MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, October 13, 2026, 6:00 PM

Notice is hereby given that a Regular City Council Meeting of the Town of Horizon City, Texas was held on **Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 6:00 PM**, at City Council Chambers, 15021 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. City Council Member Ruben Mendoza was absent. Quorum established. Deputy City Clerk, Armando Bustillos sat in for City Clerk, Elvia Schuller.

2. **Open Forum:**

   American Legion Member, Gil Kelly spoke about an upcoming Veteran's Day Expto event and thanked City Council for their suppport.

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:**
   9/8/26 Regular City Council Meeting.

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

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

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

REGULAR AGENDA

6. **Discussion and Action:**
   Mayor/CIP Manager
   On an update on the Capital Improvement Program.

   CIP Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regardging this item.

   A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Gardea to accept the report as presented. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

7. **Discussion and Action:**
Mayor/CIP Manager
On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an advance funding agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for TA25 Howard Lowe Pedestrian Mall Project after consultation with the City Attorney and Capital Projects Manager.

CIP Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regardging this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Ames to authorize the Mayor to sign an advance funding agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for TA25 Howard Lowe Pedestrian Mall Project after consultation with the City Attorney and Capital Projects Manager. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

8. **Discussion and Action:**
Mayor/Planning Director
On the Final Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 3 (Case No. SDF25-0003) to reaffirm approval and to allow recording of the plat prior to the completion of all required improvements secured by sufficient bond and to ratify the Subdivision Construction Agreement between the Town of Horizon City and Hunt Communities GP, LLC authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement and recording plats. The subject property is legally described as being A Portion Of Land Situated in Section 30, Block 78, Township 3, Texas and Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 15.399 acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: CEA Group.

Planner, David Ruiz and CEA Group Project Engineer, Jorge Grajeda spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Ames to approve the Final Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 3 (Case No. SDF25-0003) to reaffirm approval and to allow recording of the plat prior to the completion of all required improvements secured by sufficient bond and to ratify the Subdivision Construction Agreement between the Town of Horizon City and Hunt Communities GP, LLC authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement and recording plats. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

9. **Discussion and Action:**
Mayor/Planning Director
On the Final Subdivision Plats application for Verdancia Unit 4 Phase I & II (Case No. SDF26-0002 and SDF26-0003), allow 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 30, Block 78, Township 3, Texas And Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 86.51-acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: CEA Group.

Planner, David Ruiz spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the Final Subdivision Plats application for Verdancia Unit 4 Phase I & II (Case No. SDF26-0002 and SDF26-0003), allow 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 Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

10. **Discussion and Action:**
    Mayor/Planning Director
    On the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 20 (Case No. SDP26-0002), legally described as Being A Portion Of Section 43, Block 78, Township 3, Texas And Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 23.557-Acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: TRE & Associates.

    Planner, David Ruiz spoke regarding this item.

    A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Ames to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 20 (Case No. SDP26-0002). The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

11. **Discussion and Action:**
    Mayor/Planning Director
    On the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 21 (Case No. SDP26-0003), legally described as Being A Portion Of Section 43, Block 78, Township 3, Texas And Pacific Railway Company Surveys, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 21.475-Acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: TRE & Associates.

    Planner, David Ruiz spoke regarding this item.

    A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 21 (Case No. SDP26-0003). The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

12. **Discussion and Action:**
    Mayor/Planning Director
    On a Resolution authorizing the Town of Horizon City to sponsor the Veterans Day Expo to be held at Desmond Corcoran Park by waiving the Special Event Permit application fee of $500.00.

    Planning Director, Art Rubio and American Legion Member, Gil Kelly spoke regarding this item.

    A motion was made by Council Member Gardea seconded by Council Member Avila to approve the resolution authorizing the Town of Horizon City to sponsor the Veterans Day Expo to be held at Desmond Corcoran Park by waiving the Special Event Permit application fee of $500.00. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

13. **Discussion and Action:**
    Mayor/Planning Director
    On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Public Service Transit and Contribution Agreement for Fiscal Year 2027 with the El Paso Area Transportation Services, LGC and to designate Jesse Sanchez as a second alternate board member.

    Planning Director, Art Rubio, ETA Executive Director, John Andoh and ETA Operations Manager, Jesus Serna spoke regarding this item.

    A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Public Service Transit and Contribution Agreement for Fiscal Year 2027 with the El Paso Area Transportation Services, LGC and to designate Jesse Sanchez as a second alternate board member. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

14. **Discussion:**
Mayor/Planning Director
1st Reading of Ordinance _____, An Ordinance Amending The Town Of Horizon City Subdivision Ordinance By Repealing And Replacing Chapter 10A Subdivision Ordinance; Section 2.8 Parkland Dedication And Fees In Lieu; Adopting Parkland Dedication Requirements, Fees In Lieu Of Parkland Dedication, Park Development Improvement Fees, Parkland Credits, Private Park Credits For Multifamily Development, Park Facilities Standards And Amending The Subdivision Construction Design Manual To Include The Standards And Revise Cross-Sections; Park Design; Parkland Fund Administration, Refunds, Appeals, Exhibit A Parkland Dedication, Fee In Lieu And Park Development Improvement Fee Schedule And Establishing Parkland Required Standards; Providing For Severability, Repealer, Proper Notice, And Effective Date.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

15. **Discussion:**
Mayor/Planning Director
1st Reading of Ordinance, _____, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 14A Zoning; Chapter 4 Residential Districts Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The Town Of Horizon City, Texas; Creating A New R-4A (Single-Family Dwelling) Residential District; Establishing Purpose, Applicability, Permitted Uses, Accessory Uses, Development Standards, Design Standards, Parking Requirements, Landscaping Requirements, Compatibility Standards, And Changes To Related Regulations; Providing For Severability; Providing For Repealer; Providing For Proper Notice And Meeting; And Establishing An Effective Date.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

16. **Discussion:**
Mayor/Planning Director
1st Reading of Ordinance _____**,** An Ordinance Amending The Town Of Horizon City Master Plan For Parks And Open Space; Adopting The Revised Parks, Recreation And Open Space Master Plan; Providing Findings That The Plan Supports The Town's Comprehensive Plan, Capital Improvement Program, Parkland Dedication Requirements, And Long-Range Recreational Needs; Providing For Severability, Repealer, Proper Notice, And Effective Date; And Directing The Planning Director To Implement The Amended Plan.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

Items #17, #18 #19 and #20 were taken after Item #5.

17. **PUBLIC HEARING:**
Mayor/Planning Director
2nd Reading of Ordinance _____, An Ordinance Vacating a 10' Public Utility Easement located at 14207 Desierto Bonito St. in a portion of Lot 59, Block 20, Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 12A, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas.

Planner, David Ruiz spoke regarding this item. No one from the public spoke.

18. **Discussion and Action:**
Mayor/Planning Director
2nd Reading of Ordinance _____, An Ordinance Vacating a 10' Public Utility Easement located at 14207 Desierto Bonito St. in a portion of Lot 59, Block 20, Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 12A, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea seconded by Council Member Ames to approve the Ordinance Vacating a 10' Public Utility Easement located at 14207 Desierto Bonito St. in a portion of Lot 59, Block 20, Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 12A, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

19. **Discussion and Action:**
Mayor/Finance Director
On an Engagement Letter with SBNG for auditing services for fiscal year 2026.

Finance Director, Lily Gaytan spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the Engagement Letter with SBNG for auditing services for fiscal year 2026. The Deputy City Clerk polled the Council: G. Ortega – Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza – Absent. Motion Passed.

20. **Discussion:**
Mayor/Finance Director
1st Reading of Ordinance No. 0325 Amendment No. 01, An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 0325 (Amendment No. 01) of The Town of Horizon City, Adopting the Municipal Budget for the 2027 Fiscal Year, to allow for the budgeting and expenditure of funds in the amount of $16,625.00 transferring funds from the Building Services Department to the Planning Department to provide for the re-alignment of responsibilities and staffing in the departments.; and Providing repealer and severability clauses.

Finance Director, Lily Gaytan spoke regarding this item.

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).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Avila and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to adjourn at 9:18 PM.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

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Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

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Andres Renteria, Mayor