

MINUTES

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 14, 2025 @ 6:00PM
City Council Chambers, 1600 Avenue M Hondo, Texas

1. Call to order.

Mayor McAnelly called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Quorum check.

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

Absent: Councilman Brett Williams

Staff Present: City Manager John Naron, City Attorney Mike McCann, City Secretary Rebekah Dolphus, IT Manager Josh Rodriguez, Public Relations & Recreation Director Jamie Kindred, Development Services Manager Uche Echeozo

3. Invocation by Pastor Mike Vasquez, First Baptist 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

- **Solar company identified an electricity issue: 270 volts entering the home instead of the standard 240 volts.**
- **Pay raise suggested for City employees to help offset the impact of tariffs.**
- **Council meetings are currently brief with most items placed on the Consent Agenda. There is an interest in adding more discussion items such as a voucher program, affordable housing initiatives, or department head summaries.**

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 6,7,8, and 9 on the Consent agenda; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

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6. Consideration and approval of the March 10, 2025 Regular City Council Minutes. (Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary)

7. Consideration and approval of the March 24, 2025 Regular City Council Minutes. (Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary)

8. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 453-25 OF THE CITY OF HONDO , TEXAS, ("CITY") RESPONDING TO THE APPLICATION OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP., D/B/A CENTERPOINT ENERGY ENTEX AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY TEXAS GAS - SOUTH TEXAS DIVISION (CENTERPOINT), TO INCREASE RATES UNDER THE GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM; SUSPENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RATE APPLICATION FOR FORTY-FIVE DAYS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN A COALITION OF CITIES KNOWN AS THE "ALLIANCE OF CENTERPOINT MUNICIPALITIES (ACM); REQUIRING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS; DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED COMPLIED WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING SUCH OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

9. Consideration and approval of various appointments to Boards and Commissions. (Mayor McAnelly)

Animal Care Services Advisory Board
- Angela Gonzales

OTHER BUSINESS

10. Discuss and consider action on amending and/or canceling future City Council Meeting dates. (John Naron, City Manager)

Councilman Ytuarte moved to cancel May 26, 2025 City Council Meeting; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

11. Present National Fitness Campaign Fitness Court and consider action to apply for a grant. (John Naron, City Manager)

Mr. Naron presented information via PowerPoint and this video:

https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2fwww.nationalfitnesscampaign.com%2fwatch&c=E,1,NzDGzKdygGIDUa4fUlqZ_shGcYZEiDZtILCqrIOQDKODMf-XGx8-t6By5MMNfOFa3svAaj-OTv2P5B6d2vDCz5otEklirez6KLZSloDwkDwXPXMryUWy&typo=1

☐ **Grant opportunity available providing up to \$60,000, with a potential city match of \$150,000. Match funding could potentially be secured through sponsorships from larger local businesses.**

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- ☐ **Site selection to be determined following grant approval.**
- ☐ **No additional staff would be required, as the program operates via cell phone and QR code.**
- ☐ **Councilman Claire expressed support and suggested possible locations near the HISD track or downtown across from the Courthouse for centralized access.**

Councilman Villa moved to authorize the City Manager to apply for the National Fitness Campaign Fitness Court Grant; seconded by Councilman Ytuarte. Motion passes unanimously.

12. Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to begin the process for the sale of Real Property generally located 0.1 miles North of the intersection of Spatz and Castro Ave. on the east side of roadway and more thoroughly described as (John Naron, City Manager):

- A. 192.02 Acre Tract of land situated within the Corporate Limits of the City of Hondo, in Medina County, Texas out of Survey(s):

No. 153, Abstract No. 752, S. Parker, original Grantee, 72.33 Acres

No. 152, Abstract No. 751, S. Parker, original Grantee, .96 Acres

No. 154, Abstract No. 357, L. Essler, original Grantee, 9.49 Acres

No. 155, Abstract No. 358, L. Essler, original Grantee, 109.24 Acres

and being out of a 463.372 Acre Tract conveyed from the United States of America to City of Hondo by deed dated November 13, 1985, and recorded in Volume 23, Page 706 of the Official Records of Medina County, Texas.

Councilman Villa moved to approve the City Manager to begin the process for sale of real property; seconded by Council Woman Ramirez. Motion passes unanimously.

13. Adjourn.

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

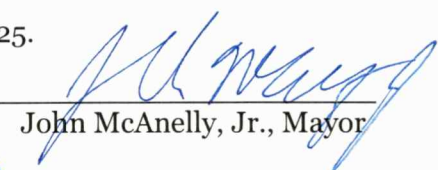
Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF APRIL 2025.

ATTEST:


Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary




John McAnelly, Jr., Mayor