b) Pledge of Allegiance
  - c) Welcome Citizens
- 2) **Conflict of Interest:**

"Under State Law, a conflict of interest exists if a commission member, or certain members of that person's family, has a qualifying financial interest in an agenda item. Members with a conflict of interest cannot participate in the discussion nor vote on the agenda item. Are there any known conflicts of interest to disclose at the time?" **(City Attorney)**.
- 3) **Announcements:** *With respect to items not listed elsewhere on this agenda, the City Commission may report on items of community interest, including announcing community events, announcing employee or community recognitions.*
  - a) Mayor's Announcements
  - b) City Manager's Announcements
  - c) City Commission Member Announcements
- 4) **Proclamation/Presentation of Awards:**
  - a) Harlingen Animal Shelter - "Pet of the Week"
  - b) Presentation of Recognition — Harlingen High School South "Hawks" Boys Tennis Team
  - c) Presentation of Recognition — Harlingen High School South "Hawks" Girls Tennis Team
  - d) Presentation of Recognition — "Sir's Martini Lounge"
  - e) Presentation of Proclamation — Coach Josue Cano
  - f) Presentation of Proclamation — "Children's Bereavement Center-Rio Grande Valley"
  - g) Mayor's Business of the Month — Panchito's
- 5) **Citizen Communication:** *At this time, the public is invited to address the City Commission and speak on any matter not specifically listed for public hearing elsewhere in this agenda. Please note that the City Commission members may not respond to comments or deliberate on topics addressed.*
- 6) **Approval of Minutes:**
  - a) Regular Meeting of August 6, 2025
- 7) **Consent Agenda:** *No discussion is anticipated on any of the items in this section because they are routine business, were included in the budget adoption process, or have been previously discussed as a staff report or discussion item. These items will be considered collectively by a single vote, unless a commission member requests an item be removed from the consent agenda.*
  - a) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the Special Projects Director to accept a grant award from the Office of the Governor for the Victims of Crime Act Formula Grant Program in the amount of \$45,884. Attachment. Attachment **(Special Projects)**
  - b) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the Interim City Manager to accept a grant award in the amount of \$40,000 from the Texas Historical Commission Texas Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program. Attachment **(Special Projects)**
  - c) Consideration and possible action to approve the testing and potential installation of speed humps at the following locations: **(This item was requested by commissioner Rene Perez)**

1. Lozano Ave. and N. "D" Street
2. Ona Ave. and N. "E" Street
3. Ballard St.
4. Hughes Rd. between Tamm Lane and Bass Blvd.
5. S. Parkwood between Ebonay Dr. and East Cenizo Dr.
6. Poza Rica Ave. between Marco Ave. and Bea Ave.

- 8) **Staff Reports and Other Discussion Items:** *Items in this section are not expected to require action by the City Commission and are generally for information only. However, any item listed in this section may become an action item at a future meeting with the request of the Mayor, or after the request of any two Commission members, or the City Manager.*

- a) City Manager's Report
- b) Staff Reports – Presentation by the Harlingen Fire Department.

- 9) **Public Hearings:** *At this time, the Mayor will invite members of the public who have filled out the Public Hearing and the Citizen Communication Form to address each item listed in this section. Please limit your comments to the topic of that public hearing. If more than one public hearing is being held, you will be allowed to speak during each topic, provided you have filled out the Public Hearing and Citizen Communication Form for the appropriate topic. If you are signed up for two (2) or more Public Hearings, you will be limited to 5 minutes for all topics.*

- 10) **Action Items:** *City Commission will discuss, consider, and take any action deemed necessary on items listed in this section, including the adoption of a resolution or an ordinance.*

- a) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution establishing the 39th Annual Lighting of the Arroyo to be held on December 4, 2025, at McKelvey Park and to request from TxDot a temporary partial road closure of Business 77 Sunshine Strip for the safety of the public during the event from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and authorize the Interim City Manager to sign the agreement. Attachment (**Parks & Recreation**)
- b) Consideration and possible action to approve a budget of \$240,000 for drainage improvement projects previously approved under the MOU agreements with the Cameron County Drainage Districts and Irrigation Districts. Attachment (**Engineering**)

- 11) **Board Appointments:** *Specifically, appointment or discussion and possible action to include appointment and/or removal of any position subject to appointment or removal by statute, ordinance, or bylaws.*

Airport

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (1)

Audit Committee (Terms expire in June)

Civil Service Commission

Community Development Advisory Board

Construction Board of Adjustments (4)

Convention & Visitors Bureau

Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.

Golf Course Advisory Board

Harlingen Community Improvement Board

Harlingen Housing Authority Board

Harlingen Finance Corporation (6)

Harlingen Teen and Young Adult Advisory Board (1)

Healthy Harlingen Advisory Board

Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board

Library Advisory Board

Mayor Wellness Council

Museum Advisory Board

Parks Advisory Board  
Planning & Zoning Advisory Board  
Senior Citizens Advisory Board (1)  
Tax Increment Finance Board 1, 2 & 3  
Utility Board of Trustees  
Veterans Advisory Board  
Zoning Board of Adjustment

- 12) **Executive Session:** *All items listed in this section will be deliberated in a closed session. Members of the public are not generally permitted to attend a closed session. Executive Session items may be considered as an action item at the discretion of the Mayor. However, City Commission will not take any action in closed session.*
- a) Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 – attorney consultation and contemplated litigation; Section 551.072 – deliberation regarding real estate; and Section 551.087 — economic development relating to the following projects: **(HEDC)**
- 1) Project Tyler
  - 2) Project Beach
  - 3) Project Skyline
  - 4) Project Smoke Signals
  - 5) Project Roosevelt
  - 6) Project Organic
  - 7) Project Its Thyme
  - 8) Project Back to the Future
  - 9) Project Eye
  - 10) Project Prada
  - 11) Project Fantasy
- b) Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (2) to receive attorney-client consultation protected by the attorney-client communication privilege. **(City Attorney)**
- 13) **Action on Executive Session Items:** *The City Commission will reconvene in open session and may take action on any item listed in the Executive Session Section of this agenda.*
- a) Consideration and possible action on Item 12a (1–11), as discussed in executive session.

14) **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 **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025**, at or before 3:45 a.m./p.m. and remained so posted for at least 3 business days preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this **13th** day of **NOVEMBER, 2025**

  
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Mayra Herrera, City Secretary