

HONDO

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 24, 2025 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 November 24, 2025 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/aetaajdf64jalxx2009a>
Persons may submit questions or comments for items on the agenda by email to: rdolphus@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.

ANNUAL ELECTION ACTIONS

6. **ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION TO COUNCIL MEMBER ELECT PLACE 2 BENJAMIN "BJ" MCCOLLUM. (REBEKAH DOLPHUS, CITY SECRETARY)**

7. **ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO COUNCIL MEMBER ELECT PLACE 2 BENJAMIN "BJ" MCCOLLUM. (REBEKAH DOLPHUS, CITY SECRETARY)**

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.

8. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 471-25 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE HONDO POLICE DEPARTMENT - BULLET-RESISTANT COMPONENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES GRANT. (JUSTIN SOZA, CHIEF OF POLICE)**

OTHER BUSINESS

9. **DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 472-25 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, CASTING VOTES TO ELECT DIRECTORS FOR THE MEDINA CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT FOR THE 2026-2027 TERM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
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 November 18, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:


Rebekah Dolphus
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.



CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a general election held
on

The 4th of November 2025

*Benjamin “BJ”
McCollum*

was duly elected

City of Hondo
City Council Member Place 2

In testimony whereof, I have
hereunto signed my name and
caused the Seal of Hondo to be
affixed at the City of Hondo,
this the 24th day of November, 2025.

John McAnelly, Presiding
Officer of City Council,
City of Hondo



OATH OF OFFICE

In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

I, **Benjamin "BJ" McCollum**, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully execute the duties of the office of **Council Member Place 2** of the City of Hondo, State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and Laws of the United States and of this State and the Charter and ordinances of this City; and I furthermore solemnly swear (or affirm), that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered, promised to pay, contributed, or promised to contribute any money, or thing of value, or promised any public office or employment for the giving or withholding of a vote at the election at which I was elected or as a reward to secure my appointment or confirmation, whichever the case may be, so help me God.

Signature of Affiant

State of Texas
County of Medina
City of Hondo

Sworn and subscribed before me this 24th day of November, 2025.

Signature of Officer Administering Oath

Printed or Typed Name



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City Council Communication

Title: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 471-25 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE HONDO POLICE DEPARTMENT - BULLET-RESISTANT COMPONENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES GRANT. (JUSTIN SOZA, CHIEF OF POLICE)

Date: November 24, 2025 **From:** Justin Soza

INFORMATION:

The Hondo Police Department is requesting authorization to apply for \$205,502 in grant funding from the State of Texas formally named, FY2026 Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles Grant Program. Staff is asking council to issue a resolution authorizing the same. Staff is also requesting authorization for Mayor McAnelly and Chief Soza to execute the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office-CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurance form. This grant does not require any matching funds if approved.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None, this funding opportunity has zero match requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize staff to apply for grant funding from the State of Texas formally named, FY2026 Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles Grant Program and to issue a resolution of the same, and to allow Mayor McAnelly and Chief Soza to execute the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office-CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurance form

MOTION:

I make a motion to Authorize staff to apply for grant funding from the State of Texas formally named, FY2026 Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles , issue a resolution of the same.

I make a motion to allow Mayor McAnelly and Chief Soza to execute the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office-CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurance form for grant funding from the State of Texas formally named, FY2026 Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 471-25 BULLET-RESISTANT VEHICLE COMPONENTS GRANT APP

STAFF CONTACTS:

Chief Soza

RESOLUTION NO. 471-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE HONDO POLICE DEPARTMENT – BULLET-RESISTANT COMPONENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, The Hondo City Council finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Hondo, Texas that The Hondo Police Department – Bullet-resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles Grant Program be operated from September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, The Hondo City Council agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The Hondo City Council assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

WHEREAS, The Hondo City Council designates Justin Soza, Chief of Police, as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

WHEREAS, The Hondo City Council designates Assistant Chief Aaron Garza as the Project Director.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS THAT;

HONDO CITY COUNCIL APPROVES SUBMISSION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE HONDO POLICE DEPARTMENT – BULLET-RESISTANT COMPONENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES GRANT PROGRAM TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR. **GRANT NO: 5653601**

Passed and approved this 24th day of November, 2025.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Rebekah Dolphus, City Secretary

John McAnelly Jr., Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 472-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, CASTING VOTES TO ELECT DIRECTORS FOR THE MEDINA CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT FOR THE 2026-2027 TERM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, SB 469 Section 6.03 (g) requires that each taxing unit entitled to vote should cast their vote by resolution and submit to the Chief Appraiser of Medina County by December 1, 2025.

WHEREAS, the City of Hondo is a taxing unit that is entitled to cast votes for the Board of Directors of the Medina Central Appraisal District; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council of the City of Hondo to vote for candidate(s) who are qualified individual(s) for election to the Board of Directors for the 2026-2027 term;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City of Hondo submits the Official Ballot, as issued by the Chief Appraiser, stating our vote for candidate(s) for the election of the Board of Directors for the Medina Central Appraisal District.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or their designee is authorized to submit this nomination to the Chief Appraiser of the Medina Central Appraisal District in accordance with applicable laws and deadlines.

SECTION 3. OPEN MEETINGS. It is officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

SECTION 4. PUBLIC PURPOSE. The City Council declares that the Resolution is in the public interest and is necessary for the good government, peace, and order of the municipality.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24th day of November, 2025.

By: _____
JOHN MCANELLY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

REBEKAH DOLPHUS, CITY SECRETARY

MEDINA CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT
1410 AVE K
HONDO, TX 78861

OFFICIAL BALLOT

OCTOBER 22, 2025

ISSUED TO CITY OF HONDO

TO ELECT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR MEDINA CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT 2026-2027

DIRECTIONS: PLEASE ENTER THE NUMBER OF VOTES CAST ON THE
BLANK SPACE OPPOSITE THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE.
YOU MAY CAST ALL OF YOUR VOTES FOR ONE CANDIDATE
OR YOU MAY DIVIDE YOUR VOTES AMONG ANY NUMBER
OF THE CANDIDATES THAT YOU DESIRE. YOU HAVE
125 TOTAL VOTES THAT YOU MAY CAST.

NAMES OF CANDIDATES:

1. GALM, HAROLD “BUTCH”
2. JACOBS, JODY
3. MACON, CHIP
4. MALONE, CYNTHIA
5. MARSH, STEWART
6. SEGOVIA, CINDY

Johnette Dixon, RTA, RPA, CTA, CCA
Chief Appraiser
Medina CAD