Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas will hold a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, June 17th, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, Town Hall Meeting Room, 2nd Floor, Harlingen, Texas, and provide the public the ability to view the meeting via internet live streaming at www.myharlingen.us and the City of Harlingen Facebook Page.

In accordance with the order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City of Harlingen, Texas will conduct the meeting and provide viewing for the public using live stream in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). To view the City Commission meeting live, go to www.myharlingen.us and click on “CITY COMMISSION LIVE.”

The public will be permitted to offer citizen communication or participate in items listed as public hearings either in person or telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting, or written comments may also be submitted for City staff to read aloud during the meeting.

To offer citizen communication or participate in scheduled public hearings telephonically, go to www.myharlingen.us and click on “PUBLIC HEARING AND CITIZEN COMMUNICATION FORM.” Fill out the form and indicate the item you wish to address, and submit the form.

Please indicate (1) the agenda item on which you wish to speak, (2) whether you prefer to speak on the item during citizen communication or at the time the agenda item is brought for consideration before the City Commission, and (3) a working telephone number at which you may be reached to submit your comments. The City will then call you when the item you wish to speak on is being considered. You will then address the City Commission through speakerphone, and your call will be made audible to the City Commission and to the public through the live stream. Please submit this request before 5 p.m. on the day of the meeting.

To submit written comments for City staff to read aloud during the meeting, go to www.myharlingen.us 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 5 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.
Invocation – Commissioner Victor Leal

Pledge of Allegiance/WELCOME

Call Meeting to Order

Citizen Communication/Input

1) Presentation by the Finance Director regarding the City of Harlingen's Finances for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Attachment (Finance Dept.)

2) Approval of Minutes
   a) Special City Commission Meeting of April 28, 2020
   b) Regular City Commission Meeting of May 6, 2020

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.

3a) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance to rezone from General Retail (“GR”) District to Planned Development (“PD”) District to allow for a single family residential and multi-family residential use for a 14.64 acre tract, out of Lots15-16, Block 146, San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, located on the north side of Haine Dr., east of Treasure Haven Dr. Applicant: Armando Elizarde. Attachment (Planning & Zoning)

b) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to allow an Adult Business (Microblading Studio) in a General Retail (GR) District located at 5505 S Expressway 77 Suite 204, bearing a legal description of Lot 1, Block 1, Harlingen Medical Center Subdivision. Applicant: Diana Lozano, MD. Attachment (Planning & Zoning)

c) Consideration and possible action to approve a request from Family Crisis Center, Inc. to declare their center as an emergency shelter for survivors of domestic violence and their children who are in danger in their own home. Attachment (City Manager)

d) Consideration and possible action to accept the donation of a 5500 Watt Briggs and Stratton Storm Responder Generator from the American Red Cross of South Texas, a non-profit organization to the City of Harlingen. Attachment (Parks & Recreation)

e) Consideration and possible action to approve a request from Cameron County Election Department to use the Cultural Art Center, Studio A & B located on 576 “76” Drive, Harlingen, Texas, June 29th thru July 10, 2020 as an Early Voting site for the 2020 Democratic and Republican Runoff Election. Attachment (Public Building)
4) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading repealing Ordinance NO. 08-36 in its entirety and repealing and replacing Chapter 46, Article III, Division 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Harlingen, Texas by adding a new division 2, “Wreckers;” Amending Chapter 18, “FEES;” of the Code of Ordinances as it provides for FEES and charges related to Wreckers; providing for penalties for failure to comply with such ordinances; providing a severability clause; repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for publication; and providing for an effective date. Attachment *(Police Dept.)*

5) Consideration and possible action to authorize the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Harlingen Police Department, to accept a grant award from the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program for FY-20 from the Department of Justice – Bureau of Justice Assistance in the amount of $55,218.00. Attachment *(Police Dept.)*

6) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Harlingen, to submit a grant application for $18,405.80 to the Department of Justice – Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) to purchase and replace twenty (20) bulletproof vests. Attachment *(Police Dept.)*

7) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading for the adoption of the 2018 International Codes and the 2017 National Electrical Codes. Attachment *(Planning & Zoning)*

8) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with South Texas Emergency Care Foundation (STEC) to administer and perform COVID-19 testing for persons identified and referred by or at the direction of the City’s Health Authority or Health Department. Attachment *(Health)*

9) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution designating the Deputy Finance Director as an authorized signatory on the City of Harlingen’s bank account. Attachment *(Finance Dept.)*

10) Consideration and possible action to declare the itemized list of non-real estate personal property as surplus personal property, as recommended by staff, and authorize city personnel to conduct a public auction of said property on Saturday, July 25, 2020. Attachment *(Finance Dept.)*

11) Consideration and possible action to approve an ordinance on first reading to amend the City of Harlingen’s Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Attachment *(Finance Dept.)*

12) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to enter into a supplemental agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the installation and reimbursement for the operation and maintenance of traffic signals within a municipality. Attachment *(Public Works)*
13) Board Appointments

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

a. Airport Board (2)
b. Animal Shelter Advisory Committee (4)
c. Audit Committee (2 - vacancy) (terms expired June, 2019)
d. Civil Service Commission (2)
e. Community Development Advisory Board (1)
f. Construction Board of Adjustments (5)
g. Convention & Visitors Bureau (1)
h. Development Corporation of Harlingen, Inc. (1)
i. Downtown Improvement District Board (1)
j. Golf Course Advisory Board
k. Harlingen Community Improvement Board
l. Harlingen Housing Authority Board (2)
m. Harlingen Finance Corporation (4)
n. Keep Harlingen Beautiful Board (4)
o. Library Advisory Board (1)
p. Mayor Wellness Council
q. Museum Advisory Board (2)
r. Parks Advisory Board
s. Planning & Zoning Advisory Board
t. Senior Citizens Advisory Board (1)
u. Tax Increment Finance Board (7)
v. Utility Board of Trustees (1)
w. Veterans Advisory Board
x. Zoning Board of Adjustments (4)
y. Complete Census Committee

Specifically, appointment or discussion and possible action to include appointment bylaws and/or removal of any position subject to appointment or removal by statute, ordinance or bylaws.

14) Executive/Closed Session on the following items:

a) Attorney consultation pursuant to Sec. 551.071(2), Texas Gov’t. Code, to receive legal advice regarding the City’s legal responsibilities, obligations, and options for the disposition of the Tony Butler Golf Course Property. (City Manager)

b) Attorney consultation pursuant to Section 551.071(2), Texas Gov’t Code to provide legal advice and counsel in connection with the City’s rights, duties, privileges, and obligations in connection with Federal Aviation Administration correspondence pertaining to ARFF performance issues and related legal matters. (City Manager)

15) Consideration and possible action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Harlingen and Valley International Airport relating to the Airport Rescue and Fire
Fighting (ARFF) Services and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign the MOU. Attachment (City Manager)

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 Corporation’s Internet Website and said Notice was posted on Friday, June 12th, 2020, at or before 2:45 p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 12th, day of June, 2020

Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary