

**CITY COMMISSION  
AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 4, 2026  
@ 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, MARCH 4, 2026, 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 submit 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 SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS BEFORE 3:00 PM 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 - Mayor Norma Sepulveda
  - 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 Proclamation - 35th Annual Henry Roberts Memorial - Jalapeno 100
- 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 November 19, 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 submit a grant application to the office of the governor under the State Homeland Security Program – LETPA Projects (SHSP-L) Federal Fiscal Year 2026. Attachment **(Special Projects Department)**
  - b) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the Special Projects Director to submit a grant application to the Office of the Governor under the State Homeland Security Grant Program - Regular Projects (SHSP-R) Federal Fiscal Year 2026 for the Harlingen Police Department. Attachment **(Special Projects Department)**
  - c) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the Institute of Museum and Library Services Inspire Grants for Small Museums Program. Attachment **(Special Projects Department)**
  - d) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the 2026 Fire Authority Digital Equipment Grant Program. Attachment **(Special Projects Department)**
  - e) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the Special Projects

Director to submit a grant application to the Office of the Governor under the State Homeland Security Grant Program - Regular Projects (SHSP-R) Federal Fiscal Year 2026 for the Harlingen Fire Department. Attachment (**Special Projects Department**)

- f) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on second and final reading amending the City of Harlingen's budget for Fiscal Year 2026. Attachment (**Finance**)
  - g) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution for the acceptance of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) anticipated Grant offer No. 3-48-011-084-2026 in the approximate amount of \$3,010,748.00 for the upgrade Airfield Electrical project at Valley International Airport. Attachment (**Airport**)
  - h) Consideration and possible action to approve the testing and potential installation of speed humps in the following location(s): (**This item was requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez and Commissioner Rene Perez**)
- 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:
- 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.*

#### **Ordinances**

- a) Consideration and possible action to approve an Ordinance on First Reading to abandon and vacate an existing 20-foot utility easement located within Midway Subdivision, being a 0.30 acre out of Lots 1-9, Block 4, Midway Subdivision, located at 3744 N. Expressway 77. Applicant: Emiliano Rosel of Moore Land Surveying, LLC, c/o Harlingen Oak LLC Attachment (**Planning and Development**)
  - b) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading to create an advisory committee to advise the City Commission regarding the needs of the Blind and Visually Impaired. (**Mayor**)
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- c) Consideration and possible action to approve a Participation Agreement with the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company to authorize the City of Harlingen's participation in TexPool Prime. Attachment (**Finance**)
  - d) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution adopting the Harlingen Community Improvement Board's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget. Attachment (**Finance**)
  - e) Discussion and possible action to participate in the Blue Zones with the Valley Baptist Legacy Foundation. Attachment (**City Manager**)
  - f) Discussion and possible action regarding the City's and/or City Manager's practice, police,

procedures governing city elected officials' attendance to local City events and/or out of town trips and/or conferences paid by either the city and/or the EDC. ***(This item was requested by Commissioner Delia Cavazos-Gamez and Commissioner Frank Morales)***

- 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 (CDBG)  
Construction Board of Adjustments (4)  
Convention & Visitors Bureau  
Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.(HEDC)  
Golf Course Advisory Board(1)  
Harlingen Community Improvement Board (4B)  
Harlingen Housing Authority Board  
Harlingen Finance Corporation  
Harlingen Teen and Young Adult Advisory Board (1)  
Healthy Harlingen Advisory Board  
Historic Preservation Council (2)  
Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board  
Library Advisory Board (1)  
Mayor Wellness Council  
Museum Advisory Board (1)  
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 (2)
- 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 Texas 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.
1. Project Roosevelt
  2. Project Organic
- b) Consultation with the City Attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 to receive a confidential briefing protected by the attorney - client communications privilege regarding city legal obligations and responsibilities. ***(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 (1-2) 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 **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026**, at or before 4:30 a.m./p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 25th day of **FEBRUARY, 2026**



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Mayra Herrera, City Secretary