

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, November 17, 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

Chase Pinkerton, Christ Fellowship 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 State Flag and to the Texas State Flag.

Public Comment

Public Comment

There were no comments made at this time.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearings

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING - Consideration and Possible Action Concerning Abatement of Public Nuisance, at 509 JOHNSON, BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 – LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 8, BLOCK 34, ORIGINAL TOWN SUBDIVISION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS – OWNER: THE ESTATE OF YVONNE KAY GAITHER QUALLS

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to abate the above captioned property (509 Johnson), seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hughes.

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

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NAYS: Council Member Ornelas

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MOTION PASSED

Close Public Hearings

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

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

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Large Item Pickup, District 5, Nov. 19th

- City Holidays - Thanksgiving Nov. 27th & 28th
- Update - E-Waste on Nov. 8th
- Update - October was Fire Prevention Month

Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows:
Large item pickup for District 5 will be on November 19th; Thanksgiving holidays for the City will be November 27th & 28th; The E-waste day collected about 2.8 tons of electronics; and October was Fire Prevention Month and the Fire Department visited 8 elementary schools; Festival of Lights will begin on Dec. 5th and go through the 31st; Reminder that the next council meeting will be on Dec. 9

Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 28, 2025

Final Reading of a Resolution Casting Vote(s) to Elect Directors for the Howard Central Appraisal District for the Years 2026 and 2027; and Directing the City Secretary to Submit the Official Ballot to the Chief Appraiser of the Howard Central Appraisal District Before December 15, 2025; Finding and Determining that the Meetings at Which the Resolution was Discussed were Open to the Public as Required by Law; and Providing an Effective Date

Final Reading of an Ordinance Pursuant to Chapter 311 of the Texas Tax Code, Creating Tax Increment Refinancing Zone Number One, City of Big Spring, Texas; 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 Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned minutes, resolution and ordinance, 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

Vouchers

Vouchers for 10/24/25 \$ 428,259.39
 Vouchers for 10/31/25 \$ 475,047.09

Council Member Wilkerson reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson 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

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MOTION PASSED

Vouchers for 11/07/25 \$ 644,994.51

Council Member Blackburn reviewed the above captioned vouchers.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Blackburn 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

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MOTION PASSED

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for Professional Consulting Services with Asbestos and Environmental Consulting LLC for the Bidding and Construction Phases of a Proposed Demolition Project For Buildings 1115, 1107, Pump Station and Water Tank at McMahon-Wrinkle Airport 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 Asbestos and Environmental Consulting LLC in the total amount of \$5,500.00, 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

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MOTION PASSED

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for a PPE Laundry Facility at Fire Station 1 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 Triple Play Construction in the amount of \$49,802.98, 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

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for a Loader and Attachments 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 Warren CAT in the amount of \$395,420.81, 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

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Loader for the Street Department 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 Warren CAT in the amount of \$221,208.34, 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 to Award Group Long-Term Disability and the Voluntary Life Insurance 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 The Standard, 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

Consideration and Possible Action to Award and Renew the 2026 Stop Loss Plan with ISU/Companion Life and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to award the above captioned bid to ISU/Companion Life, 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 to Award the Food and Beverage Services at the

Comanche Trail Municipal Golf Course Bid Request (RFP 25-026) to Agapito Cerda, Inc. and Authorize the City Manager or His Designee to Negotiate a Food/Beverage Services Agreement and Execute any Necessary Documents

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to award the above captioned bid to Agapito Cerda Inc. and authorize the City Manager to negotiate an 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

New Business

First Reading of a Resolution Establishing Texas Class as an Authorized Investment and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Application for Participation in Texas Class; and Declaring an Effective Date.

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

**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 Canvassing the Returns and Declaring the Results of the Special Election Held on the 4th Day of November, 2025, in the City of Big Spring, Texas; Finding and Determining that the Meeting at Which this Resolution was Discussed was 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 resolution canvassing the November 4, 2025 special election regarding Collective Bargaining for the Fire Department with the results being 722 votes for the measure and 806 votes against the measure, 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 Authorizing the Fire Chief to Execute Education Agreements with Firefighters and Emergency Medical Technician Recruits; Requiring Reimbursement for Tuition, Fees and Costs if Their Employment Terminates within One

Year of Completion of Training; 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

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to table the above captioned resolution. There was no second motion from the Council therefore the motion died for a lack of second.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Pro Tem Hughes to approve the above captioned resolution, 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

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 024-2025 Which Adopted the Annual budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending September 30, 2026 By Increasing the General Fund Budget to authorize the Expenditure of Funds for the Purchase of a Fishing Dock and the Installation at Comanche Trail Lake; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to approve the above captioned ordinance, 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

First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 024-2025 Which Adopted the Annual Budget for the City of Big Spring, Texas for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending September 30, 2026 by Increasing the General Fund Budget for the Purpose of Appropriation of Funds for the Collective Bargaining Election; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the above captioned ordinance, 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

Consideration and Possible Action to Accept the Following Donations to the Fire

Department:

- Occidental Petroleum Corporation (OXY)
- Atmos Energy

MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to accept the above captioned donations in the amount of \$5,000 from OXY and \$5,000 from Atmos Energy, 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 the Abatement Liens at 1309 Grafa and Authorizing the Mayor or His Designee to Sign any Necessary Documents.

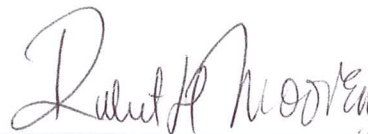
MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to waive the accumulated items amount of \$2,353.25 but not the demolition amount of \$7,450.93, seconded by Council Member Yanez.

**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

Adjourn

Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:20 p.m.



Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tami L. Davis, City Secretary