



**City Council
Regular Council Meeting,
February 23, 2026**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Presidio, Texas will hold a Regular City Council meeting, at **5:30 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 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
6. Discussion / action to approve prior minutes for City Council regular meeting, February 9, 2026.
7. 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, Grant Administrator
 - b. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Rural Economic Development (RED) Grant CRC23-0523 project status and other grant matters. – Mrs. Becky Brewster, Grant Administrator
 - c. Discussion / action / update on the TxCDBG Grant CDV25-0138 project status. – Mrs. Becky Brewster, Grant Administrator
 1. Other grant matters.
 - d. Discussion / action / update on the TDEM TX 5161-4 (ARPA Funds). – Mrs. Becky Brewster, Grant Administrator
 2. Project status
 3. Other grant matters.
 - e. Discussion / action to approve the Order of Cancellation for the City of Presidio General Election May 2, 2026. – City Secretary
 - f. Discussion / action to review and consider the City of Presidio Planning & Zoning Commission Committee Policy Development and Ordinance Meeting Guide. – Mr. Matt Stevens
 - g. Discussion / action / consideration to approve Resolution 2026-01R Stone Garden Grant #3708509 Fiscal Year 2026-2027. – Chief of Police Covos
 - h. Discussion / action / consideration hiring a professional videographer to create promotional videos of the City of Presidio for \$4,000. –Tourism Board, Ms. Elvira Hermosillo
 - i. Discussion / action / consideration to finance the Viva Big Bend 2026 festival for \$7,500. –Tourism Board, Ms. Elvira Hermosillo

- j. Discussion / action on the purchase of the BM Radio spots for the City of Presidio community news. – Mayor Ferguson
- k. Discussion / action to consider construction quote to replace windows on the Slack Building. – Mayor Ferguson
- l. Discussion / action as appropriate concerning the Texas Water Development Board's Water Systems and Infrastructure Grant opportunity for construction inside of the City of Presidio. – Mr. Pablo Rodriguez, City Administrator
- m. Discussion / action to consider approval of the Presidio Volunteer Fire Department new policy & procedures, and rescinding the old Bylaws. – Mr. Saul Pardo, PVD Fire Chief
- n. Discussion / action to consider opening up a new bank account with the Big Bend Banks/1st Presidio Bank for the TEFMA funds and donations for the Presidio Volunteer Department.

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 February 17, 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 February 17, 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 February 17, 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,
February 23, 2026**

1. **Call meeting to order:** Mayor Ferguson called the Regular City Council meeting for February 23, 2026 at the Presidio Activity Center into order at 5:33 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	Not 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:** Mayor Ferguson 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 February 23, 2026 at the Presidio Activity Center and opened floor for any visitor to address the City Council for five minutes. Ms. Lynette Brehm, Hospital District Executive Director commented online on the exciting projecting coming to our rural county through the Big Beautiful Bill. This bill will have programs to improve the health of the residents in rural areas. Ms. Brehm stated that the Big Bend Hospital District is preparing for the application by approaching each community to inquire about their needs to improve their health. Mr. George English commented on his concern for the commercial services providers and the continued service outages.

5. **Department Reports**
6. **Discussion / action to approve prior minutes for City Council regular meeting, February 9, 2026.**

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve prior minutes for City Council regular meeting, February 24, 2026 as presented.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

7. **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, Grant Administrator**

DISCUSSION:

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, Grant Administrator**

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: No action.

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

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: No action.

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

DISCUSSION:

ACTION: No action.

- e. **Discussion / action to approve the Order of Cancellation for the City of Presidio General Election May 2, 2026. – City Secretary**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that the general elections for the city needed to be cancelled due to the seats not being filled. Only one seat was filled and the other two will be appointed after the May 2 date.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the Order of Cancellation for the City of Presidio General Election May 2, 2026.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 3-0 1 Abstain

Councilman Montoya Abstained

- f. **Discussion / action to review and consider the City of Presidio Planning & Zoning Commission Committee Policy Development and Ordinance Meeting Guide. – Mr. Matt Stevens**

DISCUSSION: Councilman Juarez informed the City Council that Mr. Stevens was out of the country and requested to be tabled for a later meeting date.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to table line item 7f.

Councilman Montoya seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- g. **Discussion / action / consideration to approve Resolution 2026-01R Stone Garden Grant #3708509 Fiscal Year 2026-2027. – Chief of Police Covos**

DISCUSSION: Chief Covos stated that this was a resolution from the last meeting that was approved and needed to be approved again with the modification requested from the Stone Garden grant. The modification was to add the finance department to the resolution.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the Resolution 2026-01R Stone Garden Grant #3708509 Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- h. **Discussion / action / consideration hiring a professional videographer to create promotional videos of the City of Presidio for \$4,000. –Tourism Board, Ms. Elvira Hermosillo**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated this was a proposal that was considered by the Tourism Board. The Presidio Tourism Board approved of the proposal to create promotional videos for the city and needs the final approval from the City Council.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the hiring a professional videographer to create promotional videos of the Presidio for \$4,000.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- i. **Discussion / action / consideration to finance the Viva Big Bend 2026 festival for \$7,500. –Tourism Board, Ms. Elvira Hermosillo**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that the Viva Big Bend is a festival that has been sponsored by the city for a few years. Mrs. Nelly Avila stated that this festival would include an opening band, and promotional material for \$7,500.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the financing of the Viva Big Bend 2026 festival for \$7,500.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 3-1 Opposed

Councilman Montoya Opposed

- j. **Discussion / action on the purchase of the BM Radio spots for the City of Presidio community news. – Mayor Ferguson**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson stated that this was to purchases radio spots from BM Radio to better communicate the news with the residents of what is going on with the city.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the purchase of the BM Radio spots for the City of Presidio community news.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- k. **Discussion / action to consider construction quote to replace windows on the Slack Building. – Mayor Ferguson**

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ferguson asked to have this item tabled.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to table line item 7k.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- l. **Discussion / action as appropriate concerning the Texas Water Development Board's Water Systems and Infrastructure Grant opportunity for construction inside of the City of Presidio. – Mr. Pablo Rodriguez, City Administrator**

DISCUSSION: City Administrator, Pablo Rodriguez, stated that this grant House Bill 500 that provides for water infrastructure for the city, but they will be looking at the bill to see if it will provide wastewater infrastructure too. Mr. Rodriguez stated that this grant would be beneficial for the Millington Addition part of the city that was previously annexed a few years ago. Mr. Rodriguez requested to have

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve to begin the process to submit the application to the Texas Water Development Board's Water Systems and Infrastructure grant.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- m. **Discussion / action to consider approval of the Presidio Volunteer Fire Department new policy & procedures, and rescinding the old Bylaws. – Mr. Saul Pardo, PVD Fire Chief**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Saul Pardo, Fire Chief, stated these new policy and procedures have been working with a company to make sure that the required laws and policies are being followed. Mr. Pardo presented a travel policy for the Fire Department that would better fit their department.

ACTION: Councilman Montoya moved to table line item 7m.

Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

- n. **Discussion / action to consider opening up a new bank account with the Big Bend Banks/1st Presidio Bank for the TEFMA funds and donations for the Presidio Volunteer Department.**

DISCUSSION: Mr. Saul Pardo, Fire Chief, informed the City Council of their need to have a bank account for the TIFMAS funds and donations. Fire Chief Pardo stated that this would make it easier to keep track of the funds for the fire department and city.

ACTION: Councilman Juarez moved to approve the opening a new bank account with the Big Bend Banks/1st Presidio Bank for the TIFMA funds and donations for the Presidio Volunteer Department.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

8. Adjourn

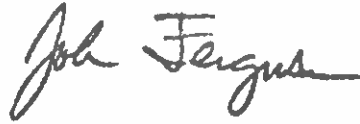
DISCUSSION: There being no further business for the City Council Mayor Ferguson adjourned the City of Presidio regular meeting for February 23, 2026 at 6:40 p.m.

ACTION: Councilwoman Martinez-Bailon moved to adjourn the City of Presidio regular meeting for February 23, 2026 at 6:40 p.m.

Councilman Saenz seconded the motion.

Motion Carried Unanimously 4-0

CITY OF PRESIDIO, TEXAS



John Ferguson
City of Presidio Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Lee Acuña
City Secretary

