



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 24, 2026, at 6:00 PM

City Council Chambers
1600 Avenue M, Hondo, TX

AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a Regular City Council Meeting of the governing body of the City of Hondo will be held August 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall at 1600 Avenue M, Hondo, Texas, for the purpose of discussing matters incident and related to the City of Hondo.

The public may also access the meeting remotely through video/conference from your computer, tablet or smart phone at: <https://boxcast.tv/channel/aetaajdf64jalxx20o9a>. Persons may submit questions or comments for items on the agenda by email to: jschneider@hondo-tx.org. Questions or comments submitted by email must be received by the city at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled start of the meeting in order to be presented to the City Council during the meeting.

The following items will be discussed, to-wit:

1. CALL TO ORDER.
2. QUORUM CHECK.
3. INVOCATION.
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

5. CITIZENS'/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the City of Hondo City Council will be received at this time. Those persons wishing to speak should complete a Public Comment Form and submit it to the City Secretary prior to the meeting. If the speaker wishes to comment on a particular agenda item, then the speaker should indicate such item(s) on the form. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers must conduct themselves in a civil manner. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City of Hondo City Council cannot deliberate or take action on items not listed on the meeting agenda.

CONSENT

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Council Member.

6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 10, 2026, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES. (JULIE SCHNEIDER, CITY SECRETARY)
7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ASHLEY LOWE TO THE HONDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR A 2-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)
8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROGER HERNANDEZ TO THE HONDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR A 2-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)

OTHER BUSINESS

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING THE POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TREE TRIMMING, TREE REMOVAL, AND VEGETATION WITHIN THE CITY OF HONDO. (JOHN MCANELLY, MAYOR)
10. ADJOURN.

I hereby certify that the above Notice of Regular City Council Meeting of the governing body of the City of Hondo was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall, 1600 Avenue M, Hondo, Texas, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times on August 18, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m.

ATTEST:


Julie Schneider
City Secretary



The City Council of the City of Hondo reserves the right to convene in Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code: Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), Section 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), or Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) on any of the above items.

NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS

The City of Hondo City Council Meetings is available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance, contact the City Secretary forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting time at 830-426-3378.

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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: **X 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:

John McAnelly, Mayor

Date: August 10, 2026

ATTEST:

Julie Schneider, City Secretary

Date: August 10, 2026



City Council Communication

Title: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ASHLEY LOWE TO THE HONDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR A 2-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)

Date: August 24, 2026 **From:**

INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

MOTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

STAFF CONTACTS:



City Council Communication

Title: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROGER HERNANDEZ TO THE HONDO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD FOR A 2-YEAR TERM. (MAYOR MCANELLY)

Date: August 24, 2026 **From:**

INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

MOTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

STAFF CONTACTS:



City Council Communication

Title: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING THE POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TREE TRIMMING, TREE REMOVAL, AND VEGETATION WITHIN THE CITY OF HONDO. (JOHN MCANELLY, MAYOR)

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INFORMATION:

Hondo's current code does **not** appear to have a comprehensive private-property tree-trimming ordinance.

However, Hondo already has two important mechanisms:

Tree-trimming debris: A contractor performing tree trimming/pruning or lawn work must remove all brush generated by the work within **48 hours**. Brush also cannot be placed in a street or alley in a manner that obstructs traffic or public access.

Trees as nuisances/obstructions: Hondo's property-maintenance provisions allow the City to address obstructions, including trees, shrubs, bushes and brush, and allow the City to recover abatement expenses through a lien in appropriate circumstances.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

MOTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

STAFF CONTACTS:



City Council Communication

Title: ADJOURN.

Date: August 24, 2026 ***From:***

INFORMATION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

MOTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

STAFF CONTACTS: