

STATE OF TEXAS :
COUNTY OF HOWARD :
CITY OF BIG SPRING :

The City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, met in a Regular Meeting in the City Council Chambers located at 307 E. 4th St., Big Spring, Texas, at 5:30 PM, July 8, 2025, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER HOMER WILKERSON
COUNCIL MEMBER DANIEL MORENO
COUNCIL MEMBER GLORIA BLACKBURN

Same and constituting a quorum, for which four Council Members must be present; and the following staff in person;

TODD DARDEN	City Manager
JOHN MEDINA	Assistant City Manager
ANDREW HAGEN	City Attorney
SHANE BOWLES	Public Works Director
CHAD WILLIAMS	Police Chief
JAY HOLT	Fire Chief
MIKE FEELEY	Airpark Director
SANDY SMITH	Finance Director
SUSAN HIMES	Community Services Director
TAMI DAVIS	City Secretary
MANDY HAYNES	Municipal Judge

Open Session

Call to Order

Mayor Moore called the City Council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Invocation

Don Smith gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag

Mayor Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

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There were no public comments at this time.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearings

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the below listed public hearings, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING for Consideration and Possible Action Regarding the Contemplated Annexation of a Property being 443.607 acres, more or less, in Section 4, Block 33, Howard County, Texas, Located Entirely Within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of and Contiguous to the City of Big Spring, and Identified as Parcel 297545 by the Howard Central Appraisal District of Howard County, Texas, and Provide Persons Interested in the Annexation the Opportunity to be Heard.

PUBLIC HEARING for Consideration and Possible Action Regarding the Contemplated Annexation of a Property being Approximately 127 acres Located Within the T&P RR Co Survey, Abstract No. A-362, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, Identified as Parcels 297584 and 297585 by the Howard Central Appraisal District of Howard County, Texas, Said Tracts Being Contiguous to the City of Big Spring, and Provide Persons Interested in the Annexation the Opportunity to be Heard.

There were no comments on the above captioned public hearings.

Close Public Hearings

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to close the above captioned public hearings, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Large Item Pickup, District 1 - July 16th
- Update - Tire Recycling Event

- Street Patching
- New Trash Truck

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows: Thoughts and prayers for those affected by the floods in South Texas; Large item pickup for District 1 will be on July 16th; The tire recycling event collected 800 tires; Will hire a contractor for street patching over 80 holes; The new trash truck is outside for anyone that would like to take a look at it.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 24, 2025

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 34 of the Big Spring City Code by Repealing Sections 34-1 and 34-3 Regarding the Municipal Court Security Fund and Municipal Court Technology Fund as State Law Makes such Ordinances no Longer Necessary; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Ordinance was Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Big Spring City Code to Provide for Minimum Standards at the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Ordinance was Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Big Spring City Code Establishing Rules and Regulations for the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Ordinance was Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinances, seconded by Council Member Blackburn.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5 Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 06/27/25 \$ 413,591.84

Council Member Moreno reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Moreno to approve the above

captioned vouchers, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Vouchers for 07/03/25 \$ 298,966.87

Council Member Ornelas reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the above
captioned vouchers, seconded by Council Member Blackburn.**

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

New Business

Acknowledge Receipt of the Quarterly Claims and Litigation Report from the City Attorney

Council Members acknowledged the above captioned report from the City Attorney.

First Reading of a Resolution Suspending the July 31, 2025, Effective Date of Oncor Electric Delivery Company's Request and to Establish Reasonable Rates; Approving Cooperation with the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor to Hire Legal and Consulting Services and to Negotiate with the Company and Direct any Necessary Litigation and Appeals; Finding that the Meeting at which this Resolution is Passed is Open to the Public as Required by Law; Requiring Notice of this Resolution to the Company and Legal Counsel for the Steering Committee; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; and Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution were Discussed were Open to the Public as Required By Law; and Establishing and Effective Date

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned
resolution, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.**

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of an Ordinance Annexing to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, a Tract Approximately 443.607 Acres, More or Less, in Section 4, Block 33, Howard County, Texas, Identified as Parcel 297545 by the Howard Central Appraisal District of Howard County, Texas, Located Entirely Within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of and Contiguous to the City Of Big Spring, and Being Further and More

Particularly Described Hereunder, on the Request of Cross-Ell Ranch Corporation as Landowner; Extending the Boundary Limits of the City of Big Spring so as to Include Said Property Within the City Limits of Said City; Granting to All the Inhabitants of Said Property All the Rights and Privileges of Other Citizens; Binding Said Inhabitants by All of the Acts, Ordinances, Resolutions, and Regulations of the City of Big Spring; Adopting a Municipal Services Agreement; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining That the Meetings at Which the Ordinance Was Discussed Were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

First Reading of an Ordinance Annexing to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, Approximately 127 Acres Located Within the T&P RR Co Survey Howard County, Texas Survey, Abstract No. A-362, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, Identified as Parcels 297584 and 297585 by the Howard Central Appraisal District of Howard County, Texas, Said Tracts Being Contiguous to the City of Big Spring and Further and More Particularly Described Hereunder, on the Request of Big Spring Economic Development Corporation as Landowner; Extending the Boundary Limits of the City of Big Spring so as to Include Said Property Within the City Limits of Said City; Granting to All the Inhabitants of Said Property All the Rights and Privileges of Other Citizens; Binding Said Inhabitants by All of the Acts, Ordinances, Resolutions, and Regulations of the City of Big Spring; Adopting an Annexation Agreement; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Legislation; Providing for Severability; Finding and Determining That the Meetings at Which the Ordinance Was Discussed Were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date.

No action taken on the above captioned ordinance and will be brought back at the next Council meeting.

Consideration and Possible Action to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Tax Deed for the Sale of Real Property Located on Lot 10, Block G, Moore Heights Addition, to the City of Big Spring, Commonly Known as 904 NW 2ND, Which is Held by the City of Big Spring, in Trust, to Rosa Elia Avila for the Sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$20,000.00).

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned sale of property, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Moreno, 4
Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: Council Member Ornelas

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MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Delegate Authority to the City Manager to Negotiate a Contract to Retain a Public Adjuster in Relation to Storm Damage to City-Owned Property and Assets.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned delegation of the City Manager to negotiate a contract with a public adjuster, seconded by Council Member Blackburn.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action Regarding a Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Big Spring, Texas and Owner Cross Ell Ranch Corporation and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned agreement, seconded by Council Member Blackburn.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Wilkerson, 5
Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action Regarding an Annexation Agreement between the City of Big Spring, Texas and Big Spring Economic Development Corporation and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents.

No action taken on the above captioned ordinance and will be brought back at the next Council meeting.

Council Input

Input

Council Member Ornelas asked some questions regarding the smart gov. software for permits. Sandy Smith, Finance Director explained the issues with them and hopefully we can start using the software soon.

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:05 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary