

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, March 24, 2026, 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

**Albert Belez 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**

Scott Emerson announced that the West Texas Veterans Memorial is in the middle of raising funds for some upcoming events and asked the City Attorney to complete the current lease.

Announcements, Presentations and Public Hearings

Open Public Hearing

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Mayor Moore to open the below 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** 7  
**NAYS: None** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

PUBLIC HEARING to Consider the Proposed Annexation of a 0.57-Acre Tract of Land, More or Less, out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, Located Entirely Within the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of and Contiguous to the City of Big Spring, and Conveyed to Danja Ann Gonzales by Bobby Dale Barber and Cheryl Ann Barber by a General Warranty Deed Dated July 10, 2025, and Recorded in Volume 2303, Pages 636-639 of the Real Property Records of Howard County, Texas, and Provide Persons Interested in the Annexation the Opportunity to be Heard.

**Shane Bowles, Public Works Director, explained that this is a piece of property located in the Kentwood subdivision that is being considered to be annexed. There were no comments made at this time.**

Close Public Hearing

**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** 7  
**NAYS: None** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

City Manager's Report

City Manager's report on the following items:

- Update - Large Item Pickup, District 3
- City Holiday - April 3, 2026, Good Friday

**Todd Darden, City Manager, reported on the above captioned items as follows: Large item pick up for District 3 picked up 9 tons of items; and the city offices will be closed on April 3, 2026 in observance of Good Friday.**

#### Consent Items

Approval of the City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2026

Acknowledge Receipt of the Big Spring Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors Minutes for the Special Meeting of February 10, 2026, the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2026 and the Special Meeting of March 3, 2026

Acknowledge Receipt of the McMahon-Wrinkle Aviation Advisory Board Minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2026

Acknowledge Receipt of the Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes for the Regular Meetings of August 19, 2025 and September 16, 2026

Final 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 Authorizing the Transfer of Appropriations Within the Airpark Fund for the Replacement of Both Hangar Doors at the Alert Hangars; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

Final 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, Authorizing an Increase and a Transfer of Appropriations, Within the Airpark Fund for A Professional/Consulting Services Agreement for the Development of a Comprehensive Multimodal Master Plan and an Airport Re-Branding Programing; and Providing for Severability; Providing and Effective Date.

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Structural Standards and Nuisance Abatement Ordinance of Big Spring, Texas, Subchapter A Entitled "General," Article A-1 Entitled "In General," by Amending in Part Section A-1.05, to Conform to State Law; 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 Approving a Tariff Authorizing an Annual Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM") as a Substitution for the Annual Interim Rate Adjustment Process

Defined by Section 104.301 of the Texas Utilities Code, and as Negotiated Between Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division ("Atmos West Texas" or "Company") and the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Atmos West Texas; Requiring the Company to Reimburse Cities' Reasonable Ratemaking Expenses; Adopting a Savings Clause; Determining that this Ordinance was Passed in Accordance with the Requirements of the Open Meetings Act; Declaring an Effective Date; and Requiring Delivery of this Ordinance to the Company and Legal Counsel for the Steering Committee

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the above captioned minutes and ordinances, 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 PASSED**

Final Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 1 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "General Provisions," by Amending in Part Section 1-2, Amending Chapter 12 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Buildings and Building Regulations," Article II Entitled "Building Codes," by Amending in its Entirety Section 12-48, Amending Chapter 40 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs," by Amending in Part Article II Entitled "Parks and Recreation Facilities," Division 1 Entitled "Generally," at Section 40-25, and Amending in Part Article V Entitled "Moss Creek Lake," at Section 40-163, and Amending Chapter 48 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Traffic and Vehicles," by Amending in Part Article IV Entitled "Stopping, Standing and Parking," at Section 48-111, and Amending in Part Article VI Entitled, "Tow Trucks," at Section 48-187, to Conform to State Law; 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 ordinance as amended, seconded by Council Member Wilkerson.**

**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**

as amended

Vouchers

Vouchers for 03/06/26 \$ 907,013.77

Vouchers for 03/13/26 \$ 939,823.10

**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, Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member Moreno, Council Member Blackburn** 7  
**NAYS: None** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

Bids

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for an Infield Groomer for the Roy Anderson Sports Complex and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Yanez to award the above captioned bid to GLK Turf Solutions in the amount of \$46,888.00, 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** 7  
**NAYS: None** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

Consideration and Possible Action to Award a Bid for the Birdwell Lane Reconstruction Project 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 CK Newberry in the amount of \$3,200,171.00, 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** 7  
**NAYS: None** 0

**MOTION PASSED**

New Business

Emergency Reading of a Resolution Determining That an Area of the City Contains Conditions Which Are Detrimental to the Public Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Community and Constitutes a Blighted Area; Declaring an Emergency; and Providing an Effective Date

Emergency Reading of a Resolution Authorizing the Submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Downtown Revitalization Program; Finding and Determining That the Meetings at Which the Resolution Were Discussed Were Open to the Public as Required by Law;

Declaring an Emergency; and Providing an Effective Date

Consideration and Possible Action on an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) for the 2026 Downtown Revitalization Program and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute any Necessary Documents

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the above captioned emergency resolutions and the above captioned agreement, seconded by Council Member Yanez.**

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

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**Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

**NAYS: None**

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**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 Revising the General Fund Budget for the Purpose of Purchasing Bent Grass for Emergency Repairs of the Greens at Comanche Trail Golf Course; Providing for Severability; 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 Ornelas, Council Member Yanez, Mayor Pro Tem Hughes, Council Member Wilkerson, Council Member**

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**Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

**NAYS: None**

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**MOTION PASSED**

First Reading of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Big Spring Providing for the Interpretation of References in the Big Spring City Code to Statutes, Rules or Ordinances, and Providing for the Adoption of Amendments to Provisions in the Big Spring City Code Which Contain a List, Amending Chapter 1 of the Big Spring Code Entitled "General Provisions" Sections 1-2 And 1-5; 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 Wilkerson to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hughes.**

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

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**Moreno, Council Member Blackburn**

**NAYS: None**

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**MOTION PASSED**

First Reading of an Ordinance Repealing Two Parts of the Big Spring City Code that Conflict with State Law on Interference with Public Duties, Amending Chapter 8 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Animals," Article I "In General," Section 8-3 by Amending in Part Subsection (a) and Repealing in its Entirety Subsection (b), and amending Chapter 38 of the Big Spring City Code Entitled "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions," Article I "In General," Section 8-2 by Repealing Section 38-2 in its Entirety, 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 ordinance, 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 an Ordinance Annexing to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, a Tract Approximately 0.57 Acres, More or Less, Out of the Northeast Quarter of Section 8, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, Said Tract Being 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 Danja Ann Hernandez 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 Council Member Wilkerson to approve the above captioned ordinance, seconded by Council Member Blackburn.**

**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 Approve a Municipal Services Agreement between the City of Big Spring and Danja Ann Hernandez and Authorizing the City Manager or His Designee to Execute any Necessary Documents.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Wilkerson to approve the above captioned 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**

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**MOTION PASSED**

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Plainview to Purchase Goods and Services Including Mosquito Control Services and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute any Necessary Documents.

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

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**MOTION PASSED**

Consideration and Possible Action to Approve a Tax Deed and the Sale of Real Properties Listed Below and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute any Necessary Documents:

Lot Twelve (12), Block One Hundred Two (102), in the Original Town of Big Spring, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, Commonly Known as 401 Sargent Paredes Street, and Held by the City of Big Spring, in Trust, to Daniel German Rodriguez Moncibais for the Sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$1,800.00)

Lot Twelve (12), Block Two (2), Mountain View Addition, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, Commonly Known as 1411 Mesa Avenue, and Held by the City of Big Spring, in Trust, to Rosa Elia Avila for the Sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$2,500.00)

Lot Three (3), Block Two (2), Stardust Addition, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, Commonly Known as 1408 Oriole Street, and Held by the City of Big Spring, in Trust, to Rosa Elia Avila for the Sum of Nineteen Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$19,000.00)

**MOTION WAS MADE BY Council Member Ornelas to approve the sale of the above captioned properties, 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**

Council Input

Input

**Council Members Ornelas and Yanez thanked the city staff. There were no further comments at this time.**

Adjourn

**Mayor Moore adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:16 p.m.**



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Robert H. Moore III, Mayor

ATTEST:



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Tami L. Davis, City Secretary