

**MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, April 8, 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, April 8, 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. Council Member Scott Quiroz was absent. Quorum Established.

2. Open Forum:

Alejandro Barrio, Eastwood Hight School Student spoke about their upcoming Spring Festival and Fundraising event. Samuel Scott, Horizon City Golf Course area resident spoke about issues he and other residents are experiencing with golfballs damaging property and vehicles and other safety concerns. Robert Campion of Elite Medical Transport thanked the City Council for the support in allowing Elite to serve the members of the community.

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
3/11/25 Regular City Council Meeting.

4. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Vargas
On a Resolution exercising the Town of Horizon City's option to extend the Emergency Ambulance Services Contract between the City and Elite Medical Transport for an additional term of one year, expiring on March 31, 2026.

5. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Vargas
On approval for the Mayor or his designee to sign the grant application for FY26 for the Crisis Intervention Program to the Office of the Governor.

6. Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:

7. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

Councilwoman Randleel requested Item #5 be pulled from consent and taken under the regular agenda.

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Miller to excuse absent council member Quiroz, pull item #5 from consent and taken under the regular agenda and approve the remainder of the consent agenda. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On approval for the Mayor or his designee to sign the grant application for FY26 for the Crisis Intervention Program to the Office of the Governor.

Asst. Chief, Jose Kluge spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the Mayor or his designee to sign the grant application for FY26 for the Crisis Intervention Program to the Office of the Governor. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

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 Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the update as presented. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

9. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/CIP Manager

On a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and sign an interlocal agreement with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority for the design of the Dilley, Delake and Transit Plaza project in an amount not to exceed \$1,735,000.00.

CIP Manager, Terry Quezada spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Miller to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate and sign an interlocal agreement with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority for the design of the Dilley, Delake and Transit Plaza project in an amount not to exceed \$1,735,000.00. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

10. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/CIP Manager

On a Resolution authorizing staff to submit a TA grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation for the design and construction of a pedestrian mall on Howard Lowe St.

CIP Manager, Terry Quezada spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the resolution authorizing staff to submit a TA grant application to the Texas Department of Transportation for the design and construction of a pedestrian mall on Howard Lowe St. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

11. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Vargas

On a Proclamation declaring April 13 - April 19, 2025 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Communications Manager, Elva Ramos spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the proclamation declaring April 13 - April 19, 2025 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

12. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Vargas

That the Mayor and the Chief of Police be authorized to sign a Mutual Aid and Assistance Interlocal Agreement with the Socorro Independent School District to establish a collaborative framework between the Socorro Independent School District Police Department and the Town of Horizon City Police Department to enhance preparedness and response to mass casualty events, active shooter situations and hostile events.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Mendoza and seconded by Councilwoman Ortega to approve authorizing the Mayor and the Chief of Police to sign a Mutual Aid and Assistance Interlocal Agreement with the Socorro Independent School District to establish a collaborative framework between the Socorro Independent School District Police Department and the Town of Horizon City Police Department to enhance preparedness and response to mass casualty events, active shooter situations and hostile events. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Abstain; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

13. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Planner

On a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute and amended Maintenance Agreement between the Town of Horizon City and the State of Texas acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the maintenance by the City of hike and bike trail and pertinent improvements on FM 1281 (Horizon Boulevard), between Ashford Road and Rifton Court and extending to Anderpont St, approximately.

Chief Planner, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Padilla and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to approve the resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign and execute and amended Maintenance Agreement between the Town of Horizon City and the State of Texas acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, for the maintenance by the City of hike and bike trail and pertinent improvements on FM 1281 (Horizon Boulevard), between Ashford Road and Rifton Court and extending to Anderpont St, approximately. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

14. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Chief Planner

On the **Preliminary Subdivision Plat** applications for **Rancho Desierto Bello Unit 18 (Case No. SDP25-0001)**, legally described as a Portion of Leigh Clark Survey No. 297, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 17.354 acres ±. Application submitted by Applicant/Representative: TRE & Associates.

City Clerk, Elvia Schuller, informed Council that the applicant requested postponement of this item until the next regular council meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Mendoza to postpone this item until the next regular council meeting as requested by the applicant. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

15. **Discussion:**

Mayor/Chief Planner

1st Reading of Ordinance No. _____, an Ordinance vacating a portion of a 60'- foot Right-of-Way and 10' ft Utility Easements on a portion of Lots 1-10, Block 19 and Lots 1-11, Block 22. Horizon Country Club Estates Unit 3, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas; and Providing for Repealer and Severability Clauses.

Chief Planner, Art Rubio spoke regarding this item.

16. **Discussion and Action:**

Mayor/Finance Director

On the approval of the City's Investment Policy for 2025.

Finance Director, Lily Gaytan spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilwoman Randleel to approve the City's Investment Policy for 2025. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Aye; QUIROZ – Absent; ORTEGA – Aye; RANDLEEL – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; MENDOZA – Aye. Motion passed.

17. **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 Councilman Mendoza and seconded by Councilman Miller to adjourn at 6:51 PM.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

Andres Renteria, Mayor