

**CITY OF BASTROP
BASTROP CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 22, 2026**

The Bastrop City Council met in a Regular Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas, with the following action taken to wit:

Council Members Present

Mayor Ishmael Harris, Council Member Cynthia Meyer, Council Member Kerry Fossler, Council Member Perry Lowe, Council Member Kevin Plunkett

Council Members Absent

Mayor Pro-Tem John Kirkland

Staff Present

City Manager Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino	Assistant City Manager/ Fire Chief Andres Rosales
City Secretary Michael Muscarello	Deputy City Secretary Nichole Heinrich
City Attorney Charles Zech	Assistant to the City Manager Vivianna Andres
Public Information Manager Colin Guerra	Main Street Director Michaela Joyce
Finance Director Judy Sandroussi	
Development Services Director James Cowey	

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Harris called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - United States of America and Texas Flags

Emma Yañez and Isabella Yañez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Chaplain Bob Long, Bastrop Police Chaplain, delivered the Invocation.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4A. Mayor's Report

4B. Council Members' Report

4C. City Manager's Report

- **Project Updates**

4D. PROCLAMATION - National Bullying Prevention and Domestic Violence Awareness Month

The proclamation was read and signed by Mayor Ishmael Harris.

5. WORK SESSIONS/BRIEFINGS

None

6. STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS

Receive a presentation on the unaudited Monthly Financial Report for the period ending August 2026 (unaudited).

Submitted by: Judy Sandroussi, Finance Director

7. CITIZEN COMMENT(S)

Citizen(s) addressing the City Council on an item, not on the agenda: Keith Ahlborn, Dustin Vegas, Judah Ross, Renee Gjere, Joel Crounse, Jenny Almon, Kim Chapman, Chantelle Hulet, Damian Quiroz, Mark Murphy, Daniel Gonzales, Naomi Gonzales, Farah Presley, Kaycee Shilt, Michael Schilt, Brenda Ellsworth, Trever Ellsworth, June Ahlborn, Rayna Ellsworth, Maria Chronis, Peggy Dimmick, Ashley Nolette, Melanie Mullins, Cody McLain, John Koslowske, Rachelle Hulse, Darcy Long, Victoria Kreitner, Monique Kilcullen, Gina O'Brien, David Staudt, Deanna Dezarn, Deonte Watkins, Chris Dezarn, Rosalio Flores, Locke Rowley, Bill Ray, Dennis Butler, Lacy Shaw, Julio Ruiz, Aundrea Vegas, Pamela White, Courtney Nodurft, Claressa Reed, Jennifer Almon, Tyler Nodurft, Janelle Lowden, Faye Ellen Montgomery, Ken Del-Rio, Alex Henley, Harold Crowson, Mary Martin, Minerva Del-Rio, Jeff Ahlborn, Audrey Ahlborn, Ethan Ahlborn, Courtney Caliendo, Jo Wysocki, Vivienne Ahlborn, Wendy Journey, Jody Erb, and Julie Murphy.

Citizen(s) addressing the City Council on an item, on the agenda: Heather Greene, Jodie Smith, Nancy Leos, Ray Leal and Isabel Leal.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under "Consent Agenda" are considered to be routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be a separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

Mayor Harris called for requests to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion. No items were removed from the consent agenda.

8A. Consider action to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2026-33, amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12, titled "Traffic and Vehicle," Article 12.06.003 titled "Restricted Parking Near Schools" amended to read as described and attached hereto as Exhibit A; and provide for an effective date.

Submitted by: Vicky Steffanic, Chief of Police

- 8B. Consider and act on Resolution No. R-2026-13, ratifying and approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Bastrop and the Texas Division of Emergency Management relating to participation in the Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams Program, as attached in Exhibit A.

Submitted by: Andres Rosales, Assistant City Manager

- 8C. Consider and act to approve the Bastrop City Council minutes from the September 1st City Council Special Meeting, September 8th City Council Regular Meeting, and September 15th City Council Special Meeting.

Submitted by: Michael Muscarello, TRMC, CMC, CPM, City Secretary

MOTION: Council Member Plunkett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Council Member Meyer seconded the motion. Council voted 4-0. Motion carried.

9. **ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

Mayor Harris amended the order of the agenda moving to item 9C.

- 9C. Consider action to approve Resolution No. R-2026-132 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, confirming annual board appointments of the Mayor, as required in Section 3.08 of the City's Charter, as outlined in Exhibit A; and establishing an effective date.

Submitted by: Michael Muscarello, TRMC, CMC, CPM, City Secretary

MOTION: Council Member Meyer made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2026-132 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, confirming annual board appointments of the Mayor, as required in Section 3.08 of the City's Charter, as outlined in Exhibit A; and establishing an effective date. Council Member Fossler seconded the motion. Council voted 4-0. Motion carried.

Mayor Harris amended the order of the agenda moving to item 9A.

- 9A. Conduct a public hearing, consider and act on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-37, amending the Municipal Service Plan for +/-12.95 acres of land out of the Nancy Blakey Survey, Abstract No. 98, out of the remainder of a called +/-30.00 acre tract conveyed to Erhard Legacy Partners, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership, recorded in Document No. 201502919 of the Official Public Records of Bastrop County, Texas located within the city limits of the City of Bastrop, Texas, located

east of Edward Burleson Lane, and north of State Highway 71, more commonly known as "Burleson Crossing East", as shown in Exhibit "A"; and move to include on the October 13, 2026, Consent Agenda for a second reading.

Submitted by: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

Mayor Harris opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. No one spoke. Mayor Harris closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Meyer made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-37, amending the Municipal Service Plan for +/-12.95 acres of land out of the Nancy Blakey Survey, Abstract No. 98, out of the remainder of a called +/-30.00 acre tract conveyed to Erhard Legacy Partners, LTD., a Texas Limited Partnership, recorded in Document No. 201502919 of the Official Public Records of Bastrop County, Texas located within the city limits of the City of Bastrop, Texas, located east of Edward Burleson Lane, and north of State Highway 71, more commonly known as "Burleson Crossing East", as shown in Exhibit "A"; Council Member Fossler seconded the motion. Council voted 4-0. Motion carried.

- 9B. **Conduct a public hearing, consider and act on the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-38, amending the Municipal Service Plan for +/-56.620 acres of land out of the Nancy Blakey Survey, Abstract No. 98, being a portion of the Reserve tract out of the plat of the Lone Star Storage Subdivision, and also being a portion of that certain +/-74.974 acre tract described in instrument to PRC 01 Bastrop, LLC recorded in Document No. 202200112 of the Official Public Records of Bastrop County, Texas, located within the city limits of the City of Bastrop, Texas, east of FM 969, and north of State Highway 71, more commonly known as "Pearl River/Sendero", as shown in Exhibit "A"; and move to include on the October 13, 2026, Consent Agenda for a second reading.**

Submitted by: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

Mayor Harris opened the public hearing at 7:40 p.m. No one spoke. Mayor Harris closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

MOTION: Council Member Plunkett made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2026-38, amending the Municipal Service Plan for +/-56.620 acres of land out of the Nancy Blakey Survey, Abstract No. 98, being a portion of the Reserve tract out of the plat of the Lone Star Storage Subdivision, and also being a portion of that certain +/-74.974 acre tract described in instrument to PRC 01 Bastrop, LLC recorded in Document No. 202200112 of the Official Public Records of Bastrop County, Texas, located within the city limits of the City of Bastrop, Texas, east of FM 969, and north of State Highway 71, more commonly known as "Pearl River/Sendero", as shown in Exhibit "A";

and move to include on the October 13, 2026, Consent Agenda for a second reading. Council Member Meyer seconded the motion. Council voted 4-0. Motion carried.

- 9D. **Consider and act on Resolution No. R-2026-138 regarding the termination of the City's agreement with Community Lawn LLC and authorization for interim mowing services for City parkland and the Senior Center through December 31, 2026.**

Submitted by: Jesslyna Olivares, Parks and Recreation Manager

MOTION: Council Member Meyer made a motion to terminate the City's agreement with Community Lawn LLC. Council Member Lowe seconded the motion. Council voted 4-0. Motion carried.

- 9E. **Consider and act on Resolution No. R-2026-136 of the City Council of Bastrop, Texas, recinding prior determinations denying vested rights for the North End Prairie project; recognizing the project's vested rights under Chapter 245, Texas Local Government Code; approving and confirming the City Manager's letter to the applicant; and providing an effective date.**

Submitted by: Charles Zech, City Attorney

Council Member Fossler recused herself from item 9E. filing a conflict-of-interest statement with the City Secretary before the meeting commenced.

Mayor Harris moved agenda item 9E. into Executive Session at the direction of the City Attorney.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 10A. **City Council shall convene into a closed executive session pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section § 551.087 to deliberate regarding Economic Development for a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement with Marriott Partners.**

- 10B. **The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code, to seek the advice of its attorneys regarding pending litigation and settlement, specifically Pecan Street Bastrop, LLC v. City of Bastrop, Cause No. 465-1123, in the 465th Judicial District Court, Bastrop County, Texas, concerning the North End Prairie project, City Project No. 24-000234, and the vested rights claims asserted therein under Chapter 245, Texas Local Government Code.**

Council Member Fossler recused herself from item 10B. filing a conflict-of-interest statement with the City Secretary before the meeting commenced.

The City Council of the City of Bastrop convened into executive session at 7:50 p.m. in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act, Section § 551.087 (Economic Development Negotiations) Section §551.071 (Legal Consultation) of the Texas Government Code to discuss agenda item 9E, 10A and 10B.

The City Council of the City of Bastrop reconvened in Open Session at 8:24 p.m.

Mayor Harris announced no action taken in executive session.

11. TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON MATTERS POSTED FOR CONSIDERATION IN CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION

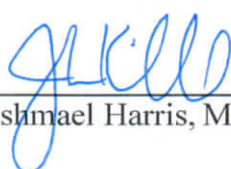
MOTION: Motion was made by Council Member Plunkett to approve Resolution No. R-2026-136 of the City Council of Bastrop, Texas, recinding prior determinations denying vested rights for the North End Prairie project; recognizing the project's vested rights under Chapter 245, Texas Local Government Code; approving and confirming the City Manager's letter to the applicant; and providing an effective date. Council Member Lowe seconded the motion. Council voted 3-0. Motion carried.

Council Member Fossler returned to the meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Upon receiving a motion duly made and a second to adjourn, Mayor Harris adjourned the September 22nd Regular Meeting at 8:26 p.m.

CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS


Ishmael Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:


Nichole Heinrich, TRMC
Deputy City Secretary

