

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, April 2, 2026, in the council chamber at 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 5:00 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, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Police Investigator Mark Matlock, 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 MARCH 19, 2026:

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

VISITORS:

Jeff Woodring; John & Barbara James, Don & Gladys Orsak, Louis & Joycelyn Kozelsky, Patrick & Theresa Martin-Parsons and Patrick Brzozowski.

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

DISCUSS PROPOSAL FROM OUTREACH COMMITTEE OF ST. AGNES CATHOLIC CHURCH REQUESTING PLACEMENT OF 2-MURAL TO BE PAINTED ON THE EDUCATION BUILDING AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

John James with the Outreach Committee of St. Agnes Catholic Church stated they would like to paint “Jesus, I Trust In You” and “St. Agnes of Rome” on the left and right cores on the front of the Religious Education Building. Councilperson Friedrich made a motion to approve the two murals on the Education Building of the Catholic Church. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

SECOND 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 second reading of ordinance 2026-04 amending Comprehensive Plan as proposed by consultants and recommended by City of Edna Planning and Zoning Commission. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

SECOND 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 DEVELOPMENT MAP:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve the second 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 Jackson 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 \$147,720.63 need to be paid. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$147,720.63. Councilperson Callis 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 moving; water lines are being installed on Division around Gilbert St., had pre-construction meeting for the Kleas Generator, CivilCorp is in design stage on the MIT project, submitted the water line replacement grant last Thursday, waiting to see if we will get an invitation to submit a full application, continuing to work on pool, working with the Calhoun County YMCA to operate the pool for the summer, flyer is out for the April 27th to May 1st Cleanup Day, staff continue to work on plans for the Birthday Celebration to be held June 13th, had a Building and Standards Meeting last week, having 9 structures that will be torn down by owner or if not the city will demo the structures, Street Department found some issues with the drainage pipes going down Gayle, Valerie

completed March Financials, continuing to work on 2024/2025 Audit, the new banners are installed around the city, working with Project Remodel, a business will repurpose the Rice Dryer on Fannin Street.

- **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported monthly sales tax for March, been working with Melissa on 2024/2025 Audit and hope she will present at next meeting, 23 new accounts, 11 final out accounts and 3 transfer, still working on June 13th 1st Annual Flag City Celebration.

- **Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski** reported they are patching potholes all over town, cleaned a ditch on Erie St. from Cedar to MLK, clearing the W. Gayle drainage ditch, North side, from Pumphery to Apollo Drive, there is an issue with the drainage structure on the South side of W. Gayle, trimmed grass and started shredding the streets

- **Utility Director Brad Ryan** reported they reset valve can on Sunset, installed sewer tap at Fire Station, replaced meter box on Vanderbilt Rd, trimmed trees at Lift Station, disconnects/reconnects, sewer stoppage on Bois D' Arc, repaired check valve at Kleas water well, repaired 6' water leak on Fannin St. and Reed St., pulled pump at E. Main Lift Station, repaired meter leak at Rice Belt, did dead end flushing.

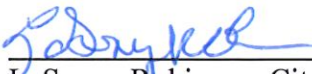
- **Investigator Mark Matlock** reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 78 traffic stops resulting in 30 citations and 83 warnings, Officers have completed annual firearm qualifications, there were two pursuits during the last two weeks, Officer Henry worked on a fatality crash investigation on US 59 in front of Tractor Supply, Chief Pyle is in training at the TPCA Conference.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.



Lance Smiga, Mayor



LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary