



**City Council
Regular Council Meeting
July 15, 2025**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Presidio, Texas will hold a Regular City Council meeting, **at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at the Presidio Activity Center, (PAC) 1200 East O'Reilly St, in the City of Presidio, Texas** for the purpose of considering the attached agenda. This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. (Section 551.043, Texas Government Code).

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1. Call meeting to order
2. Quorum Check
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Public Comments *(Comments are limited only to matters that are not included in any item that has been posted on the agenda. Speakers are limited to a maximum of five minutes per speaker. Before addressing the City Council each speaker will state their name and address clearly before making comments).*
5. Department Reports
6. Approve Prior Minutes for:
 - a. Regular Meeting July 17, 2025
 - b. Special Called Meeting June 23, 2025
7. City of Presidio Business (New/Old)
 - a. Discussion / action on a presentation by Robert Tijerina Financial Advisor regarding the procurement of funding for the City of Presidio capital outlay needs.
 - b. Discussion / action to Ms. Monica Dominguez declaring her support and the City Council approving Resolution 2025-06R supporting HAZMAT certification of the border crossings of Presidio, Texas and Ojinaga, Chihuahua.
 - c. Discussion / action on presentation for an Off Road Rally on October 18, 2025.
 - d. Discussion / action to request and designate a place for anyone that wishes to donate items to the Texas communities of Tom Green County and Kerr County affected by the flooding, and have the City of Presidio Police Department or Fire Department to deliver the donations.
 - e. Discussion / action to approve and adopt the final reading of Ordinance 2025-7 City of Presidio Short-Term Rental.
 - f. Discussion / action to review and accept the Slack Building bid from a submitted RFP.
 - g. Discussion / action to update on the Exceed Geothermal Energy project in partnership with the Presidio Municipal Development District.
 - h. Discussion / action on amending Ordinance 2022-5 to adding fees for recreational use of the Presidio Activity Center gym.

- i. Discussion / action to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Dispatch Services between the City of Presidio and Presidio County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center in the amount of \$1500 per month.
- j. Discussion / action on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 application Contract for Engineering Services.
 - 1. Project status.
 - 2. Other grant matters
- k. Discussion / action on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Amendment to Project Scope.
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- l. Discussion / action on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 Project Status.
 - 1. Other grant matters
- m. Discussion / action on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds) Project Status.
 - 1. Other grant matters
- 8. Administrative Updates (NO ACTION)
 - a. City Administrator's Report
 - b. City Mayor's Report
 - c. City Council Report
- 9. Adjourn

I certify that the above notice of regular city council meeting was posted in the display case near the front entrance of City Hall on or before July 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. and at the display case near the door of the Presidio Activity Center located at 1200 E. O'Reilly St, Presidio, Texas on or before July 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. I further certify that this agenda was also posted in the City of Presidio website www.presidiotx.us – Council Meeting & Updates on or before July 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.



Brenda Lee Acuña
City Secretary

All items on the agenda are for discussion and or action by the Presidio City Council. The Presidio City Council Reserves the Right to Adjourn Into Executive Session at Any Time During the Course of this Meeting to Discuss Any of the Matters Listed Above, as Authorized by the Texas Government Code including, but not limited to, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), 551.087 (Economic Development) and 418.183 (Deliberations about Homeland Security Issues) Council will make a tape recording of the proceedings of a closed meeting to deliberate this information. This facility is wheelchair accessible and parking spaces are available. Request for accommodations must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact City Hall at 432 229-3517, FAX 432 229-3505, or email hornelas@presidiotx.us for further information.



Regular Council Meeting Minutes,
July 15, 2025

1. **Call meeting to order:** Mayor Ferguson called the Regular City Council meeting for July 15, 2025 at the Presidio Activity Center into order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Quorum Check:** City Secretary checked for quorum.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
John Ferguson	Mayor	Present	
Cristian Montoya	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Bianca Martinez-Bailon	Council member	Present	
Silverio Escontrias	Council member	Present	
Fernando Juarez	Council member	Present	
Juan R. Saenz	Council member	Present	
Pablo Rodriguez	City Administrator	Present	
Brenda Acuña	City Secretary	Present	
Glorissel Muñoz	Deputy City Secretary	Present	

3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilman Juarez led pledge of allegiance.
4. **Recognize and Welcome Visitors – 5 minutes**

Public Comment is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the City Council regarding agenda and non-agenda items. Please be aware that, under Texas Law, the Council may not deliberate or take any action during Citizen's comments for items not on the agenda. In some situations, City Staff may be able to respond to the public comments with a factual statement or clarification. The City Council may have the item placed on a future agenda for action or refer the item to Management and Staff for study or conclusion.

Mayor Ferguson welcomed public and City of Presidio staff to the regular meeting on July 15, 2025 at the Presidio Activity Center and opened floor for any visitor to address the City Council for five minutes. Mr. Jose Acosta commented on the property across from the 67 Convenience store that is for sale, rent, or lease for the city's consideration.

5. **Department Reports –** Councilmembers discussed various issues within the department reports.
6. **Approve Prior Minutes for:**

- a. **Regular Meeting June 17, 2025 (Correction from July)**

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to approve prior City Council regular meeting minutes for June 17, 2025 as presented.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 4-0 1 abstained

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon Abstained

- b. **Special Called Meeting June 23, 2025**

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to approve prior City Council special-called meeting minutes for June 23, 2025 as presented.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

7. New Business

- a. Discussion / action on a presentation by Robert Tijerina Financial Advisor regarding the procurement of funding for the City of Presidio capital outlay needs.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Thomas Lastrapes made a presentation regarding the Certificate of Obligation for the City of Presidio and what it entails to obtain the certificate and next week there will be a complete detail on the payments and other information for the Certificate of Obligation. Mr. Dan Martinez also shared some background on the details for obtaining a certificate and the requirements under the law. Mr. Pablo Rodriguez informed the City Council of the list for the certificate. City Council would like to have a detailed listing at the special meeting of new verses used on the machinery for the city.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moves to approve with a Special City Council meeting on Monday to discuss the next step for the Certificate of Obligation.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

- b. Discussion / action to Ms. Monica Dominguez declaring her support and the City Council approving Resolution 2025-06R supporting HAZMAT certification of the border crossings of Presidio, Texas and Ojinaga, Chihuahua.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Monica Dominguez reported once more the request to support the HAZMAT certifications for the border crossings of hazardous material at the Presidio Port of Entry and Ojinaga, Chihuahua Aduana. Mrs. Dominguez presented the Mondo Imports, LLC hazardous materials handling and community safety plan. Councilman Juarez had previously requested to have this item tabled at the last meeting. He had requested to reach out to emergency services personal. Councilman Juarez reached out to Fire Chief Pardo for his concerns. Fire Chiefs concerns were training and equipment. These concerns have been addressed sufficiently.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve Resolution 2025-06R supporting HAZMAT certification of the border crossings of Presidio, Texas and Ojinaga, Chihuahua.

Councilman Saenz seconds the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

- c. Discussion / action on presentation for an Off Road Rally on October 18, 2025.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Alejandro Armendariz presented an Off Road Rally for the weekend in October to coincide with the Santa Teresa de Jesus Church festival. He asked about the requirements to have ATVs and Razor Vehicles on city streets. Chief of Police Adan Covos stated that the law only requires that the ATVs and Razor Vehicles are street legal and does not require City Council action. Mr. Armendariz stating this event would have many visitors to the city and promoting more sales inside the city.

ACTION: No action

- d. Discussion / action to request and designate a place for anyone that wishes to donate items to the Texas communities of Tom Green County and Kerr County affected by the flooding, and have the City of Presidio Police Department or Fire Department to deliver the donations.**

DISCUSSION: Councilman Montoya requested to have donations to the areas in Texas affected by the floods. Mr. Pablo Rodriguez stated that Kerr County was looking for monetary help and that they have received more than enough donations of food, clothes, etc. Mr. Ramon Rodriguez, Big Bend Conservation Alliance, stated that he had been at the Kerrville sight volunteering and that the County Chairs provided a link for the community fund.

ACTION: No action

- e. **Discussion / action to approve and adopt the final reading of Ordinance 2025-7 City of Presidio Short-Term Rental.**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that this is the final reading for this long awaited ordinance and all requirements are met.

ACTION: Councilman Escontrias moved to approve and adopt the final reading of Ordinance 2025-7 City of Presidio Short-Term Rental.

Councilman Juarez seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

- f. **Discussion / action to review and accept the Slack Building bid from a submitted RFP.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Irma Juarez, Presidio Convention and Visitor's Bureau Treasurer, presented the bid for the Slack Building form Triple J in the amount of \$29,163 as it was the only bid received.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to accept and award the Slack Building bid to Triple J, Isaias Gamboa. Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

- g. **Discussion / action to update on the Exceed Geothermal Energy project in partnership with the Presidio Municipal Development District.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Tim Tarver, Exceed Geothermal Energy CEO and Nasikul Islam, Drilling Manager gave a presentation of the geothermal energy project to the City Council. Mr. Islam stated that the vision is to produce clean smart energy. This project is in partnership with the Presidio Municipal Development District.

ACTION: No action

- h. **Discussion / Action on amending Ordinance 2022-5 to adding fees for recreational use of the Presidio Activity Center gym.**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson discussed the adding of fees for recreational use of the PAC gym. Mayor Ferguson stated there are many organizations wanting to use the gym City Council recommended having Mr. Elvis Medina, Recreational Direct, to organize and prioritize the schedule for the PAC gym use accordingly to make sure every one has the opportunity to have their time slotted correctly.

ACTION: No action

- i. **Discussion / Action to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Dispatch Services between the City of Presidio and Presidio County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center in the amount of \$1500 per month.**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated this agreement is a yearly occurrence.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Dispatch Services between the City of Presidio and Presidio County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center in the amount of \$1500 per month.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

- j. **Discussion / Action on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 application Contract for Engineering Services.**
 - 1. **Project status.**
 - 2. **Other grant matters**

DISCUSSION: Pablo, Cesar, and Becky met with Wilson and Company to finalize the contract and define the scope of work required for the project. Another meeting is scheduled for next week. Wilson and Company will have the basic plan for the project to submit to TDA prior to the August 1 deadline. Once TDA approves the basic plan, the final application will be completed by the October 1 deadline.

ACTION: No action.

- k. **Discussion / action on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Amendment to Project Scope.**
 - 1. **Project Status.**
 - 2. **Other grant matters**

DISCUSSION: The project will require an amendment to remove the drainage portion of the project from the scope of work. We are coordinating with TDA on this process. Once everything is in order, we will have the council approve the amendment. I am waiting on the signed contract from Skinner in order to set up the preconstruction conference. I am also waiting on the Build America-Buy America forms that Ramon is supposed to get from the contractor as well as some other information that has to be uploaded to TDA. The temporary project signage has been erected.

ACTION: No action.

- l. **Discussion / action on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 Project Status.**
 - 1. **Other grant matters**

DISCUSSION: We are still waiting on the contract from TDA. In the meantime, the Financial Management Services report has been submitted. I have also started on the environmental review process.

ACTION: No action.

- m. **Discussion / action on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds) Project Status.**
 - 1. **Other grant matters**

DISCUSSION: No change. We are still waiting on the delivery of the materials that were ordered, and for the contractor to provide the bonds. Someone from the City should check on the expected delivery date for the materials just to make sure we stay on schedule.

ACTION: No action.

8. Administrative Updates (NO ACTION)

- a. **City Administrator Report** – City Administrator reported on a meeting with Wilson & Company on the closing of the city's landfill and opening the new one. The closing of the landfill will consist of 2 ½ to 3 years and to open the new one will take 5-6 years to open. Finance Director is working on the preliminary budget for the city. The city is collecting old tires from business and making sure, they will comply with the disposal of tires going forward.
- b. **City Mayor Report** – Mayor Ferguson reported on the annual meeting for the Rio Grande Council of Governments to be held on September 26 and will not be available to attend. Mayor Ferguson requested that someone from the City to attend. Thanked the City Council for their participation.
- c. **City Council Report** – Councilman Montoya reported on the 4th of July event and it was a great event. Mrs. Irma Juarez commented on the Viva Big Bend event to be celebrated on the last Friday of the month.

9. Adjourn

DISCUSSION: There being no further business for the City Council Mayor Ferguson adjourned the regular City of Presidio meeting for July 15, 2025 at 9:36 p.m.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to adjourn the regular City of Presidio meeting for July 15, 2025 at 9:36 p.m.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

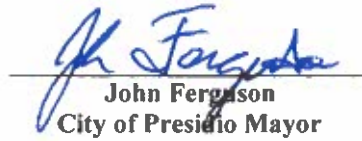
Motion Carried Unanimously 5-0

CITY OF PRESIDIO, TEXAS

ATTEST:



Brenda Lee Acuña
City Secretary


John Ferguson
City of Presidio Mayor