



Regular Council Meeting
April 21, 2026

6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Owner, Robert Johnson, did not attend public hearings to state his case or contest the city's abatement of his property.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order, roll call, establish a quorum.

Mayor Ron Humphrey called the regular meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Present were Council members Carr, Bowie, Williams, Foster, and Thompson. A quorum was established.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation led by Mayor Humphrey and Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief McCrary.

3. Public Comments

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Act, the city council can engage the public regarding agenda items, however, the city council cannot respond to the public on non-agenda items. Speakers are given three minutes each to speak on agenda items. For non-agenda items speakers will be given three minutes each, not to exceed fifteen minutes.

No speakers

4. Consent Agenda:

- Minutes for March 17, 2026, Regular Council meeting
- March Statement of Revenue and Expenditures/All Funds
- March Check Register/All Funds
- March Trial Balance Summary for Cash Account Balances
- Departmental Reports

Motion made by Council member Bowie to approve consent agenda as presented.

Council member Foster seconded the motion. All voted in favor of, motion carried.

5. Lee Elliot, EDC Director to present the council with updates on the SIDC and CDC.

The Garden Club worked closely with the junior high and high school students on Earth Day cleaning up around the ball fields. Eaves Property – brought on a national recruiting firm to capture business before it gets to Texarkana, positive note, we have gotten three hits from people wanting to talk with us. The second area we want to start working on is the downtown district. The Data Center project – the development group wants to extend the due diligence period. Housing

committee will start meeting to determine how to stimulate growth. Grants from Communities Unlimited – provide assistance for low to moderate income households.

6. Consider and take official action to approve Resolution 26-R-05 - A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A WATER CONSERVATION AND DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN.
Motion made by Council member Bowie to approve Resolution 26-R-05. Council member Foster seconded the motion. All voted in favor of, motion carried.
7. Consider and take official action to adopt Resolution 26-R-06 — A RESOLUTION REGARDING CIVIL RIGHTS, CITY OF NEW BOSTON for compliance with CDBG Grant - Glo Contract #23-160-148-F577.
Motion made by Council member Bowie to adopt Resolution 26-R-06. Council member Foster seconded the motion. All voted in favor of, motion carried.
8. Councilman Jeffery Thompson to address the council regarding the ball fields at Scrapp Miller park.
The Mayor and City Council thanked Jeffery for volunteering his services to improve Scrapp Miller ball fields at no cost to the city.
9. Mayor Ron Humphrey to name new appointment(s) to the SIDC and CDC board(s).
Mayor Humphrey appointed David Turner to the SIDC board with a motion from Council member Foster, seconded by Council member Bowie. All voted in favor of, motion carried.

Mayor Humphrey removed Chad Duffer from the CDC board, appointing Clay Garrett to the CDC Board as his replacement with a motion from Council member Thompson, seconded by Council member Bowie. All voted in favor of, motion carried.
10. Mayor Ron Humphrey to Proclaim May 4th through May 8th as Economic Development Week.
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11. Mayor Ron Humphrey to Proclaim May 7th as National Day of Prayer.
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12. Adjourn
Motion made by Council member Thompson to adjourn. Council member Williams seconded the motion. All voted in favor of, motion carried.

Approved this 19th day of May 2026.



Ron Humphrey, Mayor

ATTEST:



Pollyanna Moore, City Secretary