

**MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, December 9, 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, December 9, 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 6:00pm. 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:

Mayor/City Clerk
November 12, 2025 Regular City Council Meeting.

4. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director
On a Resolution designating Art Rubio as the Town of Horizon City's representative on the Board of Directors of EPATS, LGC.

5. Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:

6. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the consent agenda. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. PRESENTATION:

Mayor/Council Member Gardea
On the Recognition of Achievement for Ethan Martinez for his selection as a 2025 QuestBridge Scholar to Rice University.

Council Member Gardea and Mayor Renteria spoke regarding this item and presented Ethan Martinez with a Certificate of Achievement.

8. 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 Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to accept the report as presented. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

Prior to taking the next item, the Mayor and members of City Council thanked Terry Quezada for her hard work and contributions and presented Terry with a plaque from the Town of Horizon City.

9. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the First Amendment to the Contract of Employment with Marco A. Vargas for the purpose of extending its term through December 31, 2029.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item. Mayor and members of City Council thanked the Chief for a job well done.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Avila to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the First Amendment to the Contract of Employment with Marco A. Vargas for the purpose of extending its term through December 31, 2029. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

10. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

That the Mayor be authorized to sign an Third Amendment to a Lease Agreement covering the property located at 15001 Darrington Road, Horizon City, Texas between Clekids Property Holdings, LLC, successor in interest to KidsMar, LLC, ("Landlord") and the Town of Horizon City, Texas ("Tenant") dated November 30, 2017, and amended on June 9, 2020, and May 23, 2023, to extend the term of the Lease to December 31, 2029 and rescinding the Termination Letter dated October 15, 2025.

The Mayor requested this item be tabled until the next City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to table this item until the next city council meeting as requested by the Mayor. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

11. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On the approval and acceptance of a \$1,500.00 donation from Summit Plastic Molding II, Inc., designated to support sponsorships for a driver's license program benefiting 12 senior students — six from Horizon High School and six from Eastlake High School, in collaboration with ANP Driving School through a community partnership initiative.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Avila and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve and accept the \$1,500.00 donation from Summit Plastic Molding II, Inc., designated to support sponsorships for a driver's license program benefiting 12 senior students. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

12. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Public Works Director

On the award of Solicitation No. 2026-102(Rebid) - Parks and Grounds Maintenance Contract, to Abescape Landscaping, LLC as the best value bidder in the amount of \$1,130,664.60, for the award of a three-year contract from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2029, with two options to extend.

Public Works Director, Albert Valle and Abescape Estimator, David Lopez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve the award of Solicitation No. 2026-102(Rebid) - Parks and Grounds Maintenance Contract, to Abescape Landscaping, LLC as the best value bidder in the amount of \$1,130,664.60, for the award of a three-year contract from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2029, with two options to extend. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

Item #13 was taken after Item #15.

13. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a Resolution ratifying the actions of Mayor Andres Renteria to sign and deliver a Water Services Easement to the HRMUD for the purpose of granting a perpetual easement for construction, installation, maintenance, repair, replacement, enlargement, removal, and operation of water service meters and all related appurtenances in connection with the Municipal Services Center Phase I.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the resolution ratifying the actions of Mayor Andres Renteria to sign and deliver a Water Services Easement to the HRMUD for the purpose of granting a perpetual easement for construction, installation, maintenance, repair, replacement, enlargement, removal, and operation of water service meters and all related appurtenances in connection with the Municipal Services Center Phase I. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

14. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On the submitted Replat application for Darrington Park Replat B (Case No. SUC25-0008), legally described as a portion of Lot 4, Block 3, Darrington Park, El Paso County, Texas. Located in the Horizon City Extra Territorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). Containing 10.034 acres ±. Application submitted by GECCA, LLC.

Planner, David Ruiz spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Avila and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve the submitted Replat application for Darrington Park Replat B (Case No. SUC25-0008). The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

15. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On the Final Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 2 (Case No. SDF25-0003), allowing recording of the final plat prior to the completion of all required improvements secured by sufficient bond and to authorize the Mayor to sign the recording plat, legally described as Being A Portion Of Section 32, Block 78, Township 3, Texas And Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 69.31 acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: CEA Group.

Planning Specialist, David Ruiz and CEA Group Engineer, Jorge Grajeda spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the Final Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 2 (Case No. SDF25-0003), allowing recording of the final plat prior to the completion of all required improvements secured by sufficient bond and to authorize the Mayor to sign the recording plat. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

16. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 3 (Case No. SDP25-0005), legally described as Being A Portion Of Section 30, Block 78, Township 3, Texas And Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 45.399 acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: CEA Group.

Planner, David Ruiz and Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 3 (Case No. SDP25-0005). The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

17. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the first Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the Horizon Regional Municipal Utility District ("HRMUD") and the Town of Horizon City ("City") for reimbursement of actual design expenses in connection with the construction of a sewer service line to be installed and for reimbursement of Project Management, Construction Oversight, and survey services for the construction of the water tie in as part of the City's Municipal Facilities Phase I Project.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the first Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the Horizon Regional Municipal Utility District ("HRMUD") and the Town of Horizon City ("City") for reimbursement of actual design expenses in connection with the construction of a sewer service line to be installed and for reimbursement of Project Management, Construction Oversight, and survey services for the construction of the water tie in as part of the City's Municipal Facilities Phase I Project. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

18. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a Resolution ratifying a Standard Utility Reimbursement Agreement ("Agreement") by and between the Town of Horizon City ("Town") and Texas Gas Service, a division of One Gas, Inc. ("Utility"), both acting by and through, their duly authorized representatives, shall be effective on the day of execution by and behalf of the Town.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve the resolution ratifying a Standard Utility Reimbursement Agreement ("Agreement") by and between the Town of Horizon City ("Town") and Texas Gas Service, a division of One Gas, Inc. ("Utility"), both acting by and through, their duly authorized representatives, shall be effective on the day of execution by and behalf of the Town. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

Item #19 was taken in Executive Session.

19. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement between the Town of Horizon City, Texas and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in an amount not to exceed \$276,038.75 for the following services: appraisal, appraisal review, title, right of way project management, survey (metes and bounds) and negotiation services for the Horizon City Transit Center acquisition of seven (7) parcels and other types of right of way review services for the Town of Horizon City Delake ROW Project.

20. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

On a Motion to authorize the expenditure of \$42,500.00 by the EDC to engage Pettit & Ayala Consulting to assist in the creation of a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone.

EDC Executive Director, Eddie Garcia spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Gardea to authorize the expenditure of \$42,500.00 by the EDC to engage Pettit & Ayala Consulting to assist in the creation of a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

The Mayor called for a 5 minute recess at 8:02 pm at the request of Council Member Gardea.

The Mayor and City Council adjourned to go into Executive Session at 8:10 pm.

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).

19. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement between the Town of Horizon City, Texas and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in an amount not to exceed \$276,038.75 for the following services: appraisal, appraisal review, title, right of way project management, survey (metes and bounds) and negotiation services for the Horizon City Transit Center acquisition of seven (7) parcels and other types of right of way review services for the Town of Horizon City Delake ROW Project.

21A. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

That the Mayor be authorized to sign the First Amendment to the Chapter 380 performance agreement between the Town of Horizon City and Kenazo Partners LLC for the construction of a 36,000 sq. ft. medical office center. As part of this agreement, the builder will be required to invest a minimum of \$6,700,000 and comply with the noted design requirements. The total grant amount shall not exceed \$74,614.

The Mayor and Council Reconvened into Open Session at 8:47 PM.

19. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement between the Town of Horizon City, Texas and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in an amount not to exceed \$276,038.75 for the following services: appraisal, appraisal review, title, right of way project management, survey (metes and bounds) and negotiation services for the Horizon City Transit Center acquisition of seven (7) parcels and other types of right of way review services for the Town of Horizon City Delake ROW Project.

A motion was made by Council Member Avila and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement Project Development Agreement between the Town of Horizon City, Texas and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in a floor amendment corrected amount not to exceed \$278,538.75 for the following services: appraisal, appraisal review, title, right of way project management, survey (metes and bounds) and negotiation services for the Horizon City Transit Center acquisition of seven (7) parcels and other types of right of way review services for the Town of Horizon City Delake ROW Project. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

21A. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

That the Mayor be authorized to sign the First Amendment to the Chapter 380 performance agreement between the Town of Horizon City and Kenazo Partners LLC for the construction of a 36,000 sq. ft. medical office center. As part of this agreement, the builder will be required to invest a minimum of \$6,700,000 and comply with the noted design requirements. The total grant amount shall not exceed \$74,614.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Avila to authorize the Mayor to sign the First Amendment to the Chapter 380 performance agreement between the Town of Horizon City and Kenazo Partners LLC for the construction of a 36,000 sq. ft. medical office center. As part of this agreement, the builder will be required to invest a minimum of \$6,700,000 and comply with the noted design requirements. The total grant amount shall not exceed \$74,614. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

Before adjourning, the Mayor announced dates, times and locations for the upcoming Christmas Tree Lighting Event and Christmas Parade.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Avila to adjourn at 8:51 PM.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

Andres Renteria, Mayor