

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, March 19, 2026, in the council chamber at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The council stood for prayer led by Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski, followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Mayor Lance Smiga, Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios, Councilperson District 2 Katrina Callis, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds and Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Finance Director Valerie Callaway, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Staff Writer Beth Foley and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Utility Director Brad Ryan was absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 5, 2026:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve March 5, 2026, minutes. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Lydia Jordan, Mickael Jordan

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

"During the council meeting, as each item is addressed, the council shall also allow the audience to speak on any subject matter that is posted on the agenda in accordance with HB 2840. The council may not take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda." Please limit comments to two minutes.

Chief of Police Kenneth Pyle introduced the new Patrol Officer Steven Gonzalez.

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH REQUESTED BY GOLDEN CRESCENT CHILDREN'S PROJECT:

City Manager Gary Broz stated a proclamation declaring April to be Child Abuse Awareness Month was requested by the Golden Crescent Children's Project. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve proclamation declaring April Child Abuse Awareness Month as requested by the Golden Crescent. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO SUSPEND CENTERPOINT ENERGY'S NEW RATES FOR 45 DAYS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated Centerpoint Energy has new rates, and we need to suspend them for 45 days. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve suspending the new rates for 45 days. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #2026-03, CANCELLING THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2026:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that we need to cancel the May 2, 2026, Municipal Election. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the second reading of ordinance 2026-03 to cancel the May 2, 2026, Municipal Election. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED UPDATED CITY OF EDNA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS PROPOSED BY CONSULTANTS AND RECOMMENED BY CITY OF EDNA PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that the city has had several workshops and public hearing for the Edna Comprehensive Plan. Broz stated it is at its final stage, and it has been recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mayor Lance Smiga talked about the current and proposed map to make sure everyone understood the changes. Council members engaged and spoke on the proposed subject. Public hearing ended at 6:14 p.m.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO 2026-04 AMENDING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS PROPOSED BY CONSULTANTS AND RECOMMENED BY CITY OF EDNA PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the first reading of ordinance 2026-04 amending Comprehensive Plan as proposed by consultants and recommended by City of Edna Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-05 AMENDING THE CITY OF EDNA'S CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 3- BUILDING REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 6 LAND USE AND BUILDING, CHAPTER 7 BUILDING REGULATIONS (AREA), CHAPTER 14 PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND CITY'S LAND USE MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMET MAP:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the first reading of ordinance 2026-05 amending the City of Edna's Code of Ordinance chapter 3-building regulations, chapter 6 Land Use and Building, chapter 7 Building Regulations (area), chapter 14 Plan Development and City's Land Use Management Development Map. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

None.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that bills totaling \$292,127.24 need to be paid. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$292,127.24. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

“At this time, City Council will hear reports/updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but are not limited to, the following: City Manager—grants, projects, public information; Finance Director—finance & department reports; Police Department—grant updates, police reports; Director of Utilities—park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department—repairs/projects; Code Enforcement—progress reports; Jonas Titus—Victoria Economic Development; City Secretary—public information.”

- **City Manager Gary Broz** reported that the CO Project is hung up on Brackenridge; water valves are a find and seek, have a pre-construction meeting on Thursday the 26th for the Kleas Water Generator, Civilcorp is winding down the surveying for the MIT Project, the GLO Reallocation Project is in bid stage, will be submitting the TWDB Water Line Replacement Project next week, looking in a grant from HEB for trees, working on getting the pool ready for summer, YMCA has been contacted to operate but have not replied, working on setting the week of April 27th to May 1st as Cleanup Week, had one-on-ones meetings with Department Heads; discussed budgets as to what they plan on completing this year, working on GLO DR Grant to complete the drainage work in District 2 which leads to we will need to do a door-to-door survey throughout the city to look for areas that we can apply for grants; will need you assistance to walk the streets with staff, staff is continuing to work on plans for the 100th birthday celebration, will have a Building and Standards meeting next Tuesday with 9 structures on the agenda and continuing to work on the cat issues and the Animal Shelter but nothing to report at this time.

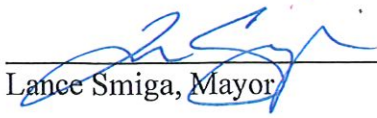
- **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported information about the 100th Birthday Celebration.

- **Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski** reported they are patching potholes all over town, correcting a drainage issue on Erie Street, replaced 3 driveways culverts, removed a couple of trees on Erie St., replaced the culvert pipe at Guadalupe and Houston St., trimmed trees on Vale St., trimmed a tree at US 59 Frontage Rd., TxDot is finishing up the drainage issues on the Southbound Frontage Rd between Whataburger and Dry Creek, finished cleaning a ditch on CR 118, replaced a culvert pipe on the east side of the Edna Little League Field at Shelby Park.

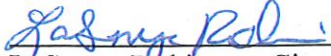
- **Police Chief Kenneth Pyle** reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 80 traffic stops resulting in 32 citations and 76 warnings, had one-on-one with Gary, received a call of a suspicious male subject with a middle eastern accent asking about a local Christian church.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.



Lance Smiga, Mayor



LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary