

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 6:00PM
City Council Chambers, 1600 Avenue M Hondo, Texas

1. Call to order.

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

2. Quorum check.

Mayor John McAnelly Jr., Councilman Brett Williams, Councilman Joe Claire, Mayor Pro Tem Jose “Porky” Ytuarte, Council Woman Rachel Ramirez, Councilman John E. Villa

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager John Naron, City Attorney Michael McCann, Administrative Assistant to City Manager Stephanie Velasquez, IT Manager Josh Rodriguez, Public Relations & Recreation Director Jamie Kindred, Chief of Police Justin Soza, Director of Aviation Ryan Elder, Development Services Manager Uche Echeozo, Human Resources Manager Michele Thacker

3. Invocation by Pastor Ty Fitzpatrick, God’s Country Fellowship Church.

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) to 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.*

Chavel Lopez, 1002 Avenue S, Hondo, TX

- Parks Department- understaffed and cannot keep up with work load**
- Animal Shelter issues including hostility towards him, access being limited, and tick infestation**

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.

Councilman Ytuarte moved to approve items 6, 7, and 8 on the Consent agenda; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

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6. Consideration and approval for the City Manager to execute the FY 2025 RAMP Grant Agreement and designate John Naron as the City's authorized representative. (Ryan Elder, Director of Aviation)

7. Consideration and approval of Resolution 433-24 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING APPROVAL FOR THE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE HOME PROGRAM THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE RSP HOME (HRA) AGREEMENT. (Jamie Kindred, Director of Public Relations & Recreation)

8. Consideration and approval of Resolution 434-24 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AWARDED BID NO. FH001 FOR HVAC REPLACEMENT-MEDINA COUNTY FAIR HALL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR SUCH SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION RECITALS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (John Naron, City Manager)

OTHER BUSINESS

9. Discuss and consider action on assigning two more School Resource Officers to Hondo ISD campuses. (Council Woman Ramirez and Councilman Williams)

The Mayor emphasized how seriously both the City and the School take safety concerns. Currently, there are two School Resource Officers (SROs). Mr. Ytuarte questioned whether the school had reached out and pointed out that the budget had already been passed, raising concerns about funding. Councilwoman Ramirez asked why the money couldn't be found if it had been budgeted before. Mr. Williams suggested placing an SRO at each school, utilizing existing resources. Mr. Villa noted that it's the school's responsibility to contribute, as state law requires a shared cost. Mr. Naron assured that the City is ready to assist if the school approaches. The Council agreed that the Police Department's presence at school events is greatly appreciated.

The City Council of the City of Hondo convened into Executive Session at 6:28 p.m.

10. Executive Session: The City Council of the City of Hondo may convene in Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code: *Section 551.071(1) (A) and (2) (Consultations with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters);*

A. Discuss amending City of Hondo Police Chief Justin Soza current contract.

The City Council of the City of Hondo reconvened into regular session at 6:43 p.m.

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11. Discuss and consider appropriate action on the items resulting from Executive Session.

Councilman Williams moved to approve the proposed employment agreement with the Chief of Police; seconded by Councilman Villa. Motion passes unanimously.

12. Adjourn.

Councilman Villa moved to adjourn; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

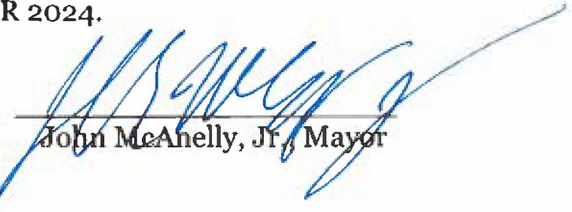
PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2024.

ATTEST:



Stephanie Velasquez
City Manager Administrative Assistant





John McAnelly, Jr., Mayor

ABSENT

Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary