

REGULAR
CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
September 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, September 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/City Commissioner, Tudor Uhlhorn

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

- 1) Public Announcement of Events
- 2) Board Recognition
- 3) Approval of Minutes of August 7, 2013 – Regular Meeting

CONSENT AGENDA

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 Items withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration in their normal sequence will be heard after the remainder of the Consent Agenda has been acted upon.

- 4a) Second and final reading to approve an ordinance adopting the City of Harlingen's Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 by a record vote. Attachment ***(Finance Department)***
- b) Second and final reading to approve an ordinance adopting the 2013 ad valorem tax rate for maintenance and operation for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Attachment ***(Finance Department)***

- c) Second and final reading to approve an ordinance adopting the 2013 ad valorem tax rate for interest and sinking for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Attachment (***Finance Department***)
- d) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance amending the City of Harlingen 2012-2013 Budget. Attachment (***Finance Department***)
- e) Consider and take action to approve a request by Harlingen High School South to close the following streets on Thursday, September 26, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for their Annual Homecoming Parade. Attachment (***Police Department***)

Bothwell and Dixieland (blocking southbound traffic)
 Alani Circle (both entrances)
 Haverford and Dixieland Intersection
 Midlane and Haverford (Harlingen South side)
 Topaz and Dixieland intersection
 Adrian (East and West) at Dixieland
 Garrett (East and West) at Dixieland
 River Oaks and Dixieland

- f) Consider and take action to approve a request from RGV LEAD-In the Business of Education to close Fair Park Boulevard from North "L" Street to North "J" Street to hold their 2013 Annual Education and Career EXPO on Oct. 9, 2013 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. to set-up for the event and Oct. 10, 2013 from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Casa de Amistad. Attachment (***Police Department***)
- g) Consider and take action to approve a request from St. Anthony Church to close East Van Buren Avenue between 10th Street and 11th Street on Friday, November 1, 2013, 10:00 a.m. until Sunday, November 3, 2013, 10:00 p.m. for their Annual Fall Festival. Attachment (***Police Department***)
- h) Consider and take action to approve a request from the Rotting Flesh Factory Haunted House to close West Van Buren Avenue between "E" and "F" Streets and the alley adjacent to the street closure on the following days to operate a walk-through haunted house attraction from 7:00 p.m. to 12 midnight. Attachment (***Police Department***)
 1. September 27th, 28th, 29th
 2. October 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 31st
 3. November 1st, 2nd



- 5) Consider and discuss an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the City of Harlingen, Texas General Obligation refunding bonds, Series 2013, approving and authorizing the execution of an escrow agreement, a paying agent/registrar agreement, a purchase contract and other instruments and procedures related thereto, delegating authority to the Mayor or the City Manger to select outstanding bonds to be refunded and approve all final terms of the bonds, approving an official statement, and calling certain bonds for redemption. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 6) Consider and take action to approve and adopt a resolution authorizing the submission, by the Police Department for funding of the 2014 Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (S.T.E.P.) Comprehensive Grant through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Attachment **(Police Department)**
- 7) Consider and take action to approve Contract Number 2014-044165-001 for services between the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and City of Harlingen Vital Statistics Department to utilize the DSHS Remote Birth Card Database for birth records of citizens born outside of Harlingen, but within the State of Texas. Attachment **(Health Department)**
- 8) Consider and take action to amend Ordinance No. 98-58 to establish "School Zones" along Jefferson Avenue, 6th Street and 7th Street for Harlingen Christian Academy School located at 622 W. Jefferson. Attachment **(City Engineer)**
- 9) Consider and take action to approve a resolution adopting the Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc. 2013-2014 Fiscal Year. Attachment **(Economic Development)**

10) 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 (9)
- g. Convention & Visitors Bureau (4)
- h. Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc.
- i. Downtown Improvement District Board (1)
- j. Golf Course Advisory Board (1)
- k. Harlingen Community Improvement Board (2)
- l. Harlingen Housing Authority Board (2)
- m. Harlingen Finance Corporation

- n. Harlingen Proud Advisory Board (4)
- o. Library Advisory Board (3)
- p. Municipal Auditorium Advisory Board (3)
- 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 (3)
- 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.

11) 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, September 13, 2013 at 6:50 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 13th day of September, 2013


Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary