

**CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 1, 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, JULY 01, 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 requesting an item for City Secretary, 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 12:00 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 Rene Perez
 - 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 or Proclamation - Parks & Recreation Month
 - c) Certificate of Recognition — South Texas Little League "District 24 Champions"
- 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 April 01, 2026
 - b) Regular Meeting of April 15, 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) Discussion and approval of second extension to the 2023 - 2025 Interlocal Agreement between the Harlingen Consolidated Independent School District (HCISD) and the City of Harlingen for the School Resource Officer Program for school year 2026 - 2027. Attachment (**Police**)
 - b) Consider approval of the purchase of a replacement tractor and shredder for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$69,773.72, utilizing available funds originally budgeted for the TxDOT maintenance agreement. The equipment will replace Unit #506, a 2016 John Deere tractor and shredder that is currently out of service, and will support the ongoing maintenance of TxDOT roadway interchanges being performed by Public Works personnel under the maintenance agreement. (**Public Works**)
 - c) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Office of the Governor for the Fiscal Year 2025 Operation Stonegarden Grant Program. Attachment (**Special Projects Department**)

- d) Consideration and possible action authorizing the City Manager to accept a grant award in the amount of \$100,000 from the Texas General Land Office Local Hazard Mitigation Plans Program. Attachment (**Special Projects Department**)
- e) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Attachment (**Special Projects Department**)
- f) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation – Selective Traffic Enforcement Program – FY 26 Operation Slowdown Grant Program. Attachment (**Special Projects Department**)
- g) Consideration and possible action to approve an Ordinance on Second and Final Reading to consider a request for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow an adult business (microblading studio) in a General Retail (“GR”) District, located at 310 S. Eye Street, bearing a legal description of Lots 6 and 7, Block 1, Benoist Subdivision. Applicant: Daisy Nieto Attachment. (**Planning and Development**)
- h) Consideration and possible action to approve the testing and potential installation of speed humps at the following location.(s) (**This item was requested by Commissioner Delia Cavazos-Gamez and Commissioner Frank Morales**)

1. 200 Block of E. Davis

- 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 on an ordinance on first reading for the release from the City of Harlingen Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) consisting of 8.30 acres out of the North 9.685 acres out of the South 19.37 acres out of Block 75, Minnesota Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision, located approximately 800 feet south of Tio Cano Lake Cross Rd. between Louisiana Road and FM 506. Applicant: Abby Jo Lopez. Attachment. (**Planning & Development**)
- b) Public hearing to receive public input on its proposed 2026-2030 Five-Year Consolidated Plan, 2026-2027 One Year Annual Action Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments for Fair Housing. Attachment (**CDBG**)

- 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 for the release from the City of Harlingen Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) consisting of 8.30 acres out of the North 9.685 acres out of the South 19.37 acres out of Block 75, Minnesota Texas Land and

Irrigation Company Subdivision, located approximately 800 feet south of Tio Cano Lake Cross Rd. between Louisiana Road and FM 506. Applicant: Abby Jo Lopez. Attachment. ***(Planning & Development)*** ***(This item was tabled on the Regular CC MTG of January 7, 2026)***

- b) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on seconded and final reading for a rezoning request from Neighborhood Services ("NS") District to Residential, Patio Home ("RPH") District for Lot C-1, Block 1, Dixieland Crossing Subdivision, located on the south side of Garrett Road, approximately 795.17 feet west of Dixieland Road. Applicant: Moore Land Surveying, LLC c/o CJE Construction. Attachment ***(Planning & Development)***
- c) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading amending the City of Harlingen's budget for Fiscal Year 2026. Attachment ***(Finance)***



- d) Consideration and possible action to approve the One-Year Action Plan (Budget) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (Year 52) of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Home Investment Partnership (HOME) Programs as recommended by the Community Development Advisory Board. Attachment ***(CDBG)***
- e) Consideration and possible action to approve a budget of \$14,000 for the Dixieland Park Parking Lot Improvements Project. Attachment ***(Engineering)***
- f) Consideration and possible action to authorize the Harlingen Economic Development Corporation (HEDC) to provide \$35,000 in funding to the City of Harlingen for expenses related to the 2026 All-America City Award Conference. Attachment ***(HEDC)***
- g) Consideration and possible action to approve the City's revised event venue rental agreement with the updated guidelines. Attachment ***(Dr. Josh Ramirez, Asst. City Manager)***
- h) Consideration and possible action to authorize and fund the fabrication and installation of the new Gloria G. Canales Auditorium signage. Attachment ***(City Manager)***
- i) Consideration and possible action to approve a Resolution adopting a City Commission Decorum Policy establishing standards of conduct for public participation and procedures for maintaining order during City Commission meetings. Attachment ***(City Manager)***
- j) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution nominating a new candidate for the Cameron Appraisal District Board of Directors to fill a vacancy. Attachment ***(City Manager)***
- k) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution of the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas declaring the City's intent to pursue designation as a Darksky Community and pursuant to Texas Government Code 3000.002(c)(3)(B). ***(This item was requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez and Commissioner Michael Mezmar)***
- l) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to begin the process of updating the employee compensation study. ***(This item was requested by Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez and Commissioner Frank Morales)***
- m) Consideration and possible action to name the new Stuart Place Pocket Park after Sgt. Arturo "Treto" Garza. ***(This item was requested by Commissioner Rene Perez and Mayor Pro-Tem Daniel N. Lopez)***

11)

Board Appointments:

Appointment, discussion and possible action of any board 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 (2)
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
The Blind and Visually Impaired Advisory Committee (7)
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:

1. Project Truck (Logistics)
2. Project Bean (Transportation)
3. Project Organic (Mixed use development)

b) Deliberation regarding the potential purchase of real property pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072. **(City Manager)**

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 (1-3) as discussed in executive session.

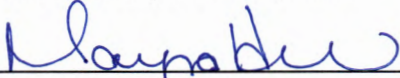
b) Consideration and possible action regarding the potential purchase of real property as discussed in the executive session.

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, JUNE 25, 2026**, at or before 9:00 a.m./p.m. and remained so posted for at least three(3) business days preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 25th day of JUNE, 2026



Mayra Herrera, City Secretary