

**MINUTES  
AGENDA  
PUBLIC MEETING  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS  
Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 6:00 PM**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular City Council Meeting of the Town of Horizon City, Texas was held on **Tuesday, February 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM**, at City Council Chambers Room, 15001 Darrington Road, Horizon City, TX 79928, at which time the following was discussed and considered:

**1. Call to order; Pledge of Allegiance; Establishment of Quorum**

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm. All City Council Members present. Quorum Established.

**2. Open Forum:**

No one signed up to speak.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

*All matters listed under the CONSENT AGENDA are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member(s) of the City Council requests one or more items be removed from the CONSENT AGENDA to the REGULAR AGENDA for separate discussion and action prior to the City Council's vote to adopt the CONSENT AGENDA.*

**3. Approval of Minutes from:**

1/14/25 Regular City Council Meeting.

**4. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On the presentation of the Biased Based report by the Horizon City Police.

**5. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On a presentation of the Horizon City Police Department Annual Report.

**6. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

On the re-appointment of Dean Hulsey to the Horizon City Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

**7. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

On the re-appointment of Ruby Maldonado to the Horizon City Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors.

**8. Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:**

**9. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:**

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Quiroz to approve the consent agenda. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

## REGULAR AGENDA

10. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Municipal Judge

***This item was postponed at the 10/8/24 Regular City Council meeting.*** On a presentation from municipal court staff regarding a proposal for a new court fees online payment provider.

The City Clerk, Elvia Schuller asked Council for postponement of this item as requested by Court Staff.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Quiroz to postpone this item as requested by Court staff. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

11. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

That the Mayor be authorized to sign an Agreement Between the TOWN OF HORIZON CITY and the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/ FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION to allow the Town of Horizon City to be reimbursed for overtime paid to Horizon City Police Department personnel assigned to the Violent Crimes Taskforce.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Mendoza and seconded by Councilman Quiroz to authorize the Mayor to sign an Agreement Between the TOWN OF HORIZON CITY and the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE/ FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION to allow the Town of Horizon City to be reimbursed for overtime paid to Horizon City Police Department personnel assigned to the Violent Crimes Taskforce. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

12. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On the award of solicitation 2025-100RFP for Website Redesign ADA project to Granicus, Inc. for \$21,520.00 with a 5% increase per year for up to 60 months.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas and Granicus Rep, Allyson Biddy spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Quiroz and seconded by Councilwoman Urrutia to approve the award of solicitation 2025-100RFP for Website Redesign ADA project to Granicus, Inc. for \$21,520.00 with a 5% increase per year for up to 60 months. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

***Items #13 and #14 were taken together***

13. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

That the Mayor be authorized to sign a Chapter 380 Economic Development Performance Agreement between the Town of Horizon City (the "City") and NoHo Processors, LLC. (the "Applicant"), regarding Applicant's improvements and expansion of its facilities at Horizon City, Texas. Pursuant to the Agreement, Applicant will invest \$47 million dollars and create 110 full-time positions within 3 years paying an average hourly wage of \$19.86. In exchange, the City will provide incentives not to exceed \$125,000.00 paid over 5 years.

14. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

That the Mayor be authorized to sign an Economic Development Performance Agreement between the Town of Horizon City (the "City"), The Horizon City EDC (HEDC) and NoHo Processors, LLC. (the "Applicant"), regarding Applicant's improvements and expansion of its facilities at Horizon City, Texas. Pursuant to the Agreement, Applicant will invest \$47 million dollars and create 110 full-time positions within 3 years paying an average hourly wage of \$19.86. In exchange, the HEDC will provide incentives not to exceed \$125,000.00 paid over 5 years.

EDC Executive Director, Eddie Garcia and Nogalera Rep, Jesus Carrera spoke regarding items #13 and #14. Eddie Garcia made a floor amendment on the posted language for item #14 correcting it to be the EDC Board President be authorized to sign the agreement instead of the Mayor and that the agreement only be between the Economic Development Corporation and NoHo Processors, LLC and not including the Town of Horizon City.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Padilla to approve authorizing the Mayor be authorized to sign a Chapter 380 Economic Development Performance Agreement between the Town of Horizon City (the "City") and NoHo Processors, LLC. (the "Applicant"), regarding Applicant's improvements and expansion of its facilities at Horizon City, Texas AND that the EDC Board President be authorized to sign an Economic Development Performance Agreement between the Horizon City EDC (HEDC) and NoHo Processors, LLC. (the "Applicant"), regarding Applicant's improvements and expansion of its facilities at Horizon City, Texas. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

**15. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/CIP Manager

On an update on the Capital Improvement Program.

CIP Manager, Terry Quezada spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Mendoza and seconded by Councilwoman Urrutia to accept the report as presented. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

**16. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/CIP Manager

On a Resolution of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, establishing priorities for the 89th legislative session in Texas, and authorizing the Mayor and his designees to communicate with the office of the governor and Texas legislature on behalf of the Town of Horizon City, Texas.

CIP Manager, Terry Quezada spoke regarding this item. Alderwoman Randeel mentioned that the Resolution had State Rep Mary Gonzalez as Mary Rodriguez. City Attorney to make the correction before finalizing.

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the corrected Resolution of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, establishing priorities for the 89th legislative session in Texas, and authorizing the Mayor and his designees to communicate with the office of the governor and Texas legislature on behalf of the Town of Horizon City, Texas. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

**17. Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/CIP Manager

That the Mayor be authorized to sign the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement by and between the Town and the Authority to supplement the services of the Authority to procure and manage construction of the Project.

CIP Manager, Terry Quezada spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Quiroz to authorize the Mayor to sign the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement by and between the Town and the Authority to supplement the services of the Authority to procure and manage construction of the Project. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

18. **Discussion:**

Mayor/Finance Director

**1st Reading of Ordinance No. 0313 Amendment No. 01**, An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 0313 of the Town of Horizon City, adopting the municipal budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, to allow for the transfer of funds in the 2025 Police Department Budget; and providing for repealer and severability clauses.

Finance Director, Lily Gaytan and Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

19. **PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor/Asst. City Atty

**2nd Reading of Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_**. An Ordinance calling a special election by the qualified voters of the Town of Horizon City, Texas on May 3, 2025, for the purpose of submitting a proposition on the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the Town of Horizon City at the rate of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; making provision for the conduct of such election; resolving other matters incident and related to such election; providing for invalidity, proper notice and public meeting and an effective date. The tax will expire on the fourth (4th) anniversary of the date of the election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.

No one from the public spoke.

20. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Asst. City Atty

**2nd Reading of Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_**. An Ordinance calling a special election by the qualified voters of the Town of Horizon City, Texas on May 3, 2025, for the purpose of submitting a proposition on the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the Town of Horizon City at the rate of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; making provision for the conduct of such election; resolving other matters incident and related to such election; providing for invalidity, proper notice and public meeting and an effective date. The tax will expire on the fourth (4th) anniversary of the date of the election unless the imposition of the tax is reauthorized.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the Ordinance calling a special election by the qualified voters of the Town of Horizon City, Texas on May 3, 2025, for the purpose of submitting a proposition on the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the Town of Horizon City at the rate of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; making provision for the conduct of such election; resolving other matters incident and related to such election; providing for invalidity, proper notice and public meeting and an effective date.. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to adjourn into Executive Session at **6:45 PM**. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

21. **Executive Session**

The City Council of the Town of Horizon City reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices,) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

21A. Mayor/Chief Vargas

Personnel Matter/Claim involving Michael B. Sierra. 551.072 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.074 (Personnel Matters)

**The Mayor and Council Reconvened into Open Session at 7:02 PM.**

22. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On personnel matter/claim involving Michael B. Sierra.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Quiroz to authorize the City Attorney to resolve the claim by Michael B. Sierra against the Town of Horizon City in accordance with the terms discussed in Executive Session and that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to sign all documents necessary on behalf of the City to finally resolve the matter. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; URRUTIA – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilman Mendoza and seconded by Councilman Miller to adjourn at 7:03 PM.

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

**Attest:**

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Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

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Andres Renteria, Mayor