

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, January 8, 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, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Staff Writer Beth Foley and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD DECEMBER 4, 2025:

Councilperson Friedrich made a motion to approve December 4, 2025, minutes. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Pamela Hughes, Jahan Fabbos

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.

Jahan Fabbos gave a brief rundown of his opinion of parts of Edna. He would like the city to come out and take a look. City Manager Gary Broz received his information and will meet with him.

RECEIVE THE 2023/2024 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Melissa Terry with Harrison, Waldrop & Uherek, LLP came to report the 2023/2024 Audit Report. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to accept the 2023/2024 Audit. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

CONSIDER FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2026-01, AMENDING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE:

City Manager Gary Broz stated we need to update the Master Fee Schedule. Council had some questions about the fees of some. Broz stated we can look over the fees and see if changes need to be made even after the 1st reading. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the first

reading of ordinance 2026-01, amending the Master Fee Schedule. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION #2026-01, A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR THE COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT-DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM (CDBG-DR) PROGRAM FOR GLO STATE CONTRACT NUMBER 24-074-009-F149:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that we need to designate authorized signatories for the Community Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program. Councilperson Callis made a motion to approve resolution 2026-01 to designate authorized signatories for the Community Block Grant-Disaster Recovery Program. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PROCLAIMING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF EDNA, AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated we need to proclaim April as Fair Housing Month. Councilperson Palacios made a motion proclaim April as Fair Housing month. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION NO 2026-02, A RESOLUTION REGARDING CIVIL RIGHTS WHICH INCLUDES THE FOLOWING POLICIES:

- Citizen Participation Plan and Grievance Procedures
- Section 3 Policy
- Excessive Force Policy
- Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Standard Plan
- Section 504 Policy and Grievance Procedure
- Code of Conduct Policy
- Fair Housing Policy

City Manager Gary Broz stated there are 7 policies regarding civil rights needed to complete a grant. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve resolution 2026-2, a resolution regarding Civil Rights. 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 \$75,818.26 need to be paid. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$75,818.26. Councilperson Friedrich 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 contractor is moving equipment this week to start the CO project and we are waiting for schedule to get the information out, continuing to track our water loss 18 to 20% average, grants going slow, little league is working on old concession stand and painting the building blue, continuing to work on liens that we have with deceased owners, continuing to put together a project with the County to rehab S. East from Division to 111 and Lavaca from Main to Victoria, Gary and Valerie are constantly working on our finances, had one-on-one meeting with Department Heads, want to look at 3% raise across the board in early February.

- **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported the City received ad valorem tax and hotel tax revenue. Edna City of Lights proceeds were used to purchase lights. The City received \$5,500 in sponsorship as of 01/08/2026.

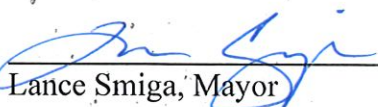
- **Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski** reported ditch cleaning from Gilbert Road north to Miracle Drive drainage crossing Vanderbilt, tree trimming and removal, replacing five driveways with new pipe, replacing pipe under Gilbert Road, removing trees on Lincoln, Washington, and Erie Streets, hauling grass clippings from Shelby Park, leveling dirt piles, helping mow grass, and patching potholes.

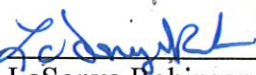
- **Utility Director Brad Ryan** reported they repaired water leaks; repaired water main, installed sewer tap, replaced, scrubbed the clarifier at Sewer Plant, repaired collapsed Sewer Main, changed CI Bottles, changed oil in the gearboxes dead end flushing and jetted sewer main on W. Gayle St.

- **Police Chief Kenneth Pyle** reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 181 traffic stops resulting in 75 citations and 208 warnings; continuing to work the school zones and crosswalks; Christmas for kids was successful \$3,037.64 that helped us take a total of 15 kids shopping, parades were successful, been working on Motor Vehicle Report/racial profile report, worked OLS where a traffic stop resulted in the arrest.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.


Lance Smiga, Mayor


LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary