

# HONDO

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## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM  
City Council Chambers  
1600 Avenue M, Hondo, TX

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor John McAnelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### 2. QUORUM CHECK.

Members Present:

Mayor John McAnelly

Mayor Pro Tem Jose "Porky" Ytuarte

Councilmember Brett Williams

Councilmember BJ McCollum

Councilmember Makenna Lange

Councilmember Rachel Ramirez

Members Absent: None

Quorum: ☒ Yes ☐ No

### 3. INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Mayor Anelly.

### 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor McAnelly.

### 5. CITIZENS'/PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Persons who desired to address the City Council were received at this time. Comments were limited to matters permitted under the agenda and applicable law.

Speaker(s): George Adams, Chavel Lopez, Florestela Gonzales

### CONSENT

The Consent Agenda was considered self-explanatory and was presented for approval by one motion, unless removed for separate discussion at the request of the Mayor or a Council Member.

### 6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE JULY 27, 2026, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES. (JULIE SCHNEIDER, CITY SECRETARY)

### 7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF LYNDA HOOKT TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A 3-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)

**8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF THERESA RIVERA TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A 3-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)**

**9. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO APPOINT MICHELE MECHLER TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS FOR A 2-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)**

Motion: Councilmember Ytuarte

Second: Councilmember Lange

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstention(s) **X Motion carried** ☐ Motion failed

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**10. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE AND SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION. (JOHN NARON, CITY MANAGER AND CHRIS HILL, CFO)**

A motion was made by councilman Willimas to take a roll call vote on the proposed property tax rate of 48 cents and set a public hearing on September 14, 2026, at 6 p.m. in the City Hall chambers. Seconded by councilman Ytuarte.

Mayor McAnelly took the roll call vote.

Council Place 1 - Williams, Yes

Council Place 2 - McCollum, Yes

Council Place 3 - Ytuarte, Yes

Council Place 4 - Ramirez, Yes

Council Place 5 - Lange, Yes

**11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING PROPOSED TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA AND AN ORDINANCE ELECTING TO PARTICIPATE IN TAX ABATEMENTS UNDER CHAPTER 312 OF THE TEXAS TAX CODE. (JOHN NARON, CITY MANAGER)**

Discussion Only

**12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 – BUILDING REGULATIONS TO AMEND PROCEDURES FOR ABATEMENT OF SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES. (JOHN NARON, CITY MANAGER)**

Discussion / Presentation:

Council considered an ordinance replacing Article 4.05 (Substandard Buildings or Structures) in Chapter 4 to modernize procedures, shift demolition decisions to the municipal judge, and clarify the role of a designated building official. After brief discussion and a minor wording correction (changing "council" to "judge"), Council approved the ordinance no. 1324-08-26.

Motion: Councilman Williams

Second: Councilman Ytuarte

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstention(s) **X Motion carried** ☐ Motion failed

## **13. ADJOURN.**

There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Motion: Councilmember Williams moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Councilmember Ytuarte seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes 0 nays 0 abstention(s)  
The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
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John McAnelly, Mayor

Date: August 10, 2026

**ATTEST:**

  
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Julie Schneider, City Secretary

Date: August 10, 2026



