

CITY OF BANDERA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Bandera City Hall, 511 Main Street, Bandera, Texas Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 6:00 PM

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MINUTES

1. Call to order.

Th meeting was called to order at 6:00PM.

PRESENT

Mayor Denise Griffin

Councilmember Jeff Flowers

Councilmember Brett Hicks

Councilmember Lynn Palmer

Councilmember Debbie Breen

ABSENT

Councilmember Tony Battle

2. Invocation and Pledge.

Councilmember Flowers offered the invocation and all stood for the pledges.

3. Visitors to be heard (shall not exceed 30 minutes total).

Citizens wishing to be heard may do so on all matters except personnel matters, matters listed on the agenda as a public hearing, and matters under litigation. Each person addressing the council must provide his/her legal name and current address for city records and meeting minute preparation. Each person will only be allowed to speak on matters on the agenda during citizen's forum/public comment. No rebuttals will be permitted. Each person addressing the governing body shall not exceed three (3) minutes. Section 551.042, Government Code, V.T.C.A. (i.e. Texas Open Meetings Act) permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting, but any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. All remarks shall be addressed to the council as a body, and not to any individual member thereof. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks while addressing the council may be requested to leave the meeting.

Andrea Jankoski was the only visitor to be heard.

4. Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Councilmember Breen to approve the consent agenda, Seconded by Councilmember Palmer.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer, Councilmember Breen

Motion Passes

A. Approval of minutes from the Regular City Council Meeting on February 25, 2025.

5. Proclamations.

Mayor Griffin read the proclamation and presented it to the Red Cross representatives.

A. Proclamation for Red Cross Month.

6. Discussion and possible action on the following items:

A. Discussion and possible action on the renewal of the lease between the City of Bandera and BFI Waste Services of Texas L.P., dba Republic Services of San Antonio for an additional five (5) year term beginning October 1, 2025. City Administrator Farmer

City Administrator Farmer addressed Council and explained the lease with Republic Services and the reasoning for renewing the contract with no increase of rates. He added that Republic has always done a good job for the City and is eager to move forward with a new contract. Terry Gawlik and Bowen Crisp were present from Republic to offer their commitment to the City for any issues they have.

Motion made by Councilmember Palmer to approve the renewal of the lease between the City of Bandera and BFI Waste Services of Texas L.P., dba Republic Services of San Antonio for an additional five (5) year term beginning October 1, 2025, Seconded by Councilmember Hicks. Voting Yea: Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer, Councilmember Breen.

Motion Passes

B. Discussion and possible action on the City of Bandera (the "City") to consider approving a contingent fee contract with the law firm of Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP for the collection of Municipal Court Fines and Fees.

City Administrator Farmer, as well as Judge Mike Towers spoke on behalf of Ivy Arroyo with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP and the great work that he can do for The City.

Motion made by Councilmember Breen to terminate the contract wit the existing collection agency and move forward with approving a contingent fee contract with the law firm of Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP for the collection of Municipal Court Fines and Fees , Seconded by Councilmember Palmer.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer, Councilmember Breen.

Motion passes.

- C. Discussion and possible action on directing the Economic Development Corporation to forward financials to the City for assistance in preparation of the City Audit. Councilmember Palmer This item was removed from the agenda.
- D. Discussion on the process in place for parades and discuss additional safety rules and cleanup process. Councilmember Palmer

There was much discussion on the safety and security for the parades. There were concerns with people running out into the street and grabbing things from the floats. Also the lack of the motorcycle police keeping people back off the streets and how it is creating a break in between floats causing a slow down of the overall parade. There was much concern in the 1st block of Main because of the parking and people in between the cars. There was some discussion getting some type of barriers of fencing for that block for parades. There was also some discussion on the entry area for the parade and having it more controlled. There was no action on this item but a few council members along with the City Administrator are going to come back to Council at a later date with some suggestions.

7. Closed Session.

Mayor Griffin closed the meeting at 7:11 to go into closed session.

- A. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
 - A) Waste Water Treatment Plant
- B. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section §551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), Prohibition of weapons at City Hall.
- C. The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section §551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), Main Street Shop and Lofts.

8. Action following Closed Session.

Mayor Griffin opened the meeting at 7:59PM

Motion made by Councilmember Hicks to approve Resolution 2025-012 regarding item 7A, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer, Councilmember Breen

Motion Passes.

9. Requests and Announcements.

A. Requests by Council to place items on an agenda.

City Administrator Stan Farmer's review from October, Lawyer services regarding invoices and possible zoom attendance.

B. Announcements by Council.

May 10, 2025 Hazardous Waste Pickup for City Residence paid for with an ACOG grant for \$25,000.00

10. Adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM

<u>||s|| Jill Shelton</u>

Jill Shelton, City Secretary

The City Council for the City of Bandera reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matter listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code §551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), §551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), §551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), §551.074 (Personnel Matters), §551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and §551.086 (Economic Development). There may be a quorum of Economic Development Corporation/Planning and Zoning member at any regularly scheduled City Council Meeting. This facility is wheelchair accessible and handicapped parking is available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the City Secretary at (830) 796-3765. This agenda is posted in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 on March 7, 2025.

