

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 6, 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, MAY 6, 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 and the City of Harlingen YouTube Page.

To submit written comments regarding an item for City Secretary, go to 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 - Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez
 - 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) Certificate of Recognition - Harlingen High School Cardinal's Band
 - c) Certificate of Recognition - Morgana Elizabeth Rodriguez-Marin and Uther K. Rodriguez-Marin
 - d) Presentation of Proclamation - Junior League of Harlingen "KidFit Festival"
- 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 January 7, 2026
- 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 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*) .
 1. 621 E. Filmore Ave
 2. 7th Street
 - b) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on second and final reading amending the Harlingen Teen and Young Adult Advisory Board. Attachment (*Mayor*).
 - c) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant award of \$50,000 from the Watershed Protection Plan Implementation Grant Program. Attachment (*Special Projects*).
 - d) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the City Manager to

apply for a Texas Parks and Wildlife Local Parks grant. Attachment (*Special Projects*).

- e) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on second and final reading amending the Harlingen Code of Ordinances Chapter 18 Master Fee Schedule to include free or reduced fee adoption events in conjunction with national organizations as opportunities become available. Attachment (*Health*).
 - f) Consideration and possible action to approve the Investment Report for the City of Harlingen for the quarter ending March 31, 2026. Attachment (*Finance*).
 - g) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution accepting the Valley International Airport's mid-year budget amendment for FY 2026. Attachment (*Airport*).
 - h) Consideration and possible action to accept the BuyBoard quote from Azteca Construction to remove and replace the Library's carpet/LVT. Attachment (*Library*).
 - i) Consideration and possible action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Harlingen and Texas State Technical College(TSTC) for the continued use, enhancement, and minor relocation of the Harlingen Arts & Heritage Museum signage located on TSTC property, as approved by the City Attorney. Attachment (*Public Works*).
 - j) Consideration and possible action to approve the MOU renewal between the City of Harlingen, Combes and Primera Police Departments and the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District for year 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 and authorizing the City Manager to sign the agreement. Attachment (*Police Dept.*)
- 8) **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 Staff 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.
- a) Public hearing for the voluntary annexation and establishment of initial zoning of Light Industry ("LI") District upon annexation for approximately 7.401 acres, more or less, out of Lot 5, Block 2, Harlingen Industrial Park No. 2 Subdivision, located at 109 FM 509, Cameron County, Texas, together with any adjacent county road right-of-way required to be annexed by Texas Local Government Code Section 43.106. Applicant: JMP Holdings, LLC. Attachment (*Planning & Development*).
 - b) Public hearing for the voluntary annexation and establishment of initial zoning of Residential, Single Family ("R-1") District upon annexation for a 1.15 acre tract of land out of Block 47, Lon C. Hill Subdivision, located on the south side of Morris Road approximately 2,630 feet east of Rangeville Road, together with a 0.16 acre tract out of Morris Road (a 60-foot right-of-way) out of Block 47, Lon C. Hill Subdivision. Applicant: Roberto Lopez. Attachment (*Planning & Development*).
- 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:

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- c) Consideration and possible action to authorize the filling of an application for financial assistance with the Texas Water Development Board for funding the construction of priority wastewater capital improvement projects. Attachment (*HWWS*).
- d) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to award a construction contract for Bid No. 2026-08 Lozano Plaza. Attachment (*Engineering*).
- e) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to award RFQ No. 2026-01 for Professional Engineering Services for the Design and Environmental Permitting of the Arroyo Colorado Hike and Bike Trail Extension Project – Dixieland Reservoir. Attachment (*Engineering*).
- f) Consideration and possible action to authorize staff to commence the implementation of the HARTS Initiative in 2027. (*This item was requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez and Commissioner Rene Perez.*)
- g) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to waive the Building Permit Fee for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post (VFW) located at 2006 N. Whalen Rd. Attachment (*City Manager*).
- h) Consideration and possible action to approve the initiation of Collective Bargaining Negotiations between the City of Harlingen and the Harlingen Police Officers Law Enforcement Association (HPLOEA) and approve the Collective Bargaining Team representing the City. (*City Manager*)

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
Harlingen Community Improvement Board(4B)
Harlingen Housing Authority Board
Harlingen Finance Corporation (6)

Harlingen Teen and Young Adult Advisory Board (1)
Healthy Harlingen Advisory Board
Historic Preservation Committee
Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board (1)
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

- 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) Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (1)(a) regarding pending litigation. **(City Attorney).**
 - b) Pursuant to Texas Govt. Code Section 551.071 to receive legal advice on legal issues pertaining to the Harlingen Stadium. **(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 to approve time 12 (c) 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 public at all times and on the City's Internet Website and said Notice was posted on **THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026**, at or before 3:00 a.m./p.m. and remained so posted for at least three (3) business days preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 30th day of APRIL 2026



Mayra Herrera, City Secretary