

Bridging Bastrop Board Agenda
City Hall City Council Chambers
1311 Chestnut Street
Bastrop, TX 78602
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April 16, 2026

Agenda - Bridging Bastrop Board at 5:30 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

At this time, three (3) minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. Anyone in attendance wishing to address the Board/Commission must complete a citizen comment form and give the completed form to the Board/Commission Secretary prior to the start of the Board/Commission meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, if a citizen discusses any item not on the agenda, the Board/Commission cannot discuss issues raised or make any decision at this time. Instead, the Board/Commission is limited to making a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Issues may be referred to the City Manager for research and possible future action. Profanity, physical or other threats are not allowed and may subject the speaker to loss of the time for comment, and if disruptive to the conduct of business, could result in removal of the speaker.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3A. Update and Discussion on Past Events:

- **March 13** - F.A.M.E. Days Women of the World
- **March 14** - Park Improvements Groundbreaking Ceremonies - Minerva Delgado Park, Mayfest Park, Fireman's Park, and Fisherman's Park
- **March 24** - City Council Public Hearing / First Reading for Code Rewrite
- **March 26** - Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry Ribbon Cutting
- **March 26** - 2026 YTexas Regional: Bastrop
- **March 27** - Chamber of Commerce Teeing Off Golf Tournament

- **March 28** - Easter in the Park + Movie Night
- **April 3** - F.A.M.E. Days: Sunset on Pine
- **April 14** - City Council Public Hearing / Final Action for Code Rewrite

3B. Update and Discussion on Upcoming Events:

- **April 18** - Springfest 2026 | Fisherman's Park | 11:00 am to 3:30 pm
- **April 28** - Regular City Council Meeting
- **April 30** - Work in Bastrop Event | Convention Center | 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- **May 8** - F.A.M.E. Days: Nest Fest | Spring Street | 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- **May 12** - Regular City Council Meeting

3C. Additional Announcements and/or Events from individual Bridging Bastrop Board Members.

4. WORKSHOP

4A. Discussion about the Accessibility Inventory Walk Initiative , including but not limited to the accessibility checklist.

5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

5A. Review, discussion, and possible action on the March 2026 Employment Reports from the City of Bastrop Human Resources Department.

5B. Consider and act to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board Meeting minutes from the March 12, 2026, Regular Meeting.

5C. Discussion and possible action regarding the following volunteer commitments:

- **SpringFest (April 18)** - which surveys to conduct and Work in Bastrop event promotion
- **Work in Bastrop (April 30)** - which surveys to conduct and other volunteer duties

5D. Individual Requests from Bridging Bastrop Board members for particular items to be listed on future agendas.

6. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting as posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place of convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website, www.cityofbastrop.org and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Friday, April 10, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

/s/Victoria Psencik
Victoria Psencik, TRMC, Assistant City Secretary

CITY OF BASTROP
REGULAR BRIDGING BASTROP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 12, 2026

The Bridging Bastrop Board met at a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 12, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Bastrop City Hall Council Chambers, 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas, with the following action taken to wit:

Board Members Present

Chair Sheila Lowe
 Mary Moody
 Nancy Wood
 Sandra Ervin

Staff Present

Assistant City Secretary Victoria Psencik
 Human Resources Director Tanya Cantrell

Board Members Absent

Karen Knight (virtually)
 Eboni Smith
 Terika Taylor-Williams

City Council Members Present

Kerry Fossler

Other Board Members Present

Keith Ahlborn, Planning & Zoning Commission

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Lowe called the Regular Bridging Bastrop Board meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. with a quorum present.

2. CITIZEN COMMENT(S)

No comments were submitted.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3A. Update and Discussion on Past Events:

- **Bastrop Fat Tuesday Celebration**
- **Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering**
- **Regular City Council Meeting (2/24 CANCELED)**
- **Planning & Zoning Commission Public Hearing for Code Rewrite**
- **International Women's Day Event: SHE is Off Script**
- **Regular City Council Meeting (3/10)**

No formal action was taken on Item 3A.

3B. Update and Discussion on Upcoming Events:

- **March 13 - F.A.M.E. Days - Women of the World Event**
- **March 14 - Park Improvements Groundbreaking Ceremonies**
- **Minerva Delgado Park**

- Mayfest Park
- Fireman's Park
- Fisherman's Park
- March 24 - City Council Public Hearing / First Reading for Code Rewrite
- March 26 - Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry Ribbon Cutting
- March 26 - 2026 YTexas Regional: Bastrop
- March 27 - Chamber of Commerce Teeing Off Golf Tournament
- March 28 - Easter in the Park + Movie Night
- April 14 - City Council Public Hearing / Final Action for Code Rewrite
- April 30 - Work in Bastrop Job Fair Event

No formal action was taken on Item 3B.

3C. **Additional Announcements and/or Events from individual Bridging Bastrop Board members.**

- April 18 – SpringFest in Fisherman’s Park from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Plant Sale at Mayfest Park
- First Watch Restaurant Opening Day

No formal action was taken on Item 3C.

4. **REPORTS**

4A. **Receive a report of the recommendations from the Bastrop County Collaborative for Health and Housing.**

Board Chair Lowe reported on the recommendations that came from the Bastrop County Collaborative for Health and Housing: pass resolutions to support housing attainability, create housing affordability commissions within each city, establish a community land trust, reduce minimum lot sizes, allow accessory dwelling units (ADUs) as a right, eliminate square footage minimums, and establish qualifications for housing and zoning commissions. The Collaborative is working toward booklets, a website, policy, and a housing project. Chair Lowe talked about an infographic showing affordability gaps with median monthly housing cost and some typical jobs (childcare worker, nursing assistant and firefighter). The graphic explained how the median monthly housing cost and monthly income of the jobs listed above are not equal.

No formal action was taken on Item 4A.

5. **WORKSHOP**

5A. **Workshop and discussion on the Accessibility Inventory Walk Initiative.**

Ideas that were discussed during the workshop:

- Focus on the city buildings and do the inventory walk on April 7th
- Checklist to be created

- A list of city buildings will be created
- Split the walk project into groups (2 to 3 people) to avoid quorum issues with different time slots (i.e., morning and afternoon)
- Include the Fleet and Facilities Director for the walk

No formal action was taken on Item 5A.

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

6A. Review, discussion, and possible action on the February 2026 Employment Reports from the City of Bastrop Human Resources Department.

Human Resources Director, Tanya Cantrell presented the reports and update regarding the February 2026 Monthly Employment Reports.

The Board requested Director Cantrell to provide a residency composition of the city employees at the April meeting.

No formal action was taken on Item 6A.

6B. Consider and act to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board Meeting minutes from the February 12, 2026, Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Board Member Sandy moved to approve the Bridging Bastrop Board Meeting minutes from the February 12, 2026 Regular Meeting as presented. Board Member Moody seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

6C. Discussion and possible action regarding the Work in Bastrop Event and the Board's involvement.

The event is going to be held on Thursday, April 30, 2026 (corrected from the April 29th date mentioned) at the Convention Center from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Flyer was distributed and areas to post were mentioned: SpringFest event, Easter in the Park event, Senior Center, and other various community locations.

No formal action was taken on Item 6C.

6D. Individual Requests from Bridging Bastrop Board members for particular items to be listed on future agendas (no group discussion).

Individual Requests made by the Board Members:

- Work Plan finalization (strategic plan task assignments)
- Website and email changes

No formal action was taken on Item 6D.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Upon receiving a motion and a second to adjourn, the March 12th Regular Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m. without objection.

APPROVED:

Sheila Lowe, Bridging Bastrop Board Chair

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary