



**City Council
Regular Council Meeting
January 26, 2026**

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, January 26, 2026 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 – *For review only*
6. City of Presidio Business (New/Old)
 - a. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) project status and other grant matters. – Mrs. Becky Brewster
 - b. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 project status and other grant matters. – Mrs. Becky Brewster
 - c. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 project status. – Mrs. Becky Brewster
 1. Other grant matters.
 - d. Discussion / action / update on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds). – Mrs. Becky Brewster
 1. Project status
 2. Other grant matters.
 - e. Discussion / Presentation of architectural plans for the new Big Bend Hospital District Presidio Health Center.
 - f. Discussion / action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Presidio EMS Services with Presidio County. Presenter Deidre Hisler-Presidio County Commissioner: Precinct 1.
 - g. Discussion / action to approve Ordinance 2026-1 Order of General Election and Notice of General Election for the City of Presidio.
 - h. Discussion / action to approve Ordinance 2026-2 Change the Time Change for City Council meeting.
 - i. Discussion / action on second and final reading of Ordinance 2026-3 on amended Dark Sky ordinance.
 - j. Discussion / action to consider appointment of Mr. Jiovannie Escontrias to the Presidio Municipal Development District Board open seat.

- k. Discussion / action regarding the Game Room Ordinance for the City of Presidio.
- l. Discussion / action regarding filming requests on the City of Presidio property from Ms. Sarah Eckenroth, MXR Films.
- m. Discussion / action to consider approval of quote for Electrical Work for Water Well #8 on the TXCDBG Project No. CDB23-0300.
- n. Discussion / action to consider approval of Change order No. 1 for Water Well #8 on the TxCDBG Project No. CDB23-0300.
- o. Update on the Presidio, Texas Geothermal ongoing and upcoming projects for the 1st quarter of calendar year 2026.
- p. Discussion / action to separate the current roles of the City Secretary and Human Resources.
 - 1. Adjourn into executive session as Authorized by the Texas Government Code including, but not limited to section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) 6p.
 - 2. Reconvene into open session and take such action as appropriate.

7. 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 January 20, 2026 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 January 20, 2026. 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 January 20, 2026.



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,
January 26, 2026

1. **Call meeting to order:** Mayor Ferguson called the Regular City Council meeting for January 26, 2026 at the Presidio Activity Center into order at 4:03 p.m.
2. **Quorum Check:** City Secretary verified 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	Not Present	
Pablo Rodriguez	City Administrator	Present	
Brenda Acuña	City Secretary	Present	
Glorissel Muñiz	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 January 26, 2026 at the Presidio Activity Center and opened floor for any visitor to address the City Council for five minutes. Mr. John Kennedy, PMDD Executive Director, commented on their board amending the PMDD By-Laws. Mr. Osvaldo Acosta, Mr. Jaime Acosta, and Mr. Osvaldo Acosta Jr., approached the City Council with their concern for the city's firework ordinance that is risking the kids that ride their bikes to the outside city limits and risking their lives to purchase fireworks. They requested to have it on the agenda at the next regular meeting. Mr. Steven Hummel, from the McDonald Observatory, invited the Mayor and City Council to visit the observatory during the night for stargazing and tour the facilities. The invitation is to frame the Dark Sky conversation. Ms. Lynnette Brehm, Hospital District Director, informed that they will hosting a town hall next month, to talk about the funding coming to Texas rural areas from the Big Beautiful Bill for the rural hospital districts. The town hall is to ask the public on their feedback on how the funding should be spent.

5. **Department Reports - For review only.**
6. **New Business**
 - a. **Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV23-0300 (Water and Drainage Improvements) project status and other grant matters. – Mrs. Becky Brewster**

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Becky Brewster, Grant Administrator, stated that TDA approved the amendment request that moved the monies from the drainage improvement project to the water project. They also did the change order to remove the electrical from Skinner Drilling due to them not bidding on its entirety. This caused the project to be extended until September 30, 2026. Mrs. Brewster informed the City Council and Mayor that the quote for this electrical work that was removed from Skinners bid. She will need to request a clearance through the system of award management before the contract may be awarded. If the City Council accepts the quote, make sure they accept pending the system award management review in order to award the contract.

ACTION: No action.

b. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 project status and other grant matters. – Mrs. Becky Brewster

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Becky Brewster stated that next Monday they would be meeting with engineers to present conceptual designs to the project team to narrow it down and decide exactly where to go with the project.

ACTION: No action.

c. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 project status. – Mrs. Becky Brewster
1. Other grant matters.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster informed the City Council that this grant is the one to replace water valves and the pressure-reducing valve into the city. The start date for the project will be February 1st and they are in the process of the grant agreement.

ACTION: No action.

d. Discussion / action/ update on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds). – Mrs. Becky Brewster
1. Project status
2. Other grant matters.

DISCUSSION: No update from Mrs. Brewster at this time.

ACTION: No action.

e. Discussion / Presentation of architectural plans for the new Big Bend Hospital District Presidio Health Center.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Lynette Brehm, Big Bend Hospital District, presented the architectural plans for the new Big Bend Hospital District health center to be constructed in Presidio, next to the Presidio Activity Center.

f. Discussion / action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Presidio EMS Services with Presidio County. Presenter Deidre Hisler-Presidio County Commissioner: Precinct 1.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Deidre Hisler, Presidio County Commissioner, stated that the county has been working on a rural ambulance grant with the State Comptroller's office. In order to submit the grant application they need an Interlocal agreement between Presidio County, City of Presidio, and City of Marfa to submit to the Comptroller's office along with the grant application. The agreement was drafted by the Presidio County Attorney and needs to be submitted no later than January 30, 2026.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Presidio EMS Services with Presidio County pending the corrections and modification of the interlocal agreement language and authorize City Administrator Pablo Rodriguez to work with the Presidio County Attorney.
Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.
Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

g. Discussion / action to approve Ordinance 2026-1 Order of General Election and Notice of General Election for the City of Presidio.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that this is was the ordinance to Order Election for the City of Presidio.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to approve Ordinance 2026-1 Order of General Election and Notice of General Election for the City of Presidio.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

h. Discussion / action to approve Ordinance 2026-2 Change the Time Change for City Council meeting.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated this ordinance is to change the City Council meetings from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm to begin February.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve Ordinance 2026-2 Change the Time Change for City Council meeting.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

i. Discussion / action on second and final reading of Ordinance 2026-3 on amended Dark Sky ordinance.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that we had come into agreement and all that is needed to approve the second reading to be adopted into law.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to approve and adopt the second and final reading of Ordinance 2026-3 on amended Dark Sky ordinance.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

j. Discussion / action to consider appointment of Mr. Jiovannie Escontrias to the Presidio Municipal Development District Board open seat.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Jiovannie Escontrias approached the Mayor and City Council with his request to being considered to the Presidio Municipal Development District Board's open seat. Councilman Montoya stated that there were other applicants to the open seat. City Council requested to have all applicants on the next regular meeting agenda for consideration.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to table line item 6j to have all other applicants on the next regular meeting agenda for considerations.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 2-0 2 Abstain

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon and Councilman Montoya Abstained

k. Discussion / action regarding the Game Room Ordinance for the City of Presidio.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson started by commenting a few items. Back in 2023, the city was considering a game room ordinance. Mayor Ferguson presented a packet with information to the City Council for consideration and opened the floor for discussion. Discussions and comments from the City Council and staff. Mr. Matt Stevens asked to have the Planning & Zoning Board for further research.

ACTION: Councilman Escontrias moved to send this consideration of Game Room Ordinance to the Presidio Planning & Zoning Commission.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

l. Discussion / action regarding filming requests on the City of Presidio property from Ms. Sarah Eckenroth, MXR Films.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Sarah Echenroth requested that she be granted permission to film on the City of Presidio old wastewater plant on HWY 190 on February 20 and 21st. She will be producing a short film named The Affidavit.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the request to use the City of Presidio's old wastewater treatment plant on HWY 190 and excluding the City of Presidio from any liability during the filming process.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

m. Discussion / action to consider approval of quote for Electrical Work for Water Well #8 on the TXCDBG Project No. CDB23-0300.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster informed that she would need to request a clearance through the system of award management before the contract to be awarded. Mr. Ramon Carrasco, Kleinman Engineer, recommended to award the quote for Electrical Work for Water Well #8 on the TXCDBG Project No. CDB23-0300 to Poor Boy Electric for \$45,000.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve quote from Poor Boy Electric for \$45,000 for the Electrical Work for Water Well #8 on the TxCDBG Project no. CDB23-0300.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

n. Discussion / action to consider approval of Change order No. 1 for Water Well #8 on the TxCDBG Project No. CDB23-0300.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Brewster requested that the City Council consider approving Change order no. 1 for the Water Well #8 on the TxCDBG project no. CDB23-0300.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to approve Change order no. 1 for the Water Well #8 on the TxCDBG project no. CDB23-0300.

Councilman Escontrias seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

o. Update on the Presidio, Texas Geothermal ongoing and upcoming projects for the 1st quarter of calendar year 2026.

UPDATE / DISCUSSION: Mr. John Kennedy and Ms. Glorissel Muñiz gave updates on the Geothermal. They informed the Mayor and City Council on what they are working on presently and where the project is going for the 2026 year.

p. Discussion / action to separate the current roles of the City Secretary and Human Resources.

1. Adjourn into executive session as Authorized by the Texas Government Code including, but not limited to section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) 6p.

2. Reconvene into open session and take such action as appropriate.

ACTION: Mayor Ferguson adjourned into executive session at 5:40 pm. Mayor Ferguson reconvened into open session at 6:37 pm.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson informed the public that the City Administrator will move forward with this action.

ACTION: No action.

7. Adjourn

DISCUSSION: There being no further business for the City Council Mayor Ferguson adjourned the regular City of Presidio meeting for January 26, 2026 at 6:39 p.m.

ACTION: Councilman Escontrias moved to adjourn the regular City of Presidio meeting for January 26, 2026 at 6:39 p.m.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

CITY OF PRESIDIO, TEXAS



John Ferguson
City of Presidio Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Lee Acuña
City Secretary

