

THE STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF RIO HONDO
COUNTY OF CAMERON

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Gustavo Olivares
Mayor

**Special Meeting of City Commission of the City of
Rio Hondo
August 12, 2025**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the governing body of the City of Rio Hondo, Texas, will convene for a **Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday August 12, 2025, at the City Commission Chambers on the Second Floor of the Rio Hondo Civic Center Building located at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd., Rio Hondo, Texas 78583.**

Call meeting to Order (Mayor)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

UNITED STATES PLEDGE

INVOCATION:

Regular Agenda:

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, the City Commission, without having provided notice, may make reports about items of community interest if action is not taken and possible action is not discussed regarding the information provided in the report. "Items of community interest" include: (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations or condolence; (2) information regarding holiday schedules; (3) an honorary or salutatory recognition of a public official, public employee, or another citizen, except the discussions regarding a change in the status of a person's public office or public employment is not an honorary or salutatory recognition for the purposes of the City of Rio Hondo; (4) a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; (5) information regarding a social, ceremonial or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the City of Rio Hondo that attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the City of Rio Hondo; and (6) announcements involving an imminent

threat to the public health and safety of people in the political subdivision that has arisen after the posting of the agenda

1. Public Comment Period: Please Note- The Public Comment Period is designated for hearing concerns regarding City of Rio Hondo Public Policy or City of Rio Hondo business that is or is not on the agenda or items listed on the agenda.
2. Consideration and Action on the May 30, 2025, July 11, 2025, July 15, 2025, and July 22, 2025 City Commission meeting minutes.
3. Presentation on the status of the Bridge-Fest festivities.
4. Presentation of a plaque to Mr. Murl Kemmerling, Public Works Director, for his retirement from the City of Rio Hondo.
5. Consideration and Action naming Mr. Osvaldo Garcia as the interim Public Works Director.
6. Consideration and Action on a Proclamation celebrating the 10th anniversary of the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.
7. Status Report on the Public Safety Department regarding staff and equipment needs
8. Consideration and Action: readjusting the Police Officer base salary to \$20 per hour.
9. Status Report on the Street Reconstruction and Lighting Replacement Program.
10. Consideration and Action to redesign the Heywood Street stormwater project to the secondary outfall.
11. Consideration and Action accepting the letter of voluntary annexation of Rio Hondo Park Block 35, 1 acre, and Rio Hondo Park Block 35, 4 acres, from Miguel N. Alaniz.
12. Discussion and Consideration of the Property Tax Rate Worksheet required by the Property Tax Code Sec. 26.04(b).
13. Presentation of Property Annexation Processes in Texas.
14. Adjournment.

Note: The City Commission for the City of Rio Hondo has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during this meeting to discuss any matters, 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) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

Note: The Meeting is accessible to Americans with Disabilities. Persons with disabilities Those who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance, please call the City Secretary at (956) 748-2102 at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.



Gustavo Olivares

Mayor of the City of Rio Hondo

Posted: Friday, August 8, 2025 at: 1.00 pm

Attest: Ben Medina, Jr. City Administrator

I, City Secretary for the City of Rio Hondo, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting is a true and correct record and was posted in the bulletin board outside City Hall, and the bulletin board in the City Hall lobby, at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd, Rio Hondo, Texas 78583 and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time