

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, September 28, 2026, in the council chamber at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:30 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, 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 Chief Bryan Martin, Staff Writer Beth Foley, and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Councilperson. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

VISITORS: Jessica Coleman

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.

CONSIDER SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-07 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS ADOPTING THE BUDGET OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2026; AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2027. APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that approval was needed for the second reading of Ordinance No. 2026-07. Councilperson Jackson moved to approve the ordinance adopting the City of Edna budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO 2026-08 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS SETTING THE TAX RATE AND TAX LEVY AND VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXS FOR THE YEAR 2026/2027 REPLEAING ALL ORDINACE OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that approval was needed for the second reading of Ordinance No. 2026-08. Councilperson Dodds moved to approve the ordinance setting the tax rate and tax

levy and ad valorem taxes for the City of Edna for year 2026/2027. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN JACKSON COUNTY, TEXAS, JACKSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that Jackson County has been providing patrol coverage because the City currently has no patrol officers. He explained that an interlocal cooperation agreement is needed between the City of Edna, Jackson County, and the Jackson County Sheriff's Office. Councilperson Palacios asked whether county officers could enforce city ordinances while patrolling. Broz confirmed that they could and stated that the City would pay the officers for time worked and reimburse fuel costs. Councilperson Dodds moved to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Edna, Jackson County, and the Jackson County Sheriff's Office. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUEST FROM PORT LAVACA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE TRANSFER OF A BALLISTIC VEST FOR BRITTANY BAILEY AND DECLARE A SURPLUS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that Brittany Bailey, now employed by the Port Lavaca Police Department, requested that her ballistic vest be declared surplus and transferred to that department. Councilperson Jackson asked whether the departments could exchange vests. Chief Martin said he would contact Port Lavaca. Councilperson Friedrich moved to declare the ballistic vest surplus and transfer it to the Port Lavaca Police Department. 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 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 we Bryan Martin is official, the CO project is continuing to move, opened bids for the Sunset generator last week and will award at Thursday meeting, continuing to work on the environment part of the MIT project, police generator is still in paperwork stage, working on specifications for the Animal Shelter and requesting bids to put the animal bed on the new pickup, had a zoom call with Standard and Poor's last week about our bond rating as we have used reserves for the past two years; it was a good call, trying to close out the GLO Comprehensive Plan Grant, GLO Reallocation Grant complete this week Mercier Control is doing the project, P&Z Commission meeting tomorrow evening at 6:00 p.m. for the County, across from the Rice Dryer on W. Main, Fire Marshal, Building inspector and Code Enforcement are working with Best Western to help them pass Fire Inspection.

• **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported that she has been working on 2026-2027 budget with Gary, Melissa with Harrison, Waldrop, & Uherek, L.L.P was on site Monday, 2025/2026 Operation Lonestar has ended and money received was \$5,986.26, working on quarterly reports and closing out the fiscal year.

• **Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski** reported Kenny and Joel have been busy with Dura-Patcher truck, cleaned the east ditch on Ward St. between Yuba Dam and Rowlett, replaced two culvert pipes on Ward St., added gravel base material to the dead-end park on Ezzell St and removed a dead pecan tree at the corner of Pumphery and Dugger St

• **Utility Director Brad Ryan** reported that they repaired water leaks, cleaned clarifier and U/V lights, installed sewer tap, pulled E. Main Lift Station pump and de-ragged it.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY ON MATTERS INVOLVING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION OR OTHER MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT:

The council entered executive session at 6:50 p.m.

TAKE ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken

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

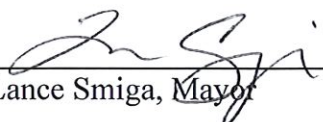
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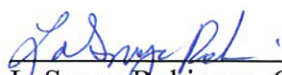
TAKE ACTION AS A RESULT OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.


Lance Smiga, Mayor


LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary