

**MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, February 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, February 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 Ruben Mendoza was absent. 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:

January 13, 2026 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 and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to excuse absent Council Member Ruben Mendoza and approve the remainder of the consent agenda. The 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. Presentation:

Mayor/Council Member Gardea

On recognition of the Horizon City Athletics Wrestlers for qualifying for the Texas Youth Folkstyle State Championship.

Mayor Renteria and City Council Member Gardea spoke regarding this item and congratulated the Athletes.

7. Presentation:

Mayor/Police Chief

Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to Lt. Kaycee Valdez for 20 years of service to the Town of Horizon City as member of the Horizon City Police Department.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

8. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/CIP Program Manager

On an update on the Capital Improvement Program.

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega 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 - Absent. Motion Passed.

9. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/CIP Program Manager

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 informed Council that staff for this item to be postponed until next City Council meeting.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Quiroz to postpone this item as requested by staff. The 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/CIP Program Manager

On the approval of Additional Services Authorization No. 2 to EXIGO Architecture, LLC in the amount of \$27,705.00 for additional materials testing by Terracon and additional structural design services by EXIGO Architecture and Jaramillo, Tonneson and Associates.

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Quiroz to approve the Additional Services Authorization No. 2 to EXIGO Architecture, LLC in the amount of \$27,705.00 for additional materials testing by Terracon and additional structural design services by EXIGO Architecture and Jaramillo, Tonneson and Associates. The 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/CIP Program Manager

On the approval of Change Order No. 14 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$18,260.90 and an additional thirty (30) calendar days to the contract completion time for the installation of additional power and data drops required for the new IT Special Systems for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101).

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve Change Order No. 14 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$18,260.90 and an additional thirty (30) calendar days to the contract completion time for the installation of additional power and data drops required for the new IT Special Systems for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101). The 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/CIP Program Manager

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.

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez, Asst. City Atty, Sylvia Firth and Communications Manager, Elva Ramos spoke regarding this item. After discussion, Mayor Renteria and Asst. City Attorney recommended tabling this item to allow staff to obtain additional information on this item.

A motion was made by Council Member G. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Avila to table this item as requested. The 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/CIP Program Manager

On the approval of Change Order No. 16 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$34,106.94 and an additional twenty-five (25) calendar days for the addition of power and data outlets for Emergency Services 911 for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101).

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to approve Change Order No. 16 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$34,106.94 and an additional twenty-five (25) calendar days for the addition of power and data outlets for Emergency Services 911 for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101). The 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 and Action:

Mayor/CIP Program Manager

On the approval of Change Order No. 17 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$11,048.98 and an additional fifteen (15) calendar days to the contract completion time for the demolition of a 7'x7' concrete pad for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101).

Project Manager, Jesse Sanchez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Quiroz to approve Change Order No. 17 to Dantex General Contractors in the amount of \$11,048.98 and an additional fifteen (15) calendar days to the contract completion time for the demolition of a 7'x7' concrete pad for the Municipal Facilities Phase 1 Project (Solicitation 23-101). The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

Item #15 taken after Item #9

15. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On a request for an exception to Chapter 14, Section 602.8 (Exhibit A), Subsection B.7 of the Municipal Code to allow for the sale of alcoholic beverages within 300 feet of a day care center for property located at 13855 Horizon Blvd, STE - A. Application submitted by Manish Koladiya.

Planner, David Ruiz and Applicant, Manish Koladiya spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Avila to approve the request for an exception to Chapter 14, Section 602.8 (Exhibit A), Subsection B.7 of the Municipal Code to allow for the sale of alcoholic beverages within 300 feet of a day care center for property located at 13855 Horizon Blvd, STE - A. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

16. Public Hearing:

Mayor/Planning Director

2nd Reading of Ordinance No. _____, An Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, Chapter 14 (Zoning), Exhibit A (Zoning Ordinance), to revise and amend the Following: Chapter 10 (Sign Regulations), Section 1016 (Exemptions) to add an exemption for civic use signs on City Right-of-Way; Proper Notice; and Effective Date; the Penalty Being as Provided in Section 810 of the Zoning Ordinance (No. 0102) of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, Creating a Misdemeanor Punishable by a Fine not to Exceed \$2,000.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item. No one from the public spoke.

17. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

2nd Reading of Ordinance No. _____, An Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, Chapter 14 (Zoning), Exhibit A (Zoning Ordinance), to revise and amend the Following: Chapter 10 (Sign Regulations), Section 1016 (Exemptions) to add an exemption for civic use signs on City Right-of-Way; Proper Notice; and Effective Date; the Penalty Being as Provided in Section 810 of the Zoning Ordinance (No. 0102) of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, Creating a Misdemeanor Punishable by a Fine not to Exceed \$2,000.

A motion was made by Council Member Avila and seconded by Council Member G. Ortega to approve the Ordinance amending the Municipal Code of the Town of Horizon City, Texas, Chapter 14 (Zoning), Exhibit A (Zoning Ordinance), to revise and amend the Following: Chapter 10 (Sign Regulations), Section 1016 (Exemptions) to add an exemption for civic use signs on City Right-of-Way. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

Item #18 was taken after Item #15.

18. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Planning Director

On the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 4 Phase I & II (Case No. SDP25-0006 and SDP25-0007), 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, ESD #1 Fire Chief, Chris Menendez, ESD #1 Fire Marshal Captain, Mike Franco and CEA Group Engineer, Jorge Grajeda spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member Avila to approve the Preliminary Subdivision Plat application for Verdancia Unit 4 Phase I & II (Case No. SDP25-0006 and SDP25-0007). The 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/Planning Director

On the acceptance of the roadway and drainage improvements as constructed with the Desert Breeze Unit 3 subdivision for maintenance and to accept the required maintenance bond and to release the performance bond.

Planning Director, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Gardea to approve the acceptance of the roadway and drainage improvements as constructed with the Desert Breeze Unit 3 subdivision for maintenance and to accept the required maintenance bond and to release the performance bond. The 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 and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On approval for the Mayor or his designee to sign the grant application for the FY-2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program to the Office of the Governor.

Lieutenant, Jaime Crespo spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Avila to approve that the Mayor or his designee to sign the grant application for the FY-2027 Rifle-Resistant Body Armor Grant Program to the Office of the Governor. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

Items #21 & 22 were taken after Item #6

21. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On authorization for the Mayor to sign the FY 2025 (3007411) Operation Stonegarden Grant Interlocal Agreement with El Paso County.

Lieutenant, JC Rodriguez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Quiroz and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to authorize the Mayor to sign the FY 2025 (3007411) Operation Stonegarden Grant Interlocal Agreement with El Paso County. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

22. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

On authorization for the Mayor to sign the FY27 Operation Lone Star (OLS) grant resolution.

Lieutenant, JC Rodriguez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member Avila to authorize the Mayor to sign the FY27 Operation Lone Star (OLS) grant resolution. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

23. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Crisis Intervention Team 2027 Grant Application.

Lieutenant, Kaycee Valdez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Ames to authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Crisis Intervention Team 2027 Grant Application. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

24. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Peace Officer Mental Health Grant Application.

Lieutenant, Kaycee Valdez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Gardea to authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Peace Officer Mental Health Grant Application. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

25. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Safe Neighborhoods Grant Application.

Lieutenant, Kaycee Valdez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Gardea and seconded by Council Member R. Ortega to authorize the Mayor to sign a Grant Resolution for Safe Neighborhoods Grant Application. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

26. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Chief of Police to sign a MOU between HCPD and Carfax for data share purposes.

City Clerk, Elvia Schuller informed Council that staff requested this item be deleted.

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

27. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Police Chief

Approve and authorize the Chief of Police to sign a Memorandum of Understanding and Resolution for our partnership with Public Safety Cadets.

Lieutenant, Kaycee Valdez spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Council Member R. Ortega and seconded by Council Member Avila to approve and authorize the Chief of Police to sign a Memorandum of Understanding and Resolution for our partnership with Public Safety Cadets. The City Clerk polled the council : G. Ortega - Aye, Quiroz – Aye, R. Ortega – Aye, Avila – Aye, Ames – Aye, Gardea – Aye, Mendoza - Absent. Motion Passed.

28. 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 Councilmember Gardea and seconded by Councilmember Avila to adjourn at 8:55 PM.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

Andres Renteria, Mayor