Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Harlingen, Texas will hold a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 1st, 2020 at 5:30 P.M. via videoconference, while providing 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 via videoconference 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 telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. 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 address 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 4 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 4 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 Richard Uribe

Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Call Meeting to Order

Citizen Communication/Input

1) Approval of Minutes
   a) Regular Meeting of May 20, 2020
   b) Regular Meeting of June 03, 2020

2) 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.

2a) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance 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.)

b) Second and final reading to approve and adopt an ordinance amending the City of Harlingen’s Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. Attachment (Finance Dept.)

c) Second and final reading to approve an ordinance adopting the 2018 International Codes and the 2017 National Electrical Codes. Attachment (Planning & Zoning)

d) Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager, on behalf of the City of Harlingen Police Department, to enter into a State Plan of Operations (SPO) between the State of Texas and the City of Harlingen (Police Department), which will be binding on the parties with respect to excess Department of Defense (DOD) personal property transferred, pursuant to 10 USC §2576a in order to promote the efficient and expeditious transfer of property to ensure accountability of the same. Attachment (Police Dept.)

e) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution amending Resolution No. 2020-16 authorizing the Harlingen Police Department to submit a grant application in reference to the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program FY 20 from the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office – Criminal Justice Division to include additional language regarding the disposition of funds in certain circumstances – Criminal Justice Division. Attachment (Police Dept.)
3) Consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution to approve One Year Action Plan (Budget) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (Year 46) of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (Year 26) of the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME). Attachment (Community Development)

4) Consideration and possible action to dedicate an easement and right-of-way to AEP Texas Inc, a Delaware Corporation, for the relocation of 3 phase electrical service to Lon C. Hill Park as part of the improvements for the Destination Park located at 1217 Fair Park Blvd, and authorize the City Manager to execute any related documents. Attachment (Parks & Recreation)

5) Consideration and possible action to approve a License with the US International Boundary and Water Commission to allow the construction, operation and maintenance of the Hike and Bike Trail extension along the Arroyo Colorado and authorize the City Manager to sign any related documents. Attachment (Parks & Recreation)

6) Consideration and possible action to approve a resolution to include the Deputy Finance Director, as a designated authorized representative for the City of Harlingen's Tex-pool investments accounts. Attachment (Finance Dept.)

7) Consideration and possible action to approve an action plan for the Recycling Center Operations. Attachment (Asst. City Manager, Carlos A. Sanchez)

8) Consideration and possible action to authorize staff to amend the listing of authorized properties for sale. Attachment (Asst. City Manager, Carlos A. Sanchez)

9) Consideration and possible action to approve two (2) amendments to the Harlingen Economic Development Corporation's Harlingen Emergency Loan Program (HELP) for Small Businesses. Attachment (Harlingen Economic Development Corporation)

10) 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)
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.

11) Executive/Closed Session on the following items:

   a) Pursuant to Section 551.071(2), Texas Gov't Code, Attorney consultation to receive legal advice related to the City's rights, duties, privileges, and obligations in connection with the appointment of a presiding municipal court judge for the City of Harlingen, Texas and related legal questions pertaining to such appointments. *(City Manager)*

   b) Pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Gov't Code, closed session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, and duties of qualified applicants for the position of Presiding Judge for the City of Harlingen Municipal Court. *(City Manager)*

12) Consideration and appropriate action to appoint a qualified applicant to the position of Presiding Judge for the City of Harlingen Municipal Court for a new two year term as contemplated by Section 29.005, Texas Gov't Code. *(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 26th, 2020, at or before 4:10 p.m. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the time of said meeting.

Dated this 26th day of June, 2020

Amanda C. Elizondo, City Secretary