

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, May 12, 2025 @ 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 Mike McCann, City Secretary Rebekah Dolphus, Public Relations & Recreation Director Jamie Kindred, Program Coordinator Alyssa Winkler, Public Works Director Rene Saenz, Wastewater Superintendent Stephen Winters, Electric Superintendent Val Sanchez, Streets Superintendent Adam Zapata, Water Crew Lead Lance Ward, Public Works Administrative Assistant Sam Burns, Police Chief Justin Soza, Development Services Manager Uche Echeozo

3. Invocation by Pastor Beverly Kelling, St. Paul Lutheran 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 Ave S, Hondo, TX 78861

- **Suggested that the Police Department carry bags to pick up dead animals found in the street.**
- **Expressed disappointment that TA Lopez Park remains unchanged, recommended planting trees, and noted that the pavilion has been converted into a basketball court and no longer has tables for seating.**
- **Requested that the City Council consider passing a resolution opposing fracking.**

PROCLAMATIONS

6. Recognize Community Action Month. (Mayor McAnelly)

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7. Recognize Public Works Week. (Rene Saenz, Public Works Director)

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 Williams moved to approve items 8, 9, 10, and 11 on the Consent agenda; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

8. Consideration and acceptance of the 2nd quarter financial report for FY 2025. (Olivia Hancock, Assistant Finance Director & John Naron, City Manager)

9. Consideration and acceptance of the 2nd quarter investment report for FY 2025. (Olivia Hancock, Assistant Finance Director & John Naron, City Manager)

10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1301-05-25 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE ADOPTED ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR PROVIDING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND/OR TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT. (OLIVIA HANCOCK, ASST. FINANCE DIRECTOR & JOHN NARON, CITY MANAGER)

11. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1302-05-25 OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS GRANTING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR THE LOCATION AND OPERATION OF AN AUTO SERVICE BODY AND PAINT REPAIR SHOP ON PROPERTY ZONED AS C – COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 3.12 OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

OTHER BUSINESS

12. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION ON ORDINANCE NO. 1303-05-25 OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS GRANTING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR THE LOCATION AND OPERATION OF A COUNTRY BAR ON PROPERTY ZONED AS C - COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 3.12 OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Villa moved to approve Ordinance No. 1303-05-25; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

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13. Discuss and consider action on authorizing Hondo Police Department Chief of Police to purchase tactical equipment utilizing designated grant funds from Operation Lone Star. (Justin Soza, Chief of Police)

Councilman Ytuarte moved to authorize the Police Chief to purchase requested tactical equipment in the amount of \$89,675.51 to be funded by grant funds; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

14. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 454-25 CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE MAY 03, 2025, GENERAL ELECTION OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS. (REBEKAH DOLPHUS, CITY SECRETARY)

Councilman Villa moved to approve Resolution No. 454-25; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

15. Discuss and consider action on authorizing the City Manager to purchase and install lighting on the soccer fields at the Hondo Sports Complex. (John Naron, City Manager)

Mr. Naron presented a map outlining a plan to light all soccer fields at the Hondo Sports Complex at an estimated cost of \$250,000. The project would be funded using General Fund reserve funds, with materials purchased through BuyBoard.

Councilman Ytuarte moved to authorize the City Manager to purchase from BuyBoard and install lighting on soccer fields at the Hondo Sports Complex in the amount of \$250,000; seconded by Councilman Williams. Motion passes unanimously.

16. Adjourn.

Councilman Villa moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

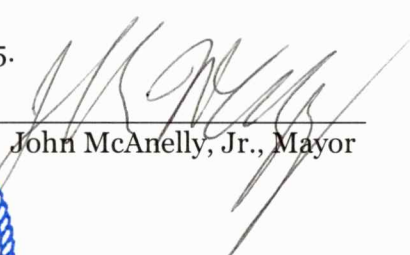
Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23RD DAY OF JUNE 2025.

ATTEST:



Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary



John McAnelly, Jr., Mayor