

REGULAR
CITY COMMISSION
AGENDA
January 7, 2015
@ 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, January 7, 2015 at 5:30 P.M.** in City Hall, Town Hall, 2nd Floor, and 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.

The Harlingen City Commission reserves the right, pursuant to 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.

Invocation/Mayor Pro-Tem Victor Leal

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

- 1) Public Announcement of Events
- 2) Neighborhood Clean Sweep held Saturday, December 13, 2014, 7th Street to 11th Street from Austin to Pat Neff Street, District 2. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 3) Approval of Minutes
 - a) Special Meeting of December 8, 2014
 - b) Regular Meeting of December 17, 2014

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 Items withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for individual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) Consider and take action to approve an ordinance on first reading amending Chapter 50: SOLID WASTE of the Harlingen Code of Ordinances to provide that no person or business may collect solid waste in the City of Harlingen without the approval of the City. Attachment **(Dan Serna, Asst. City Manager)**

- 5) Discussion regarding the bid(s) received on the following properties from a tax resale conducted on July 2, 2014. Attachment **(City Manager)**

a) Lot 15, Chapulepec, an addition of the City of Harlingen, Cameron County Texas, as described in Volume 14064, Page 197, Official Records of Cameron County, Texas, SAVE & EXCEPT; however, the West 5 Feet thereof as described in Volume 737, Page 25, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas, Account No. 16-3790-0000-0150-00;

b) North 67½ feet of Lots 1, and 2, Block 1, South Side Addition, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 12, Page 26, Map Records of Cameron County, Texas, Account No. 23-6660-0010-0011-00;

c) East ½ of Lot 5, Block 42, Original Townsite, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, as described in Volume 567, Page 634, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas, Account No. 15-0000-0420-0051-00;

d) Lot 20, Block 1, Charleston Addition, and addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 7, Page 1, Map Records of Cameron County, Texas, Account No. 16-4110-0010-0200-00; and

e) 0.0425 acre, more or less, situated in Lot 9, Block 36, Original Townsite Addition, an addition to the City of Harlingen, Cameron County, Texas, as described in Deed dated April 6, 1982, from Bessie B. Blackwell to Floyd Maples, Et Al., in Volume 1273, Page 428, Deed Records of Cameron County, Texas, Account No.: 15-0000-0360-0090-01.

- 6) Consider and take action to approve resolutions for the bid(s) received at the tax resale conducted on July 2, 2014 for the above referenced properties. Attachment **(City Manager)**

- 7) Consider and take action to approve an ordinance on first reading creating three new positions at the rank of lieutenant in the Harlingen Fire Department. Attachment **(City Manager)**
- 8) Consider and take action to accept conditional gift deeds for vacant properties from the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council acquired through Round 2 Disaster Recovery Housing Program. Attachment **(Community Development)**
- 9) Consider and take action to authorize the City Manager to extend a letter of offer on property tax foreclosures held by Cameron County, as Trustee. Attachment **(Community Development)**
- 10) Consider and take action to accept bids and award contract for the TANIP Sidewalk Improvements Project under Bid No. 2015-04. Attachment **(City Engineer)**
- 11) Board Appointments

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

- a. Airport Board
- b. Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (6)
- c. Audit Committee (Terms expire annually in June)
- d. Civil Service Commission (Mayor) (1)
- e. Community Development Advisory Board (2)
- f. Construction Board of Adjustments (5)
- 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 (2)
- l. Harlingen Housing Authority Board (1)
- m. Harlingen Finance Corporation (1)
- n. Harlingen Proud Advisory Board (7)
- o. Library Advisory Board
- p. Municipal Auditorium Advisory Board (3)
- q. Museum Advisory Board (1)
- r. Parks Advisory Board
- s. Planning & Zoning Advisory Board (2)
- t. Senior Citizens Advisory Board (3)
- u. Tax Increment Finance Board
- v. Tennis Advisory Board (1)
- w. Utility Board of Trustees (1)
- x. Veterans Advisory Board (4)

y. Zoning Board of Adjustments (4)

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.

12) Executive/Closed Session on the following items:

- a. pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A., Texas Government Code Section 551.072 regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property. **(City Manager)**
- b. attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071(2), Texas Government Code to provide legal advice and counsel in connection with the City's rights, duties, privileges, and obligations related to the pending collective bargaining process as per Chapter 174, Texas Local Government Code and related matters with the Harlingen Fire Department. **(Assigned Counsel, Rick Navarro)**

13) Consideration and appropriate action to approve a collective bargaining labor agreement between the City of Harlingen and Harlingen Professional Fire Fighters Association, IAFF Local 3404 (HPFFA, IAFF Local 3404), the duly recognized majority bargaining agent for Fiscal Years 2014-2015 through 2015-2016 and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. Attachment **(City Manager)**

14) Citizen Communication

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 Wednesday, December 31, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 31st of December, 2014


Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary