

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, March 5, 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 were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Finance Director Valerie Callaway, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Staff Writer Beth Foley and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich was absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2026:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve February 19, 2026, minutes. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Pamela Hughes, Delia Tomanek, Mason Garcia, 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.

None

CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2026-08, AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES PERTAINING TO THE APPLICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION, IF AWARDED, OF THE CITY’S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY (CBDG-DR), LOCAL COMMUNITIES PROGRAM (LCP) FUNDING FROM THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) UNDER THE 2024 DISASTER DR-4781 TEXAS SEVERE STORMS AND DR-4798, HURRICANE BERYL AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT:

City Manager Gary Broz stated phase 2 for District 2 waterlines. Broz stated there was only 1 bid returned and it was from Traylor & Associates. Broz stated that the resolution must be approved to move forward with the process. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve resolution 2026-08, awarding a contract for Grant Administration Services pertaining to the application and implementation. Councilperson Palacios second the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER CLOSURE OF ED LINN STREET BETWEEN MAIN ST. AND HOUSTON ST. FOR THE JACKSON COUNTY CARES, WALK WITH YOU CANCER WALK ON APRIL 19, 2026 AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated the Jackson County Cares Group would like to close Ed Linn St. between Main St. and Houston St. for the Walk with You Cancer Walk on April 19, 2026.

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the closure of Ed Linn on April 19, 2026.

Councilperson Callis second the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ACCEPTING THE ANNUAL RACIAL PROFILE REPORT FROM THE EDNA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Police Chief Kenneth Pyle went over the Annual Racial Profile Report from the Edna Police Department. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to accept the Annual Racial Profile Report. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated candidates for District 3,4, &5 are unopposed and we need to do a certification of unopposed candidates. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the Certification of Unopposed candidates. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONDUCT FIRST 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 ordinance 2026-03 to cancel the May 2, 2026, Municipal Election. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD UNDER HB 500 WATER SUPPLY AND INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM FOR WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz that HB 500 set aside \$800 million for one-time awards for infrastructure improvements for water, with \$71 million being for small businesses. The maximum request is capped at \$5 million, with cities not required to contribute matching funds, he said, explaining the city will seek between \$2.5 million and \$3 million. Councilperson Callis made a motion to approve submitting the grant application to the Texas Water Development Board under HB 500 Water Supply and Infrastructure Grant Program. Councilperson Dodds 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 \$75,479.66 need to be paid. Councilperson Palacios made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$75,479.66. 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 new banner's the Friends of Edna purchased are being installed, the 2024/2025 Audit is underway, continuing to keep the MIT Grant moving, working on Contract for the Kleas Generator and have not received any additional information on the requested funds, the CO Project is going with crews installing new water lines on Brackenridge, Planning & Zoning Agenda for Tuesday March 10th is given to everyone and will be on Council agenda on the 19th, we have had two meeting on planning for the City's 100th Birthday next meeting is Tuesday the 17th at 5:30, will have One-on-One scheduled for next week with Department Heads, working on parking at Shelby Park.

- **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported the 2024-2025 Audit is going well and she was in the office on February 25th and 26th. 29 new water accounts, 16 final outs and 2 transfers.

- **Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski** reported they are patching potholes all over town, installed new driveway on E. Cedar St., replaced some pipe on Erie, cut down a couple of trees at the corner of Cora and Cottonwood St., cleaned ditch between Guadalupe St. and Pumphery St, mowed and trimmed sidewalks, trimmed grass in different areas of town and stated cleaning a ditch on CR 118.

Utility Director Brad Ryan reported 2" Water leak on Sunset was repaired, mowed and sprayed weeds at Sewer Plant and Lift Station, located valves for contractor, made sludge boxes, put in a couple of water taps, changed cutoff on Richard Browning St. changed 2 bearing at orbital and pressure washed paddle wheels.

- **Police Chief Kenneth Pyle** reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 86 traffic stops resulting in 31 citations and 101 warnings, met with EHS Interim Superintendent Bill Boyd to discuss compliance, Animal Control received a new chest freezer, and fitted Ofc. Skow for Angel Armor Body Armor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS MATTERS FROM TEXAS GOV'T SECTION 551.074: DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; CITY MANAGER:

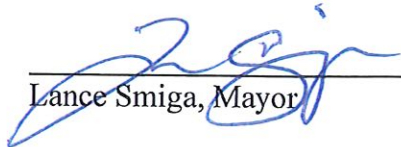
Executive session starts at 6:38 pm and ends at 6:54 pm.

TAKE ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.



Lance Smiga, Mayor



LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary