

REGULAR
CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
December 18, 2013
@ 5:30 P.M.
TOWN HALL, CITY HALL
118 E. Tyler Street
Harlingen, Texas

Notice is hereby given that the above governmental body will hold a Regular Meeting on **Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at 5:30 P.M.** in City Hall, Town Hall, 2nd Floor, Harlingen, Texas.

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.

Invocation/Commissioner Tudor Uhlhorn

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

- 1) Public Announcement of Events
 - a) Presentation to the family of the Late Mayor Richard Rodriguez of a Texas Flag flown over Harlingen City Hall.
 - b) Presentation of acknowledgement to the Texas National Guard for their participation in Operation Crackdown.
- 2) Approval of Minutes
 - a) December 4, 2013 – Regular Meeting

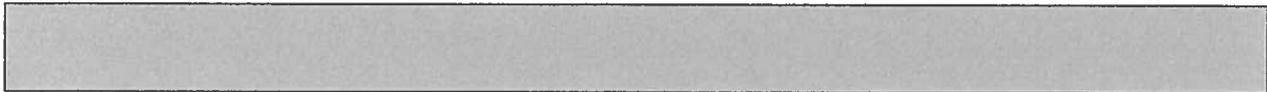
	CONSENT AGENDA	
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The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The Council has been furnished with background material on each item and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote, without being discussed separately, unless requested by a Commission member. Items withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration in their normal sequence will be heard after the remainder of the Consent Agenda has been acted upon.

- 3a) Consider and take action to approve a refund of property taxes to Corelogic (Hector J. Hadock Perez), Account No. 88-1923-0050-0280-00 in the amount of

\$705.57 due to homestead and 100% disability exemptions added for Year 2012.
Attachment (**Finance Department**)

- b) Consider and take action to approve a request from Ms. Maria Cardenas to close "H" Street between W. Arthur Street and Garfield Avenue on Tuesday, December 31, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to Wednesday, January 1, 2014 at 2:00 a.m. for a family reunion. Attachment (**Police Department**)
- c) Consider and take action to approve a request from Cheryl LaBerge, Downtown Manager to close "A" Street between Monroe Avenue and the alley for the upcoming Harlingen Farmers Market Events every Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for Year 2014. Attachment (**Downtown District**)



- 4) Consider and take action to approve an amendment to the Ordinance (Chapter 51) to establish a maximum annual increase of rate for the use of the Reclaimed Water (effluent). Attachment (**Harlingen Waterworks System**)
- 5) Discussion regarding the bid(s) received on the following properties removed from Cameron County and other taxing jurisdictions due to a tax resale conducted on November 5, 2013. Attachments (**City Manager**)
 - a) Legal Description: Tract 2: Lot 9, Wallace Subdivision, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 13, Page 7, Map Records of Cameron County, Texas. (Acct. No. 25-2530-0000-0090-00);
 - b) Legal Description: Lot 12, Block 2, Barton Addition, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 5, Page 59, Map Records of Cameron County, Texas; (Acct. No. 15-5320-0020-0120-00)
 - c) Legal Description: A portion of Lot 8, R. A. Pittman Subdivision, an addition to Cameron County, Texas, as described in Volume 1374, Page 486, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas (Acct. No. 22-4370-0080-0010-00);
 - d) Legal Description: Tract 1: Lot 4, Block 26, Harrison Manor No. 2 Addition, City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, according to the Map or Plat thereof, recorded in Volume 6, Page 75, Map Records of Cameron County, Texas. (Acct. No. 18-4300-0260-0040-00);
 - e) Legal Description: Lot 68, Homeland Addition, Cameron County, Texas, as described in Volume 1222, Page 191 Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas. (Acct. No. 18-8020-0000-0680-00);

- f) Legal Description: Lots 16 and 17, Block 3, Harlingen Addition, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, as described in Volume 583, Page 483, deed records of Cameron County, Texas (Acct. No. 25-3580-0030-0160-00);
 - g) Legal Description: 0.606 acre, more or less, situated in Block 6, Harlingen Land and Water Co. Subdivision "C" Cameron County, Texas, as described in deed dated June 7, 1988, from E.G. Hall, Substitute Trustee to Albert K. Polis, in Volume 468, Page 181, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas (Acct. No. 22-4100-0060-0400-00)
 - h) Legal Description: Lot 10, Block 31, Original Townsite, City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, as described in Volume 929, Page 858, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas (Acct. #15-0000-0310-0100-00).
- 6) Consider and take action to adopt the resolutions approving the bid(s) received on the tax resale conducted on November 5th, 2013 for the above mentioned properties. Attachment **(City Manager)**
 - 7) Public hearing to consider an ordinance on first reading to abandon, accept the bid, and authorize the Mayor to issue a quit claim deed on a 60 ft. right-of-way being a 0.14 acre tract out of a 60 ft. right-of-way dedicated to the City of Harlingen by the recorded plat of Harlindale Heights Subdivision No. 2, located on the north side of East Harrison Avenue between 21st and 25th Streets. Applicant: Maria I. Kazan Attachment **(Planning and Zoning)**
 - a) Public Hearing
 - b) Consider and take action to approve an ordinance on first reading to abandon, accept the bid and authorize the Mayor to issue a quit claim deed for the above described property.
 - 8) Consider and take action to accept or reject Change Order No. 1 to the Brazil and Teege Road Construction Contract which will include the construction of Bass Pro Drive extension to the west, Bid 2013-08. Attachment **(Dan Serna, Asst. City Manager)**
 - 9) Consider and take action to accept or reject bids for the purchase of one (1) new aluminum transport trailer, Bid No. 2014-05. Attachment **(Dan Serna, Asst. City Manager)**
 - 10) Consider and take action to amend the facility rental rates and policies pertaining to Casa De Amistad located at 1204 Fair Park Blvd., Harlingen, Texas 78550. Attachment **(Arts and Entertainment)**

- 11) Consider and take action to approve the action of the Harlingen Housing Finance Corporation to change its name to the Harlingen and San Benito Housing Finance Corporation. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 12) Consider and take action to authorize the Mayor to execute a letter of support to the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority (RGRWA) for the Strategic Water Plan Management. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 13) Consider and possible action on awarding a Financial Advisory Services Agreement to a firm to provide financial and related services to the City. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 14) Board Appointments

Discussion and possible action regarding membership on any of the following listed board/entity:

- a. Airport Board
- b. Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (3)
- c. Audit Committee (Terms expire annually in June)
- d. Civil Service Commission (Mayor) (1)
- e. Community Development Advisory Board (4)
- f. Construction Board of Adjustments (8)
- g. Convention & Visitors Bureau (3)
- h. Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.
- i. Downtown Improvement District Board (1)
- j. Golf Course Advisory Board (1)
- k. Harlingen Community Improvement Board (1)
- l. Harlingen Housing Authority Board
- m. Harlingen Finance Corporation (5)
- n. Harlingen Proud Advisory Board (3)
- o. Library Advisory Board (0)
- p. Municipal Auditorium Advisory Board (2)
- q. Museum Advisory Board (1)
- r. Parks Advisory Board (1)
- s. Planning & Zoning Advisory Board (2)
- t. Senior Citizens Advisory Board (4)
- u. Tax Increment Finance Board (6)
- v. Tennis Advisory Board (1)
- w. Utility Board of Trustees
- x. Veterans Advisory Board
- y. Zoning Board of Adjustments (5)

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.

- 15) Executive Session/Closed pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D., V.T.C.A., Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding the lease agreement between the City of Harlingen and the Whitewings Baseball Club, LLC for the use of the baseball stadium known as Harlingen Field. **(City Manager)**
- 16) Citizen Communication

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. Contemplated or pending litigation, or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. +Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
2. The purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
3. A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Section 551.073 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
4. Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Section 551.074 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
5. The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.
6. Deliberations regarding Economic Development negotiations. Section 551.087 of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted said Notice on the bulletin board in the City Hall of the City of Harlingen, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said Notice was posted on Friday, December 13, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 13th day of December, 2013


Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary