

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, September 23, 2025, with the following members present in person:

MAYOR ROBERT MOORE
COUNCIL MEMBER NICK ORNELAS
COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE YANEZ
MAYOR PRO TEM CODY HUGHES
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

Jerry Vincent, College Baptist Church, 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

Public Comment

One citizen spoke regarding his concerns on a zone change in the Kentwood area and one citizen asked the council to vote down the tax increase.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearings

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the below listed public hearings, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hughes.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 2905 WEST, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 2, BLOCK 1, NATHAN HUGHES SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: JEREMIE W. EBERSOLE AND HARRIET ELIZABETH EBERSOLE

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to abate the above captioned property (2905 West St.), seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 410 BELL, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 6, BLOCK B, EARLES SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: MARIA HERNANDEZ

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to abate the above captioned property (410 Bell), seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1502 ORIOLE, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL

DESCRIPTION: LOT 6, BLOCK 2, STARDUST SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: CYNTHIA MARIE RESENDEZ AND LIFE ESTATE OF CONSUELO GARCIA-TORRES

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to abate the above captioned property (1502 Oriole), seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 1502 LINCOLN, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 9, BLOCK 1, WILEY TERRACE SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: GWENDOLYN D. VANDERBILT AND MARTHA ANN VANDERBILT

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to abate the above captioned property (1502 Lincoln), seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hughes.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Close Public Hearings

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

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Update - Large Item Pickup, District 3
- Blowout at the Bunker - October 10th

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows:

Large item pickup for District 3 picked up 16 tons of items; and the annual Blowout at the Bunker Event will be held on October 11, 2025 at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airport.

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2025 and of the Special Meeting of September 16, 2025

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 48 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Traffic and Vehicles," Article I "In General," Section 48-10 School Speed Limit Zones 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 a Resolution Designating One Mailing Address and One Electronic Mail Address, and Approving One Electronic Submission Method Through the Internet for Receiving Written Public Information Requests; Providing for 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 an Effective Date

Final Reading of a Resolution Joining with the State of Texas and Political Subdivisions of the State as a Party in the Governmental Entity Shareholder Direct Settlement Agreement Secured by the Office of the Attorney General between the State of Texas and the Master Disbursement Trust, Pursuant to the Chapter 11 Plan Filed in re Purdue Pharma L.P., et al.; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Texas Settlement Subdivision Participation and Release Form; 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 an Effective Date

Final Reading of a Resolution Joining with the State of Texas and Political Subdivisions of the State as a Party in the Various Eight (8) Opioid Settlement Agreements Secured by the Office of the Attorney General between the State of Texas and Alvogen, Inc., Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC, Apotex Corp., Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc. F/K/A West-Ward Pharmaceuticals Corp., Indivior Inc., Viatris Inc., Sun Pharmaceutical Industries, Inc., and Zydus Pharmaceuticals (USA) Inc.; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Secondary Manufacturers' Subdivision Participation and Release Form; 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 an Effective Date.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Establishing the Pay Schedule for Classified Positions within the Police Department Effective October 1, 2025; Providing for Repeal of

Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; and Providing for an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Establishing the Fire Department Pay Scale Effective October 1, 2025, in Accordance with Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; Providing for the Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinance Entitled "Utilities," Article IV Entitled "Utility Service Charges," Section 50-92 Entitled "Charges for Water Rate" Subsection B Due to Increased Costs of Operating the Water Utilities; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date;

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 44 of the Big Spring Code of Ordinances Entitled "Solid Waste" Article 2 "Collection and Landfill Fees," Section 44-41. "Rates" to Include an Increase on Residential Rates and Commercial Rates; Providing for Severability; Providing for Publication; and Providing an Effective Date.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned minutes, ordinances and resolutions, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Other Business

Final Reading of an Ordinance Approving and Adopting an Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending September 30, 2026; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned budget without the CVB budget, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hughes.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the CVB budget, seconded by Council Member Nick Ornelas.

**YEAS: Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, Mayor Pro Tem 6
Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Blackburn, Council
Member Moreno**

NAYS:0

ABSTAIN: Mayor Moore

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MOTION PASSED

Final Reading of an Ordinance Fixing and Levying Municipal Ad Valorem Taxes for Said City for the Year 2025; Directing the Assessment and Collection Thereof; Providing for Severability; and Establishing an Effective Date

MOTION: "I Move that the Property Tax Rate be Increased by the Adoption of a Tax Rate of \$0.678903 per \$100 Taxable Assessed Valuation, Which is Effectively a 1.01108% Increase in the Tax Rate."

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned ordinance by moving that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.678903 per \$100 taxable assessed valuation, which is effectively a 1.01108% increase in the tax rate, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, 5

Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Blackburn

NAYS: Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Moreno 2

MOTION PASSED

Final Reading of an Ordinance Ratifying the Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget that will Require Raising More Revenue from Property Taxes than in the Prior Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget; and Providing an Effective Date

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

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Yanez, Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, 6

Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn

NAYS: Council Member Ornelas 1

MOTION PASSED

Vouchers

Vouchers for 09/04/25 \$ 80,490.19

Vouchers for 09/12/25 \$ 2,084,569.70

Mayor Pro Tem Hughes reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned vouchers, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7

Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action Awarding a Bid for a Compactor for the Landfill and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to award the above captioned bid to Humdinger Equipment LTD in the amount of \$949,000.00, seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

New Business

First Reading of a Resolution Finding that the Application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC ("Oncor") to Change Rates Within the City Should be Denied; Finding that the City's Reasonable Rate Case Expenses Shall be Reimbursed by Oncor; 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 Oncor and Legal Counsel

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned resolution, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of a Resolution Providing For the City's Approval or Disapproval of the Howard Central Appraisal District's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget; and Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution Were Discussed Were Opened to the Public as Required by Law

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned resolution, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

**YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

First Reading of a Resolution Designating Nominees for the Position of Director on the Howard Central Appraisal District Board of Directors for the Years 2026 and 2027; and Providing for an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to approve the above captioned resolution by nominating all five current members for the position of Director on the Howard Central Appraisal District Board of Directors, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action Regarding a Services Agreement with 1206 Security, LLC Security Services for the Big Spring Municipal Court and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned services agreement, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action Approving an Event Funding Request for the 2025 West Texas Cheer Competition

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned funding request in the amount of \$24,500.00, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Boards and Committees

Consideration and Possible Action on the Below Listed Boards & Committees By Reappointing Current Members that Expire on 9/30/2025, Three Removals & New Appointments:

McMahon/Wrinkle Aviation Advisory Board

Dist. 5 - Russ Rutledge, Current Member

Mayor - Robert D. Miller, Current Member

Board of Adjustments & Appeals

Dist. 1 - No Current Member

Dist. 3 - No Current Member

Dist. 4 - No Current Member
Dist. 5 - No Current Member
Dist. 6 - No Current Member
Mayor - Steve Herrin - Current Member

Planning & Zoning Commission

Dist. 5 - Felix Holguin, Current Member
Mayor - Beth Henry, Current Member

Zoning Board of Adjustments

Dist. 1 - Debbie Ramirez
Dist. 3 - Carrie Rodman

Alternates - Zoning Board of Adjustments

Dist. 1 - Maria Padilla
Dist. 2 - Jose Olivias - Remove from Board
Dist. 3 - No Current Member
Dist. 4 - No Current Member
Dist. 5 - No Current Member
Mayor - No Current Member

Animal Rescue and Adoption Committee

Dist. 3 - No Current Member
Dist. 5 - Brittany Hankins
Mayor - Jill Wilbanks

Parks and Recreation Board

Dist. 2 - Jose Olivias
Dist. 3 - No Current Member
Dist. 5 - Lucy Flores

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to reappoint current members, appoint new members and move one member from one board to another as listed above, seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn

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NAYS: None

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MOTION PASSED

Big Spring Economic Development Corporation

Dist. 1 - Cody Williams - Remove from Board
Dist. 2 - Anna Scott - Remove from Board
Mayor - Terry McDaniel

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to accept the resignation of Cody Williams and Kevin Armstrong from the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors and to reappoint Terry McDaniel, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to remove Anna Scott from the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors, seconded by Council Member Ornelas.

YEAS: Mayor Moore, Council Member Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, 7
Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member
Moreno, Council Member Blackburn
NAYS: None 0

MOTION PASSED

Big Spring-Howard County Joint Airport Zoning Board

2 City Appointments

Austin Sanchez

Motion was made by acclamation to appoint Austin Sanchez to the Big Spring-Howard County Joint Airport Zoning Board.

Council Input

Input

Council Member Ornelas thanked Todd for helping a citizen and thanked staff for their work on the budget.

Council Member Yanez also thanked staff on the budget.

Executive Session

ADJOURN into Executive Session in Matters Covered by Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, "Personnel Matters; Closed Meeting" to Deliberate the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline or Dismissal of the following:

City Attorney

City Manager

Municipal Judge

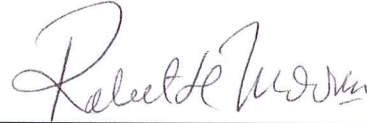
Mayor Moore adjourned into the above captioned executive session at 6:38 p.m.

Reconvene into Open Session and Take Any Necessary Action on Executive Session Items

Mayor Moore reconvened into open session at 6:55 p.m. with no action taken.

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:56 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary