CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
JANUARY 12, 2026

THOSE PRESENT:	Mayor	Clifton Shaw
	Commissioner Ward I	Carla Rodriguez
	Commissioner Ward II	Jim Taliaferro
	Commissioner Ward III	Benny Lopez
	Commissioner Ward IV	Valarie Johnson

CITY STAFF:	Wade Willson, City Administrator
	Pamela King, City Secretary
	Ross Hester, Police Chief
	Waylan Field, Public Works
	Rebecca Britton, Code Enforcement

OTHERS PRESENT: Henry & Collette Willson, Patsy Warshaw, Peter Laverty, James Leatherwood, Todd & Rayanna Hoeft, Terry Reeves, Stacey Butler, Paula Samuels, Jason Gaydos, Authur Ramirez, Judy Thomas, Mike Delano, Becky Ford, Monique Ruiz, Lezlee Harlan, Melissa Mchgarhen.

1. Call to order:

With a quorum of the Commission members present the Regular Meeting of the Slaton City Commission was called to order by Mayor Clifton Shaw at 6:30 p.m. January 12, 2026, in the City Hall Commission Room, 130 S. 9th Street, Slaton, Texas.

2. Pledge of allegiance to the US flag and the Texas state flag:

3. Invocation:

The Invocation was given by Terry Reeves

4. Abstention and Conflict of Interest:

There was none.

5. Public Comment (limited to 5 minutes per person):

There was none.

6. Discuss and consider approval of minutes for the Commission Meeting of December 8,2025:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes of the City Commission Meeting of December 8, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider approval of the financial statement, monthly bills, and pooled cash reports:

A motion was made by Commissioner Lopez and a second by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve the financial statements, pooled cash reports and pays the monthly bills. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discuss and consider approval of the Public Investment Funds:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and a second was made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the Public Investment Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Department Reports:

a. CRMWA Report
b. Street and Sanitation
c. Water and Sewer
d. Code Enforcement
e. Police, Animal Control
f. Administration and Finance

All Department reports were presented.

10. Introduction of Rayanna Hoeft with the Texas Historic Commission and update on the Slaton Harvey House:

Peter Laverty, President of the Harvey House Board introduce Rayanna Hoeft of the Texas Historic Commission. Rayanna Hoeft gave a brief update on the upcoming plans for the Harvey House. She and her husband Todd will be leaving their home in the Austin Texas and will be moving to the Slaton or Lubbock area.

11. Order the May 2, 2026 Election for Mayor, Commissioner Ward 1 and Ward 3:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to authorize the May 2, 2026 Election for Mayor, Commissioner Ward 1 and Ward 3. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on Resolution #011226A a resolution authorizing the City of Slaton to contract with Lubbock County for joint elections services FY 2026:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez approve Resolution #011226A. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on Resolution **#011226B** a resolution to adopt the Hart Verity Data 2.7.5, Hart Verity Build 2.7.5, Hart Verity Central 2.7.7, Hart Verity Count 2.7.1, Hart Verity Duo Controller version 2.7.2, the Hart Verity Duo Writer version 2.7.2, the Hart Verity Scanner version 2.7.6, and the Hart Verity Duo GO, from Hart Intercivic for use in elections in Lubbock County

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez approve Resolution #011226B. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on Resolution #011226C, a resolution designating an official newspaper for the City of Slaton for the calendar year of 2026:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and a second was made by Commissioner Lopez to approve Resolution #011226C. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on Rate Resolution:

A motion was made by Commissioner Lopez and a second was made by Commissioner Johnson to approve the rate resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on Ordinance #840, authorizing an increase to the employee retirement contribution rate; adopting annually accruing updated service credits and transfer updated service credits; and removing the statutory maximum contribution rate limit **(2nd Reading)**:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to table Ordinance #840 for further discussion at our next Commission Meeting in February. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Discuss, consider, and take action on an Equipment Incentive Project in the amount of up to $10,500.00 for Zarate Detailing and Tire. This was approved by the SEDCO Board on December 18, 2025:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and a second was made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the Equipment Incentive Project in the amount of up to $10,500.00 for Zarate Detailing and Tire. Motion carried unanimously.

18. Discuss, consider, and take action on approving amendments to SEDCO bylaws to align with Texas Municipal League Economic Development laws for board members:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve the amendments of page 2 of the SEDCO bylaws to align with the Texas Municipal League Economic Development laws. Motion carried unanimously.

19. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on authorizing the allocation of additional local funds toward the Slaton Senior Center project for the abatement and demolition of the old Senior Center building, not to exceed $43,000:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and a second was made by Commissioner Taliaferro to approve the allocation of additional local funds not to exceed $43,000 for the abatement and demolition of old Slaton Senior Center building. Motion carried unanimously.

20. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on the annual lease for the Wastewater Farm to deduct cost of Prairie Dog eradication from lease payment:

A motion was made by Commissioner Lopez and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to table the annual lease for the Wastewater Farm and the Prairie Dog eradication form lease payment. Motion carried unanimously.

21. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on a Master Service Agreement with Target Solutions:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve the Master Service Agreement with Target Solutions. Motion carried unanimously.

22. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on an Occupational Medicine Service Agreement and Fee Schedule with UMC Physicians:

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and a second was made by Commissioner Lopez to approve the Occupational Medicine Service Agreement and Fee Schedule with UMC Physicians. Motion carried unanimously.

23. Discuss and Take Necessary Action on awarding a bid for the demolition of the Substandard Structure Properties:

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to award the bid to Jason Gaydos with Slaton Automotive for the demolition of the Substandard Structure properties. Motion carried unanimously.

24. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Taliaferro and a second was made by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

Clifton Shaw

Clifton Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela King

Pamela King, TRMC City Secretary

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