

CITY OF BASTROP
BASTROP CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, August 7, 2026

The Bastrop City Council met in a City Council Retreat Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026, at the John Wm. Klein Meeting Room, 115 N. Crockett Street, Fredericksburg, Texas, with the following action taken to wit:

Council Members Present

Mayor Ishmael Harris, Mayor Pro-Tem John Kirkland, Council Member Cynthia Meyer, Council Member Kerry Fossler, Council Member Perry Lowe, and Council Member Kevin Plunkett.

Staff Present

City Manager Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino
Assistant City Manager/ Fire Chief Andres Rosales
City Secretary Michael Muscarello
Assistant to the City Manager Vivianne Andres
Development Services Director James Cowey
Streets and Drainage Director Lance Dodge
Parks & Recreation Director Jason Alfaro
Discover Bastrop Director Michaela Joyce
Executive Administrative Assistant Taylor Andry

1. CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Harris called the Retreat to order at 9:10 a.m.

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

Mayor Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Mayor Pro-Tem John Kirkland delivered the Invocation.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4A. Review status of current projects

- 1.** Budget
 - a. Items not funded
 - b. Setting the tax rate
 - c. HOT contingency

Council continued its discussion of the remaining retreat agenda items, resuming where the Council left off on August 6, 2026.

- 2.** Capital Projects
 - a. Ongoing
 - b. FY 2027
 - c. FY 2028 - beyond
- 3.** Master Transportation Plan
 - a. East/West Connection North of 71
 - b. Amendments to the Plan (Impact Fee reduction)
- 4.** Water/WW Master Plan
 - a. Existing needs
 - b. Future needs
- 5.** Street Projects
 - a. Existing
 - b. Future

Mayor Harris called for a break at 10:39 a.m.

Mayor Harris called the meeting back to order at 10:54 a.m.

- 6.** Future Goals
 - a. Recreation Center
 - b. Expanded Fire/Police Service
 - c. Data Center Policy

7. Legislative Priorities

a. Legislative Advocacy priorities

b. Flock Cameras

Council discussed capital projects, including ongoing projects and projects anticipated for Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 and beyond. Council reviewed the Master Transportation Plan, including a potential east/west connection north of State Highway 71 and proposed amendments related to impact fee reductions.

Council discussed the Water and Wastewater Master Plan, including existing system needs and anticipated future needs. Council also reviewed existing and future street projects.

Council discussed future goals and priorities, including a potential Recreation Center, expanded Fire and Police services, and development of a Data Center Policy.

Council reviewed legislative priorities and discussed legislative advocacy efforts and the use of Flock cameras.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments submitted by email or the online system.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Upon receiving a motion duly made and seconded to adjourn, the August 7th City Council Retreat was adjourned at 12:35

CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS



Ishmael Harris, Mayor



Michael Muscarello, TRMC, CMC, CPM
City Secretary