



**City Council
Regular Council Meeting
December 8, 2025**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Presidio, Texas will hold a Regular City Council meeting, at **4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 8, 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 – November 2025
6. Discussion / action to approve Prior Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting for November 10, 2025.
7. City of Presidio Business (New/Old)
 - a. Discussion / action for the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Public Hearing for Grant Amendment.
 - b. Discussion / action for the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Resolution approving for Grant Amendment.
 - c. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) project status and other grant matters.
 - d. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 project status and other grant matters.
 - e. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 project status and other grant matters.
 - f. Discussion / action on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds) Lift Station No. 3 to approve Change Order No. 1, Project status and other grant matters.
 - g. Discussion / action regarding designation of a Film Friendly Texas Certified Community Liaison for the City of Presidio and consideration of appointing Mr. Charles Angell to serve in this role.
 - h. Discussion / action to consider and approve proposal by Elvira Hermosillo for “Make Presidio Beautiful” campaign.
 - i. Discussion / action regarding construction of outdoor basketball court on city property.
 - j. Discussion / action to consider contracting an attorney to handle Municipal Court cases.
 - k. Discussion / action to approve Resolution 2025-16R the allocation of 518 votes to one or several nominees for the Board of Directors of the Presidio County Appraisal District.

- l. Discussion / action to consider including Presidio Proposed Landfill Initial Assessment cost, \$44,400.00, to pending certificate of obligation.
- m. Discussion / action to consider including Presidio Ground Water Quality Technical Report cost, \$46,024.00, to the pending certificate of obligation.
- n. Discussion/ action to authorize AEP to prepare a lighting study / presentation to upgrade the City of Presidio street lighting layout.

8. 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 three working days December 2, 2025 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 three working days December 2, 2025. I further certify that this agenda was also posted in the City of Presidio website www.presidiotx.us – Council Meeting & Updates – Agenda & Meetings on or before three working days December 2, 2025.



Brenda Lee Ornelas-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 bornelas@presidiotx.us for further information.



Regular Council Meeting Minutes,
December 8, 2025

- 1. **Call meeting to order:** Mayor Ferguson called the Regular City Council meeting for December 8, 2025 at the Presidio Activity Center into order at 4:04 p.m.
- 2. **Quorum Check:** City Secretary verified quorum.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
John Ferguson	Mayor	Present
Cristian Montoya	Mayor Pro Tem	Not 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 Muñiz	Deputy City Secretary	Present

- 3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilman Saenz 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 December 8, 2025 at the Presidio Activity Center and opened floor for any visitor to address the City Council for five minutes. Mrs. Arian Velazquez-Ornelas and Mr. John Kennedy, PMDD Executive Director publicly commented on the Upper Rio Grande Council of Governments comprehensive economic development plan. This plan is to search for available economic projects and grants that would be beneficial to the City of Presidio. They submitted four projects for their consideration to the Rio Grande Council of Governments. Ms. Peggy O'Brian from the Rio Grande Council of Governments also commented on the available projects for rural communities. Mr. Carlos Nieto commented on the hazardous material concern with the city's railroad way opening. He suggested that the city begin preparations with training and other elements to help with the concerns of the reopening of the railroad.

- 5. **Department Reports**
- 6. **Discussion / action to approve Prior Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting for November 10, 2025.**

DISCUSSION: No discussion.

ACTION: Councilman Escontrias moved to approve the Prior Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting for November 10, 2025 as presented.

Councilman Juarez seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

7. New Business

a. **Discussion / action for the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Public Hearing for Grant Amendment.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Becky Brewster commented that this was for the water and drainage improvements public hearing for grant amendment. The public hearing was to obtain input on the following proposed amendment to the TDA contract. This is to amend the scope of the project. To amend the performance statement to remove the drainage improvements component in its entirety and to remove the purchase and installation of the generator, and to amend the budget to move the drainage, and amend the timeline to extend the date the contract ends. No public discussion.

ACTION: No action to public hearing.

b. **Discussion / action for the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Resolution approving for Grant Amendment.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster stated that the resolution provided in the packet is for the City Council to authorize a submission of the amendment No 1 as discussed in the public hearing. This is to amend the scope of the project. To amend the performance statement to remove the drainage improvements component in its entirety and to remove the purchase and installation of the generator, and to amend the budget to move the drainage, and amend the timeline to extend the date the contract ends.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) Resolution approving for Grant Amendment.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

c. **Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) project status and other grant matters.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster reported that no bids were received for the electrical components. The engineer, Mr. Ramon Carrasco, will obtain quotes for the electrical work to complete the project.

ACTION: No action.

d. **Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 project status and other grant matters.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster updated that the engineers are in the design stage. The environmental assessment is in progress.

ACTION:

e. **Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 project status and other grant matters.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster stated that the preliminary meetings with the state and they have come down to do their on-site visits. The final contract has not been submitted for signing but are proceeding with the environmental study. This is the grant to replace all the valves.

ACTION: No action.

- f. **Discussion / action on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds) Lift Station No. 3 to approve Change Order No.1, Project status and other grant matters.**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster stated that the engineer Mr. Ramon Carrasco of Kleinman Engineers submitted this. This change order No. 1 is extending the contract date with Tri-Temp Electric for the Lift Station No. 3. There is a certain amount of days to complete this project, but the parts for the lift station finally arrived and that is what was holding back the project. Therefore, this change order extends their days to get it completed until December 2026.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the Change Order No. 1 to extend until December 2026 for the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds) Lift Station No. 3.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- g. **Discussion / action regarding designation of a Film Friendly Texas Certified Community Liaison for the City of Presidio and consideration of appointing Mr. Charles Angell to serve in this role.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. John Kennedy, PMDD, stated that the previous Film Friendly Texas Certified Community Liaison Mr. Newton was no longer in the role and suggested to designate Mr. Charlie Angell as the liaison. Mr. Angell stated he would serve as a volunteer liaison. He also informed the City Council of his qualification for the role.

ACTION: Councilman Escontrias moved to designate Mr. Charles Angell as the Film Friendly Texas Certified Community Liaison for the City of Presidio.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- h. **Discussion / action to consider and approve proposal by Elvira Hermsillo for “Make Presidio Beautiful” campaign.**

DISCUSSION: Ms. Elvira Hermsillo approached the City Council with the campaign to “Make Presidio Beautiful”. Ms. Hermsillo informed the City Council of the cleanup improvements that were completed by the Public Works employees. She commented on the next phase is to contact the local stores and request that they keep their parking lots clean, and to place a trash can with a lid outside their store. In addition, Ms. Hermsillo will request the community to keep their yards clean, and encourage them to pick up trash around them. The last phase would be to do another community trash clean up by the Middle School. Ms. Hermsillo stated she would provide posters to the community and place them around town to inform everyone to not litter around town. The posters will be in Spanish and English.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the next phases to “Make Presidio Beautiful” and she has the full support of the City of Presidio and City Council.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- i. **Discussion / action regarding construction of outdoor basketball court on city property.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Carlos Nieto stated that this idea by many of the community and he is there presenting Mr. Miguel Hernandez from La Panaderia de Don Jose. Mr. Nieto informed the City Council of the proposal of constructing an outdoor basketball court on the city’s property area near the Aquatic Center. Mr. Nieto stated that the basketball court would be constructed with fund raising monies at no cost to the city. The city would only need to provide the area for the construction of the outdoor basketball court. This would provide a place for the public youth to congregate for their enjoyment.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve the beginning of the process regarding the construction of the outdoor basketball court on city property.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

j. Discussion / action to consider contracting an attorney to handle Municipal Court cases.

DISCUSSION: Municipal Court Judge, Viviana Cataño, informed that this item was touched when it was budget season. Judge Cataño stated to go out for bids to contract an attorney to handle the Municipal Court cases and that it would be less expensive to contract than to utilize the city attorneys. Judge Cataño said there were several pending cases that needed to be resolved.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve to go out for bids to contracting an attorney to handle Municipal Court cases.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

k. Discussion / action to approve Resolution 2025-16R the allocation of 518 votes to one or several nominees for the Board of Directors of the Presidio County Appraisal District.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson recommended to allocate all 518 votes to Councilman Juarez.

ACTION: Councilman Saenz moved to approve Resolution 2025-16R and allocate 518 votes to Councilman Juarez for his nomination to the Board of Directors of the Presidio County Appraisal District.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 3-0 | Abstained

Councilman Juarez abstained

l. Discussion / action to consider including Presidio Proposed Landfill Initial Assessment cost, \$44,400.00, to pending certificate of obligation.

DISCUSSION: City Administrator Rodriguez informed that City Council this is something that needs to be considered due to the life span of the current landfill is ending. The initial assessment cost of \$44,400.00 would be added to the pending certificate of obligation for the City of Presidio.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve including Presidio Proposed Landfill Initial Assessment cost, \$44,400.00, to the pending Certificate of Obligation.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

m. Discussion / action to consider including Presidio Ground Water Quality Technical Report cost, \$46,024.00, to the pending certificate of obligation.

DISCUSSION: Previously discussed line item l.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve including the Presidio Ground Water Quality Technical Report cost, \$46,024.00 to the pending Certificate of Obligation.

- n. **Discussion / action to authorize AEP to prepare a lighting study / presentation to upgrade the City of Presidio street lighting layout.**

DISCUSSION: Ms. Elvira Hermosillo commented that she spoke to Mr. Steven Hummel from the McDonald Observatory. She let Mr. Hummel know of the concerns with the ordinance and the city street lighting. Mr. Hummel stated that he is in talks with AEP to install lights that are brighter for the city streets that fall within the ordinance.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to authorize the Mayor to contact AEP and approach AEP to prepare a lighting study to upgrade the City of Presidio street lighting layout without restrictions.
Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

8. Adjourn

DISCUSSION: There being no further business for the City Council Mayor Ferguson adjourned the regular City of Presidio meeting for December 8, 2025 at 6:17 p.m.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to adjourn the regular City of Presidio meeting for December 8, 2025 at 6:17 p.m.
Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

CITY OF PRESIDIO, TEXAS



John Ferguson
City of Presidio Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Lee Acuña
City Secretary

