

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, April 17, 2025, in the council chambers 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 by Andy Brzozowski followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 3, 2025:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve April 3, 2025, minutes. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: No visitors

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 two minutes.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE AGREEMENT WITH YMCA TO OPERATE THE CITY SWIMMING POOL THIS SUMMER AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz said YMCA sent over another agreement for \$33,485 for a total of 61 days. Broz said he thinks we should accept the agreement and start working on other options for next year. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to accept the YMCA agreement for \$33,485.00. Councilperson Friderich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR THE TEXANA ARTS COUNCIL FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE NEON LIGHTING ON THE EDNA THEATER AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Jake Srp with Texana Arts Council stated the Texana Arts Council would like the city to help fund the repairs of the marquee at the Edna Theater. Jake stated the money they have earned will repair the roof and the structure of the building. Jake stated work will start May 1, 2025. City Manager Gary Broz stated that it would be a total of \$43,000.00. Broz stated it would be best to split the payment into three and pay over the next three years. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the \$43,000.00 and have it split into three payments over three years. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2025-05, A RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH FEDERAL (FEMA) AND STATE (TWDB) GRANT APPLICATIONS AND MANAGEMENT OF SAID GRANTS, EDNA CITY COUNCIL APPOINT GARY BROZ, CITY MANAGER AS THE SUBRECIPIENT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (SAR) AND GRANT SIGNATORY AUTHORITY FOR SAID GRANTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF EDNA TEXAS:

City Manager Gary Broz stated resolution 2025-05 is for authorized representative to be able to answer questions for the Post Oak Grant. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve resolution 2025-05 a

resolution in connection with Federal (FEMA) and state (TWDB) Grant application and management. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DEMONSTRATE THE PROCESS ON HOW UTILITY BILL PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN UPDATED AND THE PAYMENT PROCESS IN THE NEW INCODE SOFTWARE:

City Manager Gary Broz stated we have gone live with our new credit card machines and online payments. Broz stated he would like to demonstrate the different payment options. Finance Director Valerie Callaway logged in to her online account and went through the online process as well as showing a bill with the QR code that directs you straight to make a payment.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

No action taken.

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

The City Manager stated that we need to pay bills totaling \$204,214.33. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve paying bills totaling \$204,214.33. Councilperson Jackson 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 is 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 Broz stated that we are continuing to spray mosquitoes, when the wind is not blowing too fast, GOLIVE continues to move ahead. Few complaints as we are not taking credit cards over the telephone. We are directing customers to the QR Code or online, we are down to 29 meters to replace, continuing to wait on the announcement of the GCRPC/GLO Mit Drainage Grant, all RFI's answered on the TWDB/FEMA Post Oak Branch Grant, the 2022 TDEM Generator Grant is still in the design stage, will have Hurricane Disaster Contracts for you at the next meeting, brush is slowing down, had 125 this week, the Shelby Project is completed except for the fence painting, continuing to look for options on the Animal Shelter.

Finance Director Valerie Callaway said that our new payment program implemented on April 4th, and everything has been exceptionally smooth, receiving Hotel/Motel tax revenue,

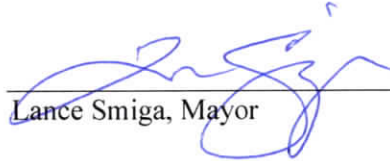
Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski stated they have finished cleaning both ditches on Asbeck Lane, leaned the East facing ditch on Dewberry Lane, teamed with the Water Dept. to repair a water leak on S. East St., removed two very large piles of garbage and disposed of them at the Jackson County Transfer Station, removed a collection of fallen trees and limbs throughout the city, spraying mosquitoes, stop signs and street name signs are ordered from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, waiting on a new Guardian 190 mosquito fogger and two drums of insecticide, man lift has been reserved for Monday morning to help with cutting low limbs on Gilbert Street.

Parks Supervisor Jaime Liepe they are mowing daily, sprayed weed killer on all walking tracks and around all play areas and fixtures at all the parks, helped cut trees with the Street Dept.

Police Chief Kenneth Pyle stated that from the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 36 traffic stops, resulting in 26 citations, 29 warnings were issued, 4 arrests were made due to a variety of offenses. EPD had 195 calls for service, investigated motor vehicle crashes and attended the Texas Police Chief's Association Conference.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.



Lance Smiga, Mayor

LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary