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**AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Tuesday, October 11, 2022, 6:05 PM**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular City Council Meeting of the Town of Horizon City, Texas will be held on **Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 6:05 PM** at City Council Chambers Room, 15001 Darrington Road, Horizon City, TX 79928, at which time the following will be discussed and considered:

Recording password: Horizon123!

1. **Call to order; Pledge of Allegiance; Establishment of Quorum**
2. **Open Forum:**

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the CONSENT AGENDA are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member(s) of the City Council requests one or more items be removed from the CONSENT AGENDA to the REGULAR AGENDA for separate discussion and action prior to the City Council's vote to adopt the CONSENT AGENDA.

3. **Approval of Minutes from:** **3**
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4. **Discussion and Action:** **5**
Mayor/CIP Manager
On an update on the Capital Improvement Program.

5. **Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:**

6. **Approval of Consent Agenda Items:**

REGULAR AGENDA

7. **Discussion and Action:** **24**
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Regarding status of Golden Eagle Park construction project.

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On a Resolution authorizing staff to submit a TASA grant application to the MPO for the design and construction of a multi-use path on Rodman St.

11. **Discussion and Action:** **33**
Mayor/Finance Director
On a Professional Services contract with Pat Randleel for Financial Services. Funds available under the Finance Dept FY 2023 approved City budget.

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Mayor/Planner

On the replat application for **Horizon Town Center Unit Two Replat "A" (Case No. RP-002509-2022)**, legally described as Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 25, Horizon Town Center Unit Two Subdivision, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 0.4185 acres +/- . Application submitted by CAD Consulting Co.

13. Discussion and Action: **46**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

On an amendment to the agreement with Barracuda Public Relations to extend the term through the 2023 fiscal year.

14. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

Regarding potential membership in the Borderplex Alliance (\$10,000).

15. Discussion and Action: **49**

Mayor/EDC Executive Director

To accept the proposal submitted by The Retail Coach in response to retail consulting services.

16. Discussion and Action: **50**

Mayor/Chief Vargas

Regarding a resolution authorizing the Town of Horizon City Police Department to apply for a grant from the State of Texas to purchase bullet- resistant shields.

17. Presentation:

Mayor/Robert Campion

On an update from Elite Medical Transport on EMS operations for the quarter ending September 30, 2022.

18. Executive Session

The City Council of the Town of Horizon City 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 Texas Government Code 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 551.086 (Economic Development).

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjournment: _____ 2nd _____

Dated this Friday, 10/7/2022

By: _____

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

I, the undersigned authority, hereby certify that the above notice of the Regular City Council Meeting of the Town of Horizon City, Texas is a correct copy of this notice, and that I posted this notice at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled meeting at the City Hall Bulletin Boards of the Town of Horizon City, Texas on this Friday, 10/7/2022 by 5:00 p.m.

Agenda Removed: _____ Time _____ By _____

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Town of Horizon City will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending meetings. Requests for auxiliary aids and services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting by calling the City Clerk at (915) 852-1046.

**MINUTES
AGENDA
PUBLIC MEETING
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
Monday, September 19, 2022, 5:00 PM**

Notice is hereby given that a Special City Council Meeting of the Town of Horizon City, Texas was held on **Monday, September 19, 2022 at 5:00 PM**, at City Council Chambers Room, 15001 Darrington Road, Horizon City, TX 79928, at which time the following was discussed and considered:

1. Call to order; Pledge of Allegiance; Establishment of Quorum

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm. Aldermen Miller and Renteria were absent. Quorum Established.

2. Open Forum:

Sr. Police Detective, Abel Labrado spoke regarding recent activities in the police department.

CONSENT AGENDA

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3. Approval of Minutes from:

Mayor/City Clerk
9/13/22 Regular City Council Meeting.

4. Request to Excuse Absent Council Members:

5. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

A motion was made by Alderwoman Corral and seconded by Alderman Duran to excuse absent Council Members Miller and Renteria and approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Absent; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RENTERIA – Absent; DURAN – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; CORRAL – Aye. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA

Item #6 was taken after Item #7

6. Discussion and Action:

Mayor/Scott Alderwood
That City Council approve the proposed El Paso County 911 District annual operating budget as presented.

A motion was made by Alderman Duran and seconded by Alderman Ortega to approve the proposed El Paso County 911 District annual operating budget as presented. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Absent; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RENTERIA – Absent; DURAN – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; CORRAL – Aye. Motion passed.

7. **Discussion and Action:**

On a request to authorize the issuance of purchase orders for police equipment as listed in the attached memo not to exceed \$168,904.67 and authorizing the Mayor or designee to sign the necessary documents.

Police Chief, Marco Vargas spoke regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Duran and seconded by Alderwoman Corral to approve the request to authorize the issuance of purchase orders for police equipment as listed in the attached memo not to exceed \$168,904.67 and authorizing the Mayor or designee to sign the necessary documents. The CITY CLERK polled the Council: MILLER – Absent; QUIROZ – Aye; ORTEGA – Aye; RENTERIA – Absent; DURAN – Aye; PADILLA – Aye; CORRAL – Aye. Motion passed.

8. **Executive Session**

The City Council of the Town of Horizon City 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 Texas Government Code 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 551.086 (Economic Development).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Duran and seconded by Alderwoman Corral to adjourn at 5:12 PM.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Attest:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

Town of Horizon City Capital Improvement Program

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Oxbow & Pawling Street Improvements

- Design 60% complete
- Anticipate advertising, bidding and award by end of 2022
- Construction start in early 2023

Municipal Facilities – Phase 1

To meet USDA Requirements, staff is working on the following:

- Requirement for external financial feasibility report
- Council approval of the letter of intent outlining loan conditions
- Updating engagement with bond counsel
- Bond ordinance
- USDA review of final plans and specifications – coordinating with consultant and USDA
- Updated estimate for construction

Municipal Facilities – Phase 1



Rendering from Exigo Architecture – December 2020

Golden Eagle Park

Construction

- Construction contract awarded September 16, 2019
- Construction Start – Fall 2019
- Contractual completion date – Fall 2020
- Reinstating weekly meetings to address pending issues:
 - Pump operation
 - Splash Park operations

Desmond Corcoran (Corky) Park

Construction

- Pending riprap at sliding feature
- Pending WIFI at Oz Glaze to program photocell operation for lights

Regional Park

- **Goal** is to plan a regional facility that:
 - Meets Town's needs for park space;
 - Includes facilities and amenities that are sustainable; and
 - Fosters high value commercial development and activity in the vicinity

Street Maintenance Fund

2022-2023 Street Maintenance Program

- City staff evaluating scope and estimates to determine final scope of work
- Design and bid preparation during fall/winter 2022
- Award early 2023
- Construction Spring 2023

Federally- & State-Funded Project Updates

N. Darrington Reconstruction

- Environmental approval still pending
- Project scheduled for construction award in **FY 2023**
- Town staff continues working with TXDOT and design team to develop project
- Town staff and TXDOT working on Utility Coordination
- Staff developing funding options for gap between existing funding and project estimate.
- ROW acquisition activities underway through CRRMA interlocal agreement

N. Darrington Reconstruction - ROW

- Drainage requires property acquisition in TOD area
- Coordinating with Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority (CRRMA) to develop an interlocal agreement for ROW acquisition
 - Negotiations (acquisitions and construction easements)
 - Appraisals/Review Appraisals
 - Surveying – for final ROW Map
- Scheduled to bring agreement to Council for their consideration in August 2022.

Safety Projects

- **S. Darrington Safety Lighting** from Alberton to LTV Rd. – FY 2023
- **Project start – mid-2023**
- **N. Kenazo Safety Lighting** from Eastlake to Horizon Blvd. – FY 2022
- **Project start – first quarter of calendar 2023**

Delays in project starts are due to long lead times for lighting fixture poles.

TIRZ/TOD Update

TOD Updates

TOD Architectural Guidelines – consultant developing report and recommendations to include form-based zoning for TOD.

Public Involvement period has begun.

Over next two months will present to Planning and Zoning Commission and revise the draft report to capture public and staff comments.

TOD Updates

Community Project Funding

- Submitted application through Congresswoman Escobar's office
- Visit from Congresswoman Escobar on May 31, 2022
- Award notification expected in 2nd half of 2022

Removing Barriers Grant

- Developing grant application to conduct housing supply and planning and zoning study in TOD area.
- Grant application is due October 13, 2022.

Transportation Alternatives Set Aside

- Developing grant application for Rodman Multi-use path.
- Grant application is due October 24, 2022.

TIRZ Participation Agreements

HRMUD

- Initial discussions - July 6, 2022, HRMUD Board meeting
- Working with HRMUD legal counsel and engineering consultant

TIRZ Participation Agreements

ESD #1

- Presented at ESD # 1 Board of Commissioners meeting – June 23, 2022
- Forwarded documents and agreement draft for consideration

Town of Horizon City Capital Improvement Program

October 11, 2022
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**TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 10, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Teresa Quezada, Ph.D., CIP Manager *Teresa Quezada
10/10/2022*

SUBJECT: **On a Resolution of the Town of Horizon City, Texas establishing priorities for the 88th Legislative Session in Texas, and authorizing representation of the municipality in advocating positions on such legislative priorities.**

The attached resolution identifies the guiding principles for the City's legislative priorities for the 88th Texas Legislative Session that begins on January 10, 2023.

Municipalities adopt legislative priorities to

- Articulate policy priorities that may be affected by state legislative action;
- Make their policy priorities public to their constituents;
- Share their policy priorities with their respective state delegation; and
- Provide guidance to elected officials, approved representatives, and staff.

The Legislative Priorities Resolution becomes the document that establishes the Town's priorities and identifies proposed legislation the Town will either support or oppose.

The resolution has not changed substantially from the draft resolution Council has reviewed and is also similar to the priorities Council adopted for the 87th Legislature.

I am attaching the draft resolution and "Dates of Interest" for the 88th Legislature handout for your convenience.

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR THE 87TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION IN TEXAS, AND AUTHORIZING REPRESENTATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY IN ADVOCATING CERTAIN POSITIONS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the Town of Horizon City (“Council”) is committed to good governance, intergovernmental cooperation, and the furtherance of democracy at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds it to be in the public interest, and necessary for the public health, safety and welfare, that the Council take positions on matters that may arise before the 87th Texas Legislature when it convenes during the Spring of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds legislative involvement to be a legitimate exercise of its elected duties as the governing body serving those who live, work, visit and own property in the city limits and the extraterritorial jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Council acknowledges that the Governor and members of the Texas Senate and the Texas House of Representatives can benefit from the ongoing exchange of information with locally-elected public officials; and

WHEREAS, the Council has identified the following topics worth memorializing on behalf of the people of the Town of Horizon City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Horizon City:

A. SUPPORT-

1. ***Interlocal Cooperation:*** The Council hereby supports legislation that enhances federal, state, and local cooperation.
2. ***Local Democracy:*** The Council hereby supports legislation that upholds the principle of local government, and reinforces the lawful statutory authority of the locally--elected leaders to respect to the priorities of their citizenry, and respond to community challenges and opportunities.
3. ***Preserves Municipal Authority:*** The Council hereby supports legislation that maintains or expands the ability of locally-elected legislative bodies to enact local laws and administer regulatory programs.
4. ***Protect Municipal Revenue:*** The Council hereby supports legislation that protects the ability of locally-elected legislative bodies to assess taxes and impose fees necessary to fund municipal programs, projects and facilities.

5. *Institutions of Higher Education:* The Council hereby supports legislation that advances access to institutions of higher education and research.

B. OPPOSITION-

1. ***Preemption:*** The Council hereby opposes legislation that erodes weakens, or supersedes the ability of locally-elected leaders to respond to local challenges or opportunities unique to the community.
2. ***Revenue Reduction:*** The Council hereby opposes legislation that expands appraisal caps, imposes revenue caps on *ad valorem* (property) taxes, restricts sales taxes, limits administrative fees, caps right-of-way fees, commandeers municipal court fines or fees, or otherwise reduces local revenue sources.
3. ***Intergovernmental Communications:*** The Council hereby opposes legislation that prohibits the expenditure of municipal funds on professional communications and advocacy services, including lobbying and trade association memberships that would help the City track, understand, or influence legislation.

C. ADMINISTRATION-

1. ***Delegation:*** The Council directs staff to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Town's legislative delegation, that being State Senator César J. Blanco, and State Representative Mary Gonzalez, and other members of the El Paso County legislative delegation.
2. ***Media:*** The Council directs staff to provide a copy of this Resolution to reporters of our local media outlets.
3. ***Advocacy:*** The Mayor and Planning Director are hereby authorized to advocate on behalf of the City consistent with this Resolution and otherwise convey the positions expressed herein.
4. ***TML:*** The Council directs City staff to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Texas Municipal League.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the ___ day of November 2020, by a vote of ___ (ayes) to ___ (nays) to ___ (abstentions) of the Council of Horizon City, Texas.

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY:

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elvia Schuller, City Clerk
2021 Legislative Priorities, HC, 2020

DRAFT

Interim

Tuesday, March 1, 2022 Primary election to select political party candidate for federal, state, and county officers

[\[Sec. 41.007, Elections Code\]](#)

Saturday, May 7, 2022 Constitutional amendment election.

[\[Sec. 1, Article XVII, Texas Constitution\]](#)

- [Propositions](#)

Special election Houst District 38.

[\[Proclamation\]](#)

Special election House District 147.

[\[Proclamation\]](#)

Tuesday, May 24, 2022 Runoff election to select political party candidate for the November general election for federal, state, and county officers.

[\[Sec. 41.007\(b\), Elections Code\]](#)

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 Emergency special election to fill 34th Congressional District seat.

[\[Sec. 41.0011, Elections Code\]](#)

[\[Proclamation\]](#)

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 General election for federal, state, and county officers.

[\[Sec. 41.001, Elections Code\]](#)

Monday, November 14, 2022 First day legislators and legislators-elect may file bills for the 88th Legislature.

Regular Session Begins

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 88th Legislature convenes at noon.

(1st day)

[\[Sec. 5\(a\), Article III, Texas Constitution; Sec. 301.001, Government Code\]](#)

Friday, March 10, 2023 60-day deadline for bill filing.

(60th day)

Monday, May 29, 2023 Sine die.

(140th day)



**TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 10, 2022
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Teresa Quezada, Ph.D., CIP Manager *Teresa Quezada 10/10/2022*
SUBJECT: Discussion and Action regarding status of Golden Eagle Park construction project.

Throughout 2022 City staff have been working with Hawk Construction, the contractor for Golden Eagle Park Improvements Project, to address issues related to the pump operation and other pending items on the park project.

City staff, through MCI the construction manager, advised Hawk Construction that all outstanding items were to be completed by September 30, 2022. A construction site walk-through was scheduled for Friday, September 30, 2022, to inspect the park. During the walk-through, several items were identified as pending with the pump operation continuing to be the major component that is not fully operational.

MCI is finalizing the list of pending items and Hawk continues to work on the project. However, given the delays, staff is updating the Council as to the City's options under the construction contract. Additional information will be provided at the Council meeting for Council's consideration.



**TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 10, 2022
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Teresa Quezada, Ph.D., CIP Manager *Teresa Quezada
10/10/2022*
SUBJECT: **Discussion and Action: On the status of ROW acquisition for N. Darrington Reconstruction, CSJ 0924- 06-587.**

In August 2022, Horizon City and the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority (CRRMA) entered into an interlocal agreement (ILA) to acquire the 37 parcels (19 in fee simple and 18 temporary construction easements) required to construct the storm sewer and pond required for the N. Darrington Reconstruction project. The CRRMA has Atkins as the consultant who will be performing the right-of-way acquisition activities.

To date, Atkins, has

- Sent out rights of entry to affected property owners;
- Obtained 32 out of the 37 most recent deeds of ownership;
- Begun coordinating with the title company;
- Coordinated with TXDOT for project scheduling.

City staff anticipates that TXDOT will receive environmental clearances by mid- to late October. Once received, the CRRMA will begin the negotiation processes. Given the short timeframe, the schedule for negotiations will be aggressive within the federal requirements for right-of-way acquisition.

Property owners will have 30 days to consider the offers based on appraised values. If not accepted, the property owner will have another 14 days to resolve the acquisition. If an agreement cannot be reached during this time, the parcel file will be transferred to the City for further processing.

At this point, City staff is coordinating with TXDOT and the MPO for the additional funding required for the project. Based on 60% design, the project is approximately \$4.5 million short of the funding programmed through the MPO. Depending on when additional funding is available, the project bidding may be rescheduled. However, if funds are available in FY 2023, then staff will work with TXDOT to keep the project scheduled in FY 2023; TXDOT will advertise and award the project with the Horizon Blvd./N. Darrington Rd. intersection improvement project, and the N. Darrington construction activities will be phased in to provide as much time as possible for the ROW acquisition activities to be completed.



**TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 10, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Teresa Quezada, CIP Manager *Teresa Quezada 10/10/2022*

SUBJECT: **Discussion and Action: On a Resolution authorizing staff to submit a TASA grant application to the MPO for the design and construction of a multi-use path on Rodman St.**

The attached resolution expresses the City Council's support for the submission of an application to use federal Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) Funding available through the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to fund the construction of the design and construction of a multi-use path on Rodman Street.

The project application will go through a competitive selection process at the MPO and, if selected, will be recommended to the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) for funding. If selected, the project will then be added to the MPO's planning documents. Once the project becomes part of the planning documents, the City would enter into a Local Advanced Project Funding Agreement (LPAFA) to establish the duties and responsibilities of the Town and the Texas Department of Transportation to execute the project.

This resolution is intended to document the City Council's support and commitment to sponsor the project and fund the match as well as any cost overruns on the project.

The Rodman Street multi-use path will connect the existing path on Horizon Blvd. to Veny Webb and, just across the street, to Corky Park. This will provide a safe route for pedestrians and cyclists to access both Corky Park and the Oz Glaze Center and will also provide connectivity to the planned transit stop on N. Darrington just south of the intersection with Horizon Blvd. near the Walmart. Providing a multi-use facility on Rodman also connects Horizon Blvd. to the neighborhood around Corky Park and to the future Transit Oriented Development the City is programming. The City's CIP team is currently developing the scope and estimate for the project. The required local match for this funding category is 20% or approximately. Once the project budget is developed, we will update the Council on the estimated amount.

Staff recommends approval of the resolution and authorization to submit the project application.

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Town of Horizon City (the City) is a duly formed home-rule municipal corporation located in El Paso County, Texas;

WHEREAS, the City desires to seek funding in order to construct a multi-use path adjacent to Rodman Street located in Horizon City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS AS FOLLOWS:

The Town of Horizon City staff is hereby authorized to prepare and submit an application to the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization for a TASA grant for the design and construction of a multi-use path on Rodman Street.

Signed and effective the ____ day of October, 2022.

Town of Horizon City, Texas

By: _____
Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Elvia Schuller, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
Sylvia Borunda Firth
Assistant City Attorney

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

FOR FINANCIAL CONSULTING SERVICES

STATE OF TEXAS

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

COUNTY OF EL PASO

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THIS CONTRACT FOR FINANCIAL CONSULTING SERVICES is made by and between **THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS**, hereinafter called the "**City**" and **PATRICIA RANDLEEL**, hereinafter called "**CONSULTANT**" The City and Consultant are collectively referred to in this Agreement as the "**Parties**".

IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual promises herein contained the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I: SERVICES

Consultant agrees to perform the following services for the term of this Agreement:

Consult with the City's Finance Director and other Senior Staff Members on an on call basis regarding financial issues or practices of the City. Consultant agrees to be available during vacation time or other absence or unavailability of the full time Finance Director of the City.

ARTICLE 2: FEES/COMPENSATION

The City shall pay the Consultant at the rate of seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars per hour for the first two hours of a given month. Any time exceeding the two hours will be charged at the rate of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per hour.

Consultant will be required to submit an invoice to the Finance Director for approval before payment will be made Consultant will not be considered "employee" for the purposes of employee benefits and shall not receive benefits allowed for a full and/or part-time time employees. Consultant, for the consideration above expressed, does hereby agree to perform these services as a Consultant and agrees to diligently serve, represent, or defend the City to the best of the Consultant's ability. The City shall comply with all reasonable requests of the Consultant in connection with the performance of the Consultant's duties.

ARTICLE 3: TERM

This term of this contract shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning on , October 17, 2022 and terminating on October 16, 2023, unless terminated sooner in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 5 or Article 6.

ARTICLE 3: BILLING

The Consultant shall submit an invoice to the City for the monthly compensation during the billing period. Such billing shall be in writing, adequately documented and no invoice shall be paid until it is adequately documented. At a minimum, "adequate documentation" requires that each invoice shall contain a descriptive statement of the work performed, the dates when work was performed, and the compensation due. All invoices shall be paid pursuant to the Texas Prompt Payment Act within thirty (30) days of submittal to the City at the address set forth in this Contract.

ARTICLE 4: COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Consultant agrees to comply with the Immigration Reform and Control Act. Consultant agrees to complete all necessary forms or documents including Form W-9 within three days of execution of this contract. Additionally, Texas law requires that vendors make certain disclosures, Prior to the effective date of this Contract, Consultant has submitted to the City a copy of the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire form (CIQ Form) approved by the Texas Ethics Commission (Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176) and the Affidavit regarding Prohibition on Contracts with Companies Boycotting Israel (Texas Government Code Chapter 2270).

ARTICLE 5: INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as creating the relationship of employer and employee between the City and the Consultant. The Consultant shall be deemed at all times to be an independent contractor. Consultant, for the consideration expressed in this Agreement, does hereby agree to perform the services as an Consultant as an independent contractor to the best of the Consultant's ability. The City shall comply with all reasonable requests of the Consultant in connection with the performance of the Consultant's duties.

ARTICLE 6: DURATION, TERMINATION AND ASIGNMENT

This contract shall be in full force and effect subject to any limitations set forth herein, Any party may terminate this contract by giving the other party thirty (30) days written notice. Should the City have cause to terminate this agreement, the contract may be terminated immediately upon notification to the Consultant of the cause for termination. Notices required herein shall be mailed, postage prepaid, to the following:

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY:

Town of Horizon City
Attn: Mayor
14999 Darrington Road
Horizon City, Texas 79928

CONSULTANT:

Patricia Randleel
14793 Bombay Ct
Horizon City, Texas 79928

ARTICLE 7: AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

This Contract for services is contingent on the availability of funds. If for any reason, at any time during any subsequent fiscal year for the City, the City fails to appropriate funds sufficient for City to fulfill its obligations under this Contract, the City may terminate this Contract by sending written notice to Consultant, effective on the last date for which funding has been appropriated by the City Council of the Town of Horizon City for the purposes set forth in this Contract, Provided however, the City shall be obligated to pay all charges incurred through the Date OfTermination.

ARTICLE 9: GOVERNING LAW - TEXAS LAW TO APPLY

This contract shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in El Paso County, Texas. Venue shall be El Paso County, Texas.

ARTICLE 10: LEGAL CONSTRUCTION

In case any part or provision contained in this contract shall. for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not destroy this contract and this contract shall be construed and enforced as if the offending part or provision were not part of this agreement.

ARTICLE 11: BINDING AGREEMENT

This contract shall inure to the benefit of and be binding on the parties, their successors, heirs and personal representatives.

ARTICLE 12: NO ASSIGNMENT OR SUBLETTING

The services provided by the Consultant are personal and the Consultant may not assign this contract in whole or in part or subcontract any of the services without prior written consent of the City.

SIGNED this ____ day of October, 2022.

Town of Horizon City, Texas

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor
Town of Horizon City, Texas
14999 Darrington Rd.
Horizon City, Texas

Patricia Randleel



**TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
MEMORANDUM**

Date: October 11, 2022

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Art Rubio, Planner

SUBJECT: On a replat application for Horizon Town Center Unit 2 Replat "A" (Case No. RP-002509-2022), legally described as Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 25, Horizon Town Center Unit Two, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas. Containing 0.4185 ± acres. Application submitted by CAD Consulting Co.

On September 19, 2022, the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of the replat application for the Horizon Town Center Unit 2 Replat "A" with the condition that the remaining comments be addressed prior to final approval and that the conditions imposed on the rezoning, (that all single-family residences be at least 1,100 square feet in size, have at least a two-car garage, and have a two-car wide driveway) are met.

This replat application is for a lot line adjustment to meet all density and dimensional standards due to a builder error. No public improvements are being dedicated with this replat; therefore, staff recommends approval of the replat subject to all zoning conditions.

Attached for your review is the staff report, which includes the preliminary and final replat.

History:

The City Council approved the Horizon Town Center Unit Two Subdivision on December 4, 2020.



TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
Planning and Zoning Commission Staff Report

Case No.: **RP-002509-2022**
Subdivision Name: Horizon Town Center Unit 2 Replat "A"
Application Type: Replat Subdivision Application
P&Z Hearing Date: September 19, 2022
Staff Contact: Art Rubio, Planner
 915-852-1046 ext.407; arubio@horizoncity.org

Address/Location: Subdivision is southwest of the Wal-Mart Supercenter development
Legal Description: Lots 4, 5 and 6, Block 25, Horizon Town Center Unit Two Subdivision, Town of Horizon City, El Paso County, Texas
Acreage: 0.4185Acres ± (3 lots)
Existing Use: Single-Family Dwellings
Existing Zoning: R-9/CO (Residential – Conditional Overlay)

Owner/Applicant: JNC Development LLC
Land Surveyor/: CAD Consulting Co.

Surrounding Properties

	Zoning	Land Use
N	C-2 (Commercial) – Vacant	Vacant
E	C-1 (Commercial) - Businesses	Businesses
S	R-9/CO (Residential) - Vacant	Vacant
W	C-2 (Commercial) – Vacant	Vacant

Future Land Use Designation: Mixed Use, Town Center
Nearest Park: Desmond "Corky" Corcoran Park
Nearest School: Region 19 Head Start Program

Application Description:

The developer is proposing to replat three residential lots from Horizon Town Center Unit Two Subdivision, a 288-lot residential subdivision for single-family development due to a builder error. The lot size is as follows: Lot 4, 0.1419-acre, Lot 5, 0.1379-acre and Lot 6, 0.1386-acre. The existing ponding area measures approximately 83,525 square feet in size. The conditional overlay on this property requires that all single-family residences be at least 1,100 square feet in size, have at least a two-car garage, and have a two-car wide driveway.

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends **APPROVAL** of the proposed replat subdivision with the condition that all density and dimensional standards and conditions imposed on the initial rezoning are met.

Planning Comments:

1. ~~Revise Certificate of Plat Approval, on first line the year shown is 2018.~~
2. ~~Add note: All base zone density and dimensional standards will be met.~~

~~3. Certified Tax Certificates or City of El Paso Tax Assessor statements showing no tax balance is required prior to scheduling item for City Council~~

Public Works Director Comments:

COMMENTS FOR HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT 2 REPLAT A (Preliminary plat) (Review 1&2)

- ~~1. Provide closure.~~
- ~~2. Provide Datum on Benchmark.~~
- ~~3. Provide metes and bounds description.~~
- ~~4. Provide adjoining subdivision legal description at the north, south, and west sides of block 25.~~

PUBLIC WORKS 9/12/22 Review 1&2

COMMENTS FOR HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT 2 REPLAT A (Final plat)

- ~~1. Provide closure.~~
- ~~2. Provide Benchmark with Datum information.~~
- ~~3. Provide metes and bounds description.~~
- ~~4. Provide adjoining subdivision legal description at the north, south, and west sides of block 25.~~

Town Engineer Comments:

Horizon Town Center Unit Two-Replat A

Summary of Recommended Conditions for Preliminary Plat Approval:

The Town Engineer recommends the following:

- ~~1. Provide certification that all utilities have approved locations of easements and that service will be provided to development.~~
- ~~2. Provide metes and bounds description on plat.~~
- ~~3. Provide location of all utilities in the vicinity of the subject area.~~
- ~~4. Provide location and size of water and sewer lines in the subject area.~~
- ~~5. Provide close report for subject area and lots.~~
- ~~6. Provide datum use for plat.~~
- ~~7. Provide surface scale factor.~~

Summary of Recommended Conditions for Final Plat Approval:

- ~~1. Provide certification that all utilities have approved locations of easements and that service will be provided to development.~~
- ~~2. Benchmark information was deleted from Final Plat. Put the Benchmark information on the Final Plat.~~
- ~~3. Provide metes and bounds description on plat.~~
- ~~4. Provide close report for subject area and lots.~~
- ~~5. Provide datum use for plat.~~
- ~~6. Provide surface scale factor.~~

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Zoning Designation Map

Attachment 2 – Aerial View Map

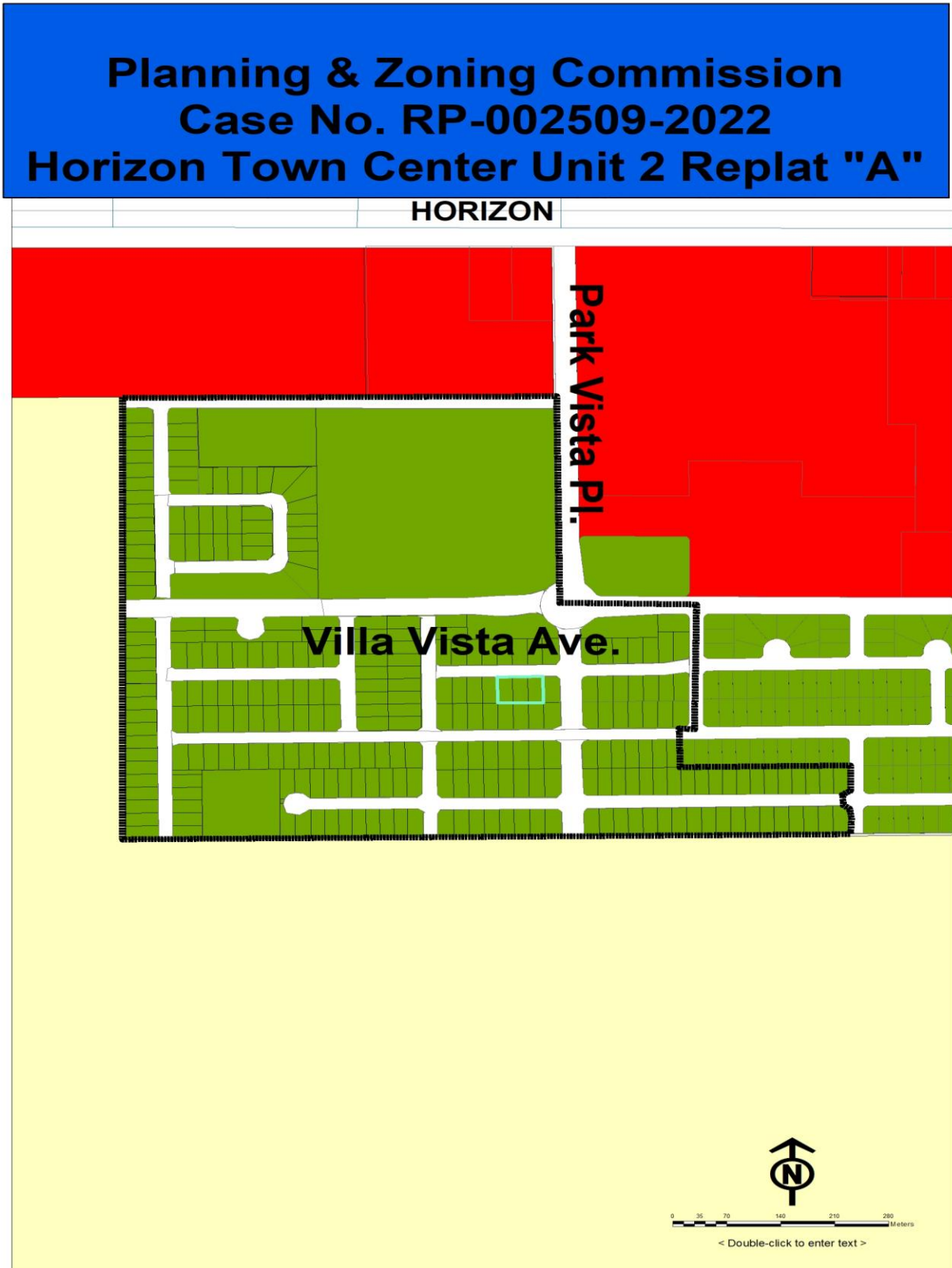
Attachment 3 – Location Map

Attachment 4 – Preliminary Replat

Attachment 5 – Final Replat

Attachment 6 –Replat Application

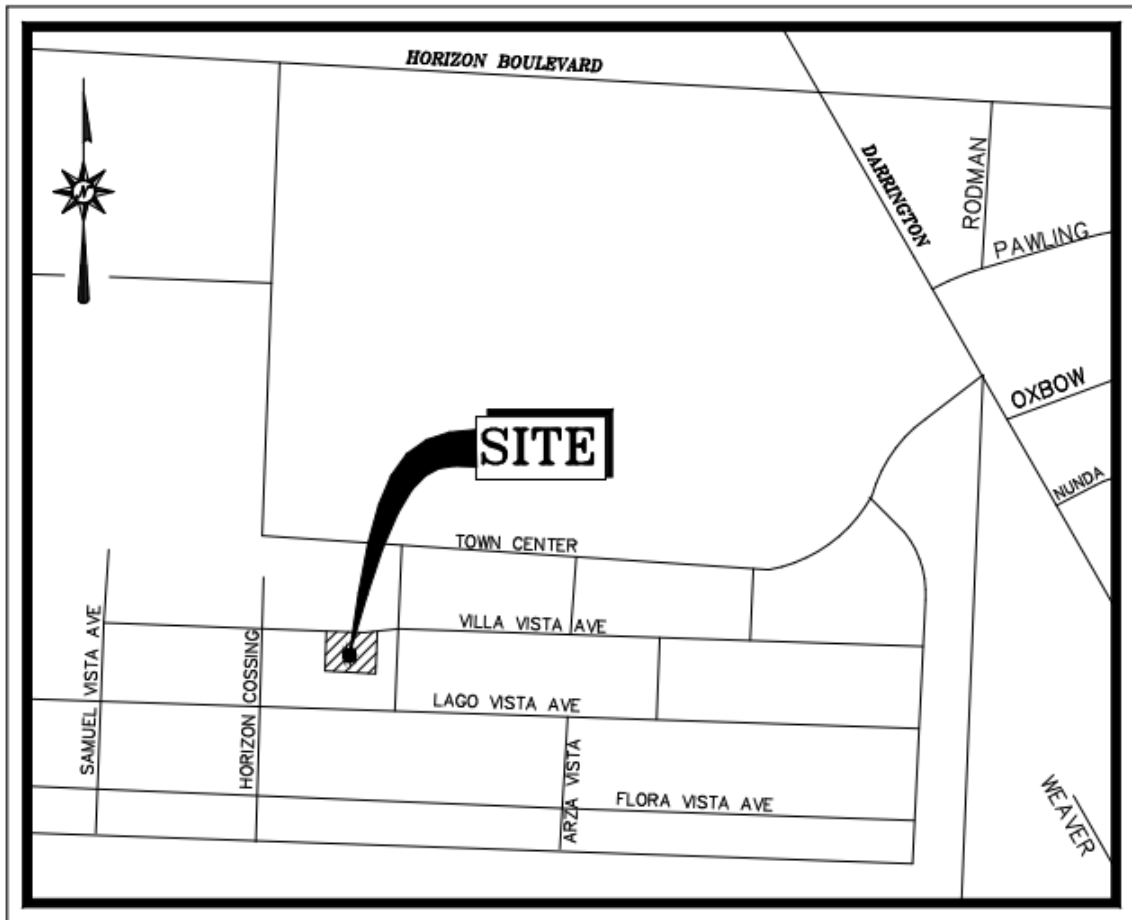
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Attachment 3: Location Map



Attachment 4: Preliminary Replat

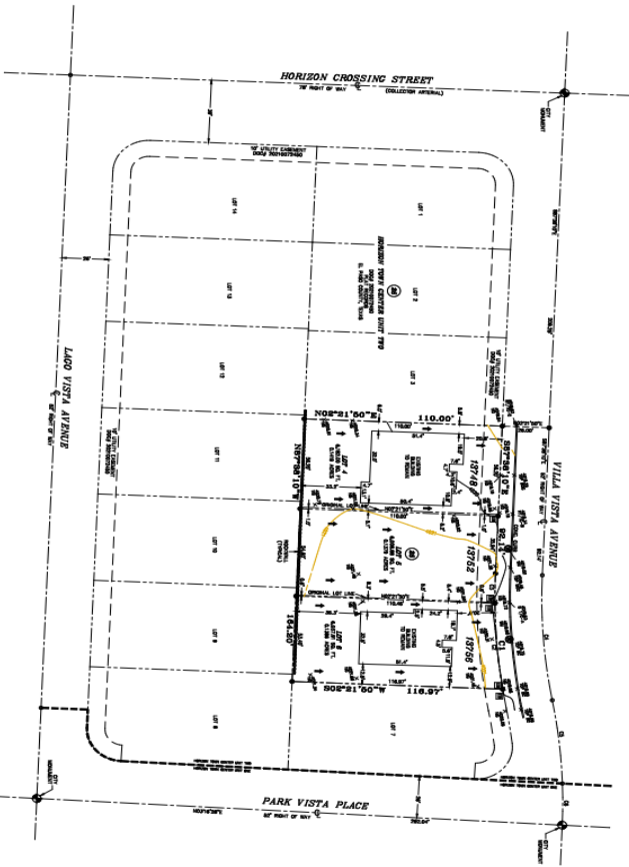
**HORIZON TOWN CENTER
UNIT TWO REPLAT "A"**

A REPLAT OF LOTS 4, 5 AND 6, BLOCK 25
HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO
TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS.
CONTAINING: 18,228.79 SQ. FT. OR 0.4185 ACRES ±
PRELIMINARY

OWNER	ADDRESS	DATE
1. HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO	1790 N. LEE TERRYING	08/11/2022
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9. HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO	1790 N. LEE TERRYING	08/11/2022
10. HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO	1790 N. LEE TERRYING	08/11/2022

- NOTES:
1. OWNER'S RECORDS IN THE SUBDIVISION ARE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EL PASO AND BROWN COUNTY.
 2. REPLATMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 18, CHAPTER 201, SUBCHAPTER A, ARTICLE 10.01, TEXAS VEHICULAR CODE.
 3. THIS REPLATMENT IS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK, EL PASO AND BROWN COUNTY.
 4. THE REPLATMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE EXISTING EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND OTHER INTERESTS SHOWN ON THE ORIGINAL PLAT.
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CLAYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

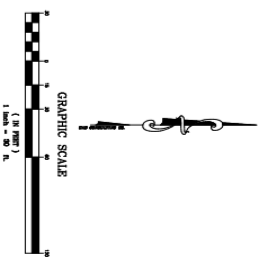


SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
(Symbol)	LOT 4
(Symbol)	LOT 5
(Symbol)	LOT 6
(Symbol)	EXISTING BUILDING
(Symbol)	PROPOSED BUILDING
(Symbol)	PROPOSED DRIVE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED SIDEWALK
(Symbol)	PROPOSED CURB
(Symbol)	PROPOSED UTILITY
(Symbol)	PROPOSED FENCE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED SIGN
(Symbol)	PROPOSED LIGHT
(Symbol)	PROPOSED TREE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED LANDSCAPE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED PAVEMENT
(Symbol)	PROPOSED GRAVEL
(Symbol)	PROPOSED ASPHALT
(Symbol)	PROPOSED CONCRETE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED BRICK
(Symbol)	PROPOSED STONE
(Symbol)	PROPOSED TILE

PROPOSED DRIVEWAY AT CENTERLINE INTERSECTION OF
LOT 4 AND LOT 5. DRIVEWAY SHALL BE 10 FEET WIDE
AND SHALL BE PAVED WITH ASPHALT. DRIVEWAY SHALL
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CONTRACT LABELS & NOTES



LOCATION MAP: 1"=600'



ENGINEER:
CARLOS VALDEZ, P.E.
1790 N. LEE TERRYING
EL PASO, TEXAS 79902
PHONE: (910) 683-4422

OWNER/DEVELOPER:
HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO
1790 N. LEE TERRYING
EL PASO, TEXAS 79902
PHONE: (910) 683-1000

CONSULTING COMPANY
1790 N. LEE TERRYING
EL PASO, TEXAS 79902
PHONE: (910) 683-4422

Attachment 6: Replat Application

RP-002509-2022



TOWN OF HORIZON CITY
 14999 Darrington Road
 Horizon City, Texas 79928
 Phone 915-852-1046 Fax 915-852-1005

REPLAT APPLICATION

REPLAT A

SUBDIVISION PROPOSED NAME: HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO SUBMITTAL DATE: _____

1. LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR THE AREA INCLUDED ON THIS PLAT (TRACT, BLOCK, GRANT, etc.)
LOTS 4, 5 AND 6 - BLOCK 25
HORIZON TOWN CENTER UNIT TWO

2. PROPERTY LAND USES:

	ACRES	SITES		ACRES	SITES
SINGLE-FAMILY	<u>0.4185</u>	<u>3</u>	OFFICE	_____	_____
DUPLEX	_____	_____	STREET & ALLEY	_____	_____
APARTMENT	_____	_____	PONDING & DRAINAGE	_____	_____
MOBILE HOME	_____	_____	INSTITUTIONAL	_____	_____
P.U.D.	_____	_____	OTHER	_____	_____
PARK	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SCHOOL	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
COMMERCIAL	_____	_____	TOTAL NO. SITES	_____	<u>3</u>
INDUSTRIAL	_____	_____	TOTAL (GROSS) ACREAGE	<u>0.4185</u>	_____

3. WHAT IS THE EXISTING ZONING OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY? R-9 PROPOSED ZONING _____

4. WILL THE RESIDENTIAL SITES, AS PROPOSED, PERMIT DEVELOPMENT IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ALL ZONING REQUIREMENTS OF THE EXISTING RESIDENTIAL ZONE(S)? YES NO

5. WHAT TYPE OF UTILITY EASEMENTS ARE PROPOSED? UNDERGROUND OVERHEAD COMBINATION

6. WHAT TYPE OF DRAINAGE IS PROPOSED? (IF APPLICABLE LIST MORE THAN ONE) OFF SITE

7. IF SINGLE-FAMILY OR DUPLEX DEVELOPMENT IS PROPOSED: AVERAGE FLOOR AREA OF HOUSES N/A

8. ARE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENT? YES NO

9. IS A MODIFICATION OF ANY PORTION OF THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE PROPOSED? YES NO
 IF ANSWER IS "YES", PLEASE EXPLAIN THE NATURE OF THE MODIFICATION _____

10. WHAT TYPE OF LANDSCAPING IS PROPOSED? PARKWAY MEDIANS OTHER

11. REMARKS AND/OR EXPLANATION OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES: _____

12. WILL PLAT BE RECORDED PRIOR TO SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS BEING COMPLETED & APPROVED? YES NO N/A INITIALS N/A
 IF YES, submit REQUIRED GUARANTEE (SECTION 4.10.3 & 8.1.7, Municode Chapter 10) OR Improvement Cost Estimates & Construction Agreement

13. WILL ANY RESTRICTIONS AND COVENANTS BE RECORDED WITH PLAT? YES NO INITIALS EA IF YES, PLEASE ATTACH COPY.

14. OWNER OF RECORD JNC DEVELOPMENT LLC (NAME & ADDRESS) _____ (EMAIL) _____ (PHONE) 915-855-1005

15. DEVELOPER _____ (NAME & ADDRESS) _____ (EMAIL) _____ (PHONE)

16. ENGINEER _____ (NAME & ADDRESS) _____ (EMAIL) _____ (PHONE)

17. APPLICANT CAD CONSULTING CO. (NAME & ADDRESS) _____ (EMAIL) _____ (PHONE) 915-633-6422

18. REP/POINT OF CONTACT CAD CONSULTING CO. (NAME & ADDRESS) _____ (EMAIL) _____ (PHONE) 915-633-6422

NOTE: Applicant is responsible for all expenses incurred by the City in connection with the Replat approval request, including but not limited to attorney's fees, engineering fees and publication. Charges exceeding deposit will be invoiced separately. Initials EA.

Applicant Signature [Signature] EMAIL CADCONSULTING1@AOL.COM

APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETE & VALIDATED PRIOR TO SUBDIVISION PROCESSING
 Acceptance of fee does not grant acceptance of application.
 Non Refundable Deposit \$500 | Application Fees: \$100 | Publishing Fee Deposit (if applicable): \$260

RESOLUTION

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY

WHEREAS, on or about October 27, 2021, the Town of Horizon City Economic Development Corporation (“HCEDC”) entered into a Consultant Services Agreement (“Agreement”) with Barracuda Public Relations (“Barracuda”); and

WHEREAS, section 1. of the Agreement states that the term may be extended for a one (1) year period as mutually agreed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement expires on October 29, 2022, and the parties desire to extend the term of the Agreement for one (1) additional year; and

WHEREAS, the HCEDC recommends Council to authorize the HCEDC to amend the Agreement with Barracuda for one (1) year through the 2023 fiscal year, commencing on October 30, 2022 and ending on October 29, 2023, unless earlier terminated pursuant to the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it in the best interest of City to approve the amendment to the Agreement between the HCEDC and Barracuda to extend the term for one (1) year, the new Agreement amount shall not exceed \$27,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS:

That the Executive Director of the HCEDC, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute the First Amendment to the Agreement between the HCEDC and Barracuda Public Relations in the amount not to exceed \$27,000.00 for consulting services. The new term of the Agreement is October 29, 2023.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elvia Schuller, TRMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sylvia Borunda Firth
Assistant City Attorney

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO
CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Horizon City Type 4B Economic Development Corporation (“Corporation”) entered into a Consultant Services Agreement (“Agreement”) with Barracuda Public Relations (“Consultant”) on October 27th, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement expires on October 29, 2022, and the parties desire to extend the term for one additional year.

NOW, THEREFORE THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Term**. The Corporation hereby contracts with Consultant for an additional one-year period commencing on October 30, 2022, and ending October 29, 2023, unless earlier terminated pursuant to the Agreement.
2. **Compensation**. The total amount paid to the Consultant for services during the Term shall not exceed \$27,000.00, as set forth in Exhibit A, plus any Expenses as described in the Agreement.
3. **Ratification**. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless expressly amended herein in writing.

Signed and effective the ____ day of September 2022.

**Town of Horizon City Type 4B
Economic Development Corporation**

By: _____
Walter Miller, President of the Board

ATTEST:

By: _____
**Veronica Rojas
Board Secretary**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
**Sylvia Borunda Firth
Board Attorney**

EXHIBIT "A"

Barracuda Public Relations, LLC
2209 Pittsburgh
El Paso, TX 79930
+1 9157774158
marina@barracudapr.com



Estimate

ADDRESS

Horizon City Economic
Development Corporation
14999 Darrington Rd
Horizon City, TX 79928

ESTIMATE # 1122
DATE 08/25/2022

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Public Relations Consulting Year Contract ESC 19 contract #22-7430	333	75.00	24,975.00
Public Relations Other Services ESC 19 contract #22-7430	1	2,025.00	2,025.00
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	SUBTOTAL		27,000.00
	TAX		0.00
	TOTAL		\$27,000.00

Accepted By

Accepted Date

RESOLUTION

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY

WHEREAS, on or about July 7, 2022, the Town of Horizon City issued a solicitation for bids for retail data and recruitment services for an agreement between the Town of Horizon City Economic Development Corporation (“HCEDC”); and

WHEREAS, after the evaluation of all the proposals received, the HCEDC decided to award the contract to Retail Coach, LLC during its meeting held on August 17, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the HCEDC recommends Council to approve the contract between the HCEDC and Retail Coach, LLC;

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it in the best interest of City to approve the contract between the HCEDC and Retail Coach, LLC for retail data and recruitment services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS:

That the Executive Director of the HCEDC, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute the contract between the HCEDC and Retail Coach, LLC in the amount of \$42,500.00 for retail data and recruitment services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elvia Schuller, TRMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sylvia Borunda Firth
Assistant City Attorney

Interoffice Memorandum



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Chief Marco A. Vargas

RE: Grant for Bullet-Resistant Shields

DATE: 09-21-2022

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members,

The State of Texas is working to ensure our law enforcement partners across the state can protect our children, teachers, and schools. In June this year, Governor Abbott and Texas legislative leaders set money aside to support additional school safety. Included within that is \$50 million for bullet-resistant shields. These funds will give us access to training for active shooter scenarios and critical protective equipment. There have been recent events that have occurred to push for law enforcement to be better equipped for these types of responses.

We would like permission to apply for a grant for \$111,481.60 for 20 Bullet-Resistant Shields. The equipment is no longer for SWAT or SRT. It's also for the first responder. The Uvalde incident is the most recent tragic incident where law enforcement has had to respond to an active shooter incident where this type of equipment is vital. The city of Horizon has three school districts and nine grade schools. The equipment we purchase through this grant will help our officers to be safer when responding to high-priority calls.

The program allows for the purchase and 100% reimbursement from the State.

**RESOLUTION
TOWN OF HORIZON CITY**

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2022, Governor Greg Abbott announced new grant funding for law enforcement agencies to receive Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (“ALERRT”) and to purchase critical protective equipment through the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program (the “Program”);

WHEREAS, the initiatives by Governor Abbott and Texas legislative leaders are focused, in part, on providing law enforcement and other first responders additional school safety support;

WHEREAS, there are nine grade schools and two school districts, within the limits of the Town of Horizon City and there is a need to further support law enforcement in preparation and training for responding to active shooter scenarios and other high priority calls;

WHEREAS, the Town of Horizon City has identified a need to apply for grant funding in the amount of \$111,481.60 through ALERRT and the Program for training and the purchase of twenty (20) Bullet-Resistant Shields; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare of the community to apply for a grant for training and equipment through the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HORIZON CITY, TEXAS:

That the Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to apply for a grant in the amount of \$111,481.60 from the State of Texas to purchase twenty (20) Bullet-Resistant Shields to provide additional officer safety.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

TOWN OF HORIZON CITY

Ruben Mendoza, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elvia Schuller, TRMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sylvia Borunda Firth
Assistant City Attorney
Horizon City Resolution
Grant Authorization

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Chief Marco A. Vargas
Horizon City Police Department