

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 29, 2026**

The City of Pharr's Community Development Council held a public hearing on Thursday January 29, 2026, and the following is the record of attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Olga Cardoza
Lucio Gaitan
Marcos Gonzalez
Victor Alvarez

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sabrina Garcia
Norma Trevino
Frank Santana

STAFF PRESENT: Napoleon D. Coca, Grants Director
Sandra Regalado, CDBG Manager
Veronica Guerrero, CDBG Coordinator
Kimberly Hernandez, Administrative Assistant

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

A) ROLL CALL AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE EXCUSING OF ANY ABSENT MEMBER.

Chairwoman Olga Cardoza called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll call established a quorum.

Council Member Lucio Gaitan moved to excuse the absent members. Council Member Victor Alvarez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC HEARING

A) NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY TO SOLICIT PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES, NONPROFIT AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Chairwoman Olga Cardoza opened the public hearing. Staff reported that no individuals had signed up to speak and that no public comments had been received.

Mr. Napoleon Coca announced the Notice of Funding for the year 2026-2027 grant application would be opening with an estimated funding of \$1.2 million, of which 20% would be allocated to administration and 15% for public services. The public service

categories mentioned included senior services, youth services, food banks, rental assistance, domestic violence victims, handicapped services, and health services.

Mr. Coca stated that City of Pharr departments and Nonprofit organizations are invited to apply for these funds. He added that a workshop will be hosted to review the application requirements with prospective applicants. He noted a major requirement was that the service must benefit low- and moderate-income populations. The application deadline was May 1, 2026.

Council Member Lucio Gaitan inquired about the funds for the demolition programs; Mr. Coca informed the council members that the program had been closed per HUD recommendation.

Chairwoman Olga Cardoza asked for an update on the emergency repair program. Mr. Coca mentioned that the agreement had been approved and the first client was scheduled to start documentation soon.

Mr. Coca invited the Council to the upcoming Community Development Week Celebration and noted it would provide an opportunity for CDBG partners to engage with residents.

There being no comments from the public, Chairwoman Olga Cardoza **moved** to close the Public Hearing, Council Member Victor Alvarez motioned to close the public hearing, Council Member Lucio Gaitan seconded the motion and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

A) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 8, 2025, MEETING

Chairwoman Olga Cardoza introduced the item.

Council Member Marco Gonzalez **moved** to approve the minutes of October 8, 2025, as presented. Council Member Victor Alvarez seconded the motion, and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

B) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 19, 2025, MEETING

Chairwoman Olga Cardoza introduced the item.

Council Member Lucio Gaitan **moved** to approve the minutes of December 19, 2025, as presented. Council Member Victor Alvarez seconded the motion, and when put to a vote, it carried unanimously.

ITEM 4. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no other business to come before the board, Council Member Victor Alvarez **moved** to adjourn. Council Member Marcos Gonzalez seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL




Olga Cardoza, Chairwoman

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF PHARR

ON THIS THE 29th DAY OF JANUARY 2026 the Community Development Council Board of the City of Pharr, Texas, convened in a **REGULAR CALLED MEETING** at the Commissioner's Room located at 118 S. Cage Blvd, 2nd Floor, Pharr, Texas. The meeting being open to the public notice of the said meeting, giving the date, place, subject hereof, having been posted in accordance with Chapter 551. Texas Government Code (Open Meeting Act) and there being a present quorum, I, **KIMBERLY HERNANDEZ, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT** of the City of Pharr, Texas, certify that this is a true and correct copy of the minutes.

ATTEST:



KIMBERLY HERNANDEZ
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

APPROVED: 3-12-26

