

**MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, March 10, 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, March 10, 2026 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. City Council Member Robert Avila and Mayor Andres Renteria were absent. Council Member and Mayor Pro Tem, Scott Quiroz presided over the meeting. Quorum established.

Item #2 was taken after Item #7

2. Open Forum:

Commissioner Iliana Holguin's Policy Advisor, Oscar Silva spoke regarding the proposed County Animal Shelter.

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:

March 3, 2026, Special City Council Meeting.

4. Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:

5. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On the approval of the Town of Horizon City's Phase II MS4 Annual Report for the 2025 calendar year and authorize the Mayor to sign the report and transmittal letter, all to be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

6. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Ames to excuse absent Council Member, Robert Avila and Mayor, Andres Renteria and approve the remainder of the consent agenda. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/CIP Manager

On an update on the Capital Improvement Program.

CIP Program Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Ames to accept the report as presented. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

8. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/CIP Program Manager

The item was postponed from the February 10, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting. On the request for authorization and approval for the maximum purchase price of \$262,311.00 for the purchase and installation of a new 120' Self Support Tower, TIA-222-H, 112 mph rated, Exposure C, Class III, Sole Source funded by 2023 Certificates of Obligation.

City Clerk, Elvia Schuller asked for deletion of this item at the request of City Staff.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Gardea to delete this item as requested by City Staff. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

9. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/CIP Program Manager

This item was postponed from the February 10, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting. On the approval of Change Order No. 15 to Dantex General Contractors in the deduction (credit) amount of \$5,000.00 for eliminating the demolition of the existing radio tower for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101). Change Order No. 15 has no impact to the contract completion time.

CIP Program Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to approve Change Order No. 15 to Dantex General Contractors in the deduction (credit) amount of \$5,000.00 for eliminating the demolition of the existing radio tower for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101). The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

10. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Planning Director

On the ratification of the acceptance of the roadway and drainage improvements as constructed with the Verdancia Unit 1 Subdivision Construction Phase 1 for maintenance and to accept the required maintenance bond and a partial release of the performance bond.

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

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to approve the ratification of the acceptance of the roadway and drainage improvements as constructed with the Verdancia Unit 1 Subdivision Construction Phase 1 for maintenance and to accept the required maintenance bond and a partial release of the performance bond. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

11. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Planning Director

On the request for authorization and approval for the maximum purchase price of \$94,669.02 for the purchase and installation of a new sound system and all required equipment for Municipal Facilities , Region 19 Contract nos. 24-7488/24-7480 funded by 2023 Certificates of Obligation.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Garcia and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the request for authorization and approval for the maximum purchase price of \$94,669.02 for the purchase and installation of a new sound system and all required equipment for Municipal Facilities , Region 19 Contract nos. 24-7488/24-7480 funded by 2023 Certificates of Obligation. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

12. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On a Resolution authorizing Police Chief Marco Vargas to sign an Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the Town of Horizon City with the El Paso County Juvenile Board and the 65th Judicial District Court to designate a Juvenile Processing Office within the Horizon City Police Headquarters.

Asst. Police Chief, Jose Kluge spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the resolution authorizing Police Chief Marco Vargas to sign an Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the Town of Horizon City with the El Paso County Juvenile Board and the 65th Judicial District Court to designate a Juvenile Processing Office within the Horizon City Police Headquarters. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

13. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

To approve and authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign the Texas Police Chiefs Association Accreditation agreement for continued accreditation status for best police practices.

Police Lieutenant, Jaime Crespo spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to approve and authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign the Texas Police Chiefs Association Accreditation agreement for continued accreditation status for best police practices. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

14. PRESENTATION:

Mayor/Police Chief

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

Police Lieutenants, Kaycee Valdez, Jaime Crespo, JC Rodriguez, Asst. Police Chief Kluge, Communications Asst. Mgr, Irlanda Hueta, Communications Mgr, Elva Ramos and Finance Director, Lily Gaytan spoke regarding this item.

15. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On authorizing the Chief of Police to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Horizon City Police Department and Clint Independent School District regarding participation in the District's Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs.

Asst. Police Chief, Jose Kluge spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to authorize the Chief of Police to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town of Horizon City Police Department and Clint Independent School District regarding participation in the District's Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

16. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with the City of El Paso for the use and interoperability of the P25 digital 800 MHz and VHF public safety radio system.

Communications Mgr, Elva Ramos spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement with the City of El Paso for the use and interoperability of the P25 digital 800 MHz and VHF public safety radio system. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

17. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign a memorandum of understanding with the El Paso Police Department on behalf of the City of El Paso for the use of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System used for processing Juvenile Detainees through purchased Live Scan equipment.

Asst. Police Chief, Jose Kluge spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to approve and authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign a memorandum of understanding with the El Paso Police Department on behalf of the City of El Paso for the use of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System used for processing Juvenile Detainees through purchased Live Scan equipment. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

18. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Chief of Police to accept the award from the Texas Facilities Commission for transfer and then to purchase 1 vehicle (SUV) from the State of Texas, State and Federal Surplus Property Office, in the amount of \$1,500, as per authority granted to Texas Facilities Commission through HB 229 (84th legislature) Texas Government Code 2175.308.

Police Lieutenant, Jaime Crespo spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Ames to approve and authorize the Chief of Police to accept the award from the Texas Facilities Commission for transfer and then to purchase 1 vehicle (SUV) from the State of Texas, State and Federal Surplus Property Office, in the amount of \$1,500, as per authority granted to Texas Facilities Commission through HB 229 (84th legislature) Texas Government Code 2175.308. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

19. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority 2027 Grant Application.

Police Lieutenant, Kaycee Valdez and Asst. Police Chief, Jose Kluge spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Ames to approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority 2027 Grant Application. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

20. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize for the Mayor or his designee to sign the FY2027 grant resolution for the Portable Radio Enhancement Project to the Office of the Governor.

City Clerk, Elvia Schuller asked for deletion of this item at the request of City Staff.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Mendoza to delete this item as requested by City Staff. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Present but not voting, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Absent, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Aye. Motion Passed.

21. Discussion:

Mayor/Finance Director

1st Reading of Ordinance No. 0323 Amendment No. 01, An Ordinance amending Ordinance NO. 0323 (Amendment NO. 01) of The Town of Horizon City, Adopting the Municipal Budget for the 2026 Fiscal Year, to allow for the budgeting and expenditure of funds for Police Department vehicles and lease payments for the Administrative Building; and Providing repealer and severability clauses.

Finance Director, Lily Gaytan spoke regarding this item.

22. 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 Mendoza and seconded by Councilmember R. Ortega to adjourn at 7:59 PM.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

Andres Renteria, Mayor