

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 4, 2026**

The City of Pharr's Community Development Council held a public hearing on Thursday June 4, 2026, and the following is the record of attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Olga Cardoza
Marcos Gonzalez
Victor Alvarez
Lucio Gaitan
Norma Trevino
Frank Santana

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sabrina Garcia

STAFF PRESENT: Sandra Regalado, Assistant Director of Grants
Veronica Guerrero, CDBG Manager

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.

Board Member Norma Trevino moved to excuse the absent members. Board Member Lucio Gaitan seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC HEARING:

A) PUBLIC HEARING FOR NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY FOR 2026 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN 2ND NOTICE

Chairwoman, Olga Cardoza introduced the item.

There being no comments from the public, Chairwoman Olga Cardoza closed the Public Hearing.

Ms. Regalado explained that the proposed funding allocations were based on each agency's ability to spend the funds awarded in a timely manner. She clarified that the recommended amounts were preliminary and subject to further review and calculations by City Administration.

Board Member Lucio Gaitan asked what occurs when agencies do not fully expend their allocated funds. Ms. Guerrero stated that unspent funds could be reprogrammed; however, doing so was not ideal due to HUD compliance requirements associated with the CDBG program.

Ms. Guerrero further noted that staff actively assist residents by connecting them with partner agencies whenever assistance is needed.

Board Member Olga Cardoza asked how the services offered by the agencies are promoted to the public. She suggested distributing informational flyers with utility bills or through city newsletters. Board Members expressed support for increasing public awareness of assistance programs available through partner agencies.

Ms. Regalado emphasized the importance of coordinating directly with agencies when residents require assistance. She noted that staffing limitations and travel distances can sometimes hinder the utilization of available funds.

Mr. Santana also asked whether Valley Metro is based in Pharr and how its funding allocation would be used. Ms. Regalado explained that the funds support fuel and maintenance costs associated with services provided within the City of Pharr.

Ms. Regalado further clarified that all agencies included in the funding recommendations provide services exclusively to Pharr residents. Ms. Guerrero added that when children apply for assistance through partner agencies, proof of residency is required to verify that they are residents of Pharr.

C. RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PROSPECTIVE SUBRECIPIENTS AND SET RECOMMENDED FUNDING AMOUNTS

Olga Cardoza Chairwomen introduced the item.

Board Member Lucio Gaitan moved to approve prospective subrecipients and set recommended funding amounts. Board Member Norma Trevino seconded the motion and when put to a vote, the motion carried unanimously.

D. OPEN DISCUSSION ON ONGOING PROJECTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



Olga Cardoza, Chairwoman

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF PHARR

ON THIS THE 4th day of June 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: 6/18/26