
MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 17, 2026 – 6:30 PM
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS
400 S. OHIO AVE., MERCEDES, TX 78570

“At any time during the course of this meeting, the City Commission may retire to Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071(2) to confer with its legal counsel on any subject matter on this agenda in which the duty of the attorney to the City Commission under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Further, at any time during the course of this meeting, the City Commission may retire to Executive Session to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more of the exceptions to the Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code.”

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Establish Quorum**
3. **Invocation**
4. **Pledge of Allegiance**
5. **Open Forum**
6. **Presentation**
 - a. Proclamation for Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas
 - b. Presentation by PD and Fire regarding RGVLS Operations
7. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of Minutes for Meeting(s) held February 3, 2026
 - b. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2026-03 to terminate TIRZ No. 1
 - c. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2026-04 amending Chapter 3, Article 3.02 "Construction Codes and Standards"
 - d. Second and Final Reading to adopt Ordinance 2026-05 of the City of Mercedes, Texas, Creating the Rio Grande Valley Public Utility Agency (PUA); Making Findings a Fact; Approving Bylaws of the Agency; Providing for the Purposes, Powers, and Governance of the Agency; Approving initial Directors of the Agency; Establishing an Effective Date; Addressing Proper Notice and Meeting; and Setting Forth Other Matters Related Thereto
8. **Management Items:** Present, discuss, consider and possibly take action regarding:
 - a. Consideration and possible action to select a Financial Advisor for the Request for Qualifications for Financial Advisor services for the Texas Water Development Board financial assistance programs
 - b. Consideration and possible action to select an engineering firm for the Request for Qualifications for engineering services for the Texas Water Development Board financial assistance programs
 - c. Consideration and possible action to select a Bond Counsel firm for Bond Counsel services for the Texas Water Development Board financial assistance programs
9. **Ordinances/Resolutions**
 - a. Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of "City of Mercedes, Texas

Combination Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026A (Clean Water State Revolving Fund)"; Providing for the Payment of said Certificates by the Levy of an Ad Valorem Tax Upon all Taxable Property within the City and Further Securing said Certificates by a Subordinate and Inferior Lien on and Pledge of the Net Revenues of the System; and Other Matters Incident and related thereto (Ordinance 2026-06)

- b. Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of "City of Mercedes, Texas Combination Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026B (Clean Water State Revolving Fund)"; Providing for the Payment of Said Certificates by the Levy of an Ad Valorem Tax Upon all Taxable Property within the City and Further Securing said Certificates by a Subordinate and Inferior Lien on and Pledge of the Net Revenues of the System; and Other Matters Incident and related thereto (Ordinance 2026-07)
- c. Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving the Principal Forgiveness Agreement Clean Water State Revolving Fund in the Amount of \$10,000,000 and An Escrow Agreement relating thereto; and Other Matters in Connection therewith (Resolution 2026-15)
- d. Consideration and action regarding Resolution 2026-16 to nominate candidates to the Hidalgo County Appraisal District Board of Directors

10. Bids/Contracts

- a. Consideration and action to renew the Interlocal Agreement with Hidalgo County through the Hidalgo County Office of Emergency Management

11. Monthly Departmental Reports

- a. IT, City Sec/HR, Library, Planning, Police Dept., Rec Center, Fire Dept.

12. Executive Session: Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberation regarding Real Property), Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) and Section 551.087 (Economic Development)

- a. Discussion with City Manager regarding personnel matters - Section 551.074
- b. Consultation with Attorney regarding update on litigation - Section 551.071
- c. Consultation with Attorney regarding Project Updates - Section 551.087

13. Open Session

- a. Possible Action pertaining to executive session item A
- b. Possible Action pertaining to executive session item B
- c. Possible Action pertaining to executive session item C

14. Adjournment

Notice is hereby given that the City Commissioners of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 6:30 PM. Said meeting will be conducted in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall located at 400 S. Ohio, Mercedes, Texas for the purpose of considering and taking formal action regarding the items listed above. This notice is given in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et. Seq.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2026.

ATTEST:



Joselynn Castillo, City Secretary

Time of Posting: 5:10 P.M.

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

The City of Mercedes recognizes its obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to provide equal access to individuals with disabilities. Please contact the City Manager's Office at (956) 565-3114 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting with requests for reasonable accommodations, including requests for a sign language interpreter.