

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, September 25, 2025, in the council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dodds 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:

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, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Mayor Lance Smiga, and Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 11, 2025:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve September 11, 2025, minutes. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Pamela Hughes

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. Pamela Hughes let everyone know she need there paper work for the Veteran Parade and if they would like to participate in the Veteran Day Flag event.

CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2025/2026 CITY OF EDNA FISCAL YEAR BUDGET. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$29,047.00 OR 3.67%, AND OF THAT AMOUNT \$4,821.00 IS TAX REVE NE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR:

Held public hearing for 2025/2026 fiscal year.

CONSIDER SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2025-06 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS ADOPTING THE BUDGET OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2025; AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2026. APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #2025-06 an ordinance of the City of Edna, Texas adopting the budget of the City of Edna. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2025/2026 SETTING THE TAX AND TAX LEVY AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA:

Held public hearing on proposed 2025/2026 setting the tax and tax levy.

CONSIDER SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO 2025-07 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS SETTING THE TAX RATE AND TAX LEVY AND AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2025/2026 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance #2025-07 an ordinance of the City of Edna, Texas setting the tax rate and tax levy and ad valorem taxes for the City of Edna. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

No action taken.

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

City Manager Gary Broz stated that bills totaling \$220,371.96 need to be paid. Councilperson Callis made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$220,371.96. Councilperson Palacios 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.”

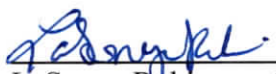
- City Manager Gary Broz reported that he is continuing to work on year-end closure, working with auditor on 2023/2024 audit, blending systems, preparing for next year's budget and tax rate, updating system, continuing to work with GLO on the MIT Grant, working with TDEM, on the WWTP and Jackson, Gayle Grants, have a pre-bid meeting Thursday the 2nd of October for the '24 CO Project, setting up meeting with P&Z on the Comp. Plan and Zoning update grant, the house on Church Street is basically gone, surplus sale brought in \$41,789.00, finalizing application for the 2025/2026 Solid Waste Grant due Oct 3rd, will meet next week for regular Council meeting.

- Finance Director Valerie Callaway reported she has been working with auditor getting all the information needed, received payment of the City Sales, and Use Tax allocation summary on September 12th meter repairs invoices has been mailed.
- Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski reported that they have been mowing and trimming along S. East Street and some others, patched potholes all over town, trimmed trees on Ezzell St., commenced cleaning ditches along Ezzell St. added limestone to Lavaca St., replaced a driveway culvert and cleaned the ditches on Fredrick St., checked drains, trimmed brush on N. Kleas St.
- Utility Director Brad Ryan reported they have repaired water leaks, installed booster pumps at Kleas well, repaired water mains, removed aerator shaft on orbital and sent to machine shop, jetted sewer line in alley behind Main St.
- Police Chief Kenneth Pyle reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 28 traffic stops resulting in 17 citations and 24 warnings, continuing to work the school zones and crosswalk, assisted security with Lizabeth case, attended "See You At the Pole", received \$10,000.00 from Building Bridge Foundation to assist with the training budget.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.


Lance Smiga, Mayor


LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary