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City Hall Council Chambers, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, TX 76028

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **CITIZENS APPEARANCES**

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the City Council on an item NOT posted on the agenda, shall speak during this section.

A speaker card must be filled out and turned in to the City Secretary prior to addressing the City Council. Each speaker will be allowed three (3) minutes.

Please note that City Council may only take action on items posted on the agenda. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the City Council from deliberating or taking action on an item not listed on the agenda. City Council may, however, receive your comments on the unlisted item, ask clarifying questions, respond with facts, and explain policy.

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the City Council on an item posted on the agenda, shall speak when the item is called forward for consideration.

3. **BUDGET AND TAX RATE**

- A. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 82 "Utilities" to add Article VII "Municipal Drainage Utility System," Division 1 "Creation and Administration" to establish a Municipal Drainage Utility System; and providing for a drainage service, billing, exemptions, drainage charges, and appeals. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- B. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Article VII "Municipal Drainage Utility System" of Chapter 82 "Utilities" to add Division 2, "Municipal Drainage Utility Schedule of Drainage Charges" establishing a municipal drainage utility system fee; and providing a schedule of drainage charges. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- C. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 beginning October 1, 2026, and terminating September 30, 2027, and making appropriations for each fund; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a severability clause and an effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$991,712, which is a 2.12 percent increase, and of that amount \$543,173 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)

- D. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance levying the ad valorem property tax of the City of Burleson for Tax Year 2026 on all taxable property within the corporate limits of the city on January 1, 2026, and adopting a tax rate of \$0.7298 per \$100 of valuation for Tax Year 2026; providing for revenues for payment of current municipal maintenance and operation expenses and payment of interest and principal on outstanding City of Burleson debt; providing for enforcement of collections; repealing conflicting ordinances; providing a severability clause and an effective date; and finding that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public. The proposed tax rate does not exceed the no-new-revenue tax rate. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- E. Consider and take possible action of an ordinance providing a Fiscal Year 2026-2027 schedule of fees for various City of Burleson services. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- F. Consider and take possible action of an ordinance providing Fiscal Year 2026-2027 rates for water and wastewater service. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- G. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance providing Fiscal Year 2026-2027 rates for collection and disposal of residential and non-residential solid waste, recyclables, and trash. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- H. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance adopting the five-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for Fiscal Year 2026-27 to 2030-31. (Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)
- I. Consider and take possible action on the FY 2026-2027 City of Burleson Strategic Plan. (Staff Contact: Janalea Hembree, Director of Strategy and Innovation)
- J. Consider and take possible action on a resolution declaring intention to reimburse an amount not to exceed \$79,944,910 for certain capital expenditures with proceeds from debt; and placing time restrictions on the issuance of tax-exempt obligations. (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)

4. GENERAL

- A. Consider and take possible action on an ordinance amending the City operating budget (CSO#5910-09-2025) for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 by increasing anticipated revenues in the amount of \$1,034,470 and appropriations in the amount of \$3,738,976 in various funds; and finding time is of the essence. (First and Final Reading) (Staff Contact: Kevin Hennessey, Director of Finance)

5. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction on the issuance and sale of City of Burleson, Texas, Combination Tax and Limited Surplus Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026; General Obligation Refunding and Improvement Bonds, Series 2026, and Corporation's Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2026. (Staff Contact: Harlan Jefferson, Deputy City Manager)

6. RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene in Executive Session in the City Council Workroom in City Hall to conduct a closed meeting to discuss any item listed on this Agenda. The City Council may reconvene into open session and take action on posted items.

Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek the advice of the City Attorney pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code

7. ADJOURN

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above agenda was posted on this the 8th of September 2026, by 9:45 p.m., on the official bulletin board at the Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, Texas.



Amanda Campos

City Secretary

BUDGET STATEMENT

*Pursuant to Section 551.043, Government Code, the following taxpayer impact statement must be on the City Council meeting agenda at which the City Council will discuss or adopt a budget for the City of Burleson: For a median-valued homestead property (\$301,997 for tax year 2025, \$297,979 for tax year 2026), the City's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the current fiscal year (FY25-26) is \$2,180, the City's portion of the property tax bill for the upcoming fiscal year (FY26-27) for the same property if the proposed budget is adopted is estimated to be \$2,175, and the City's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the upcoming fiscal year (FY26-27) for the same property if a budget funded at the no-new-revenue rate under Chapter 26, Tax Code, is adopted is estimated to be \$2,175. A copy of the proposed budget is accessible on the home page of the governmental body's Internet website (www.burlesontx.com).***

**The figures used in the statement are based on information received from the Johnson County Central Appraisal District and Tarrant Appraisal District.*

***The figures used in this statement are based on the budget ordinance approved by the city council on first reading on September 8, 2026.*

ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

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City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

FROM: Janalea Hembree, Director of Strategy and Innovation

MEETING: September 14, 2026

SUBJECT:

Consider and take possible action on the FY 2026-2027 City of Burleson Strategic Plan. (*Staff Contact: Janalea Hembree, Director of Strategy and Innovation*)

SUMMARY:

The Strategic Plan is a visionary document that is designed to guide the organization toward achieving community-wide goals and objectives in the next 12 - 18 months. The FY 26-27 Strategic Plan draft continues with the same four Strategic Focus Areas as the FY 25-26 areas of focus consisting of High Performing City Organization, Dynamic & Preferred City through Managed Growth, Beautiful, Safe & Vibrant Community, and Great Place to Live through Expanded Quality of Life Amenities.

Each Strategic Focus Area includes Goals that will assist in meeting the Focus Area's objectives. In each Goal, are Key Work Plan Tasks that are assigned to departments with target dates, which will contribute in the completion of each Goal.

- **Strategic Focus Area 1: High Performing City Organization Providing Exceptional, People Focused Services.** With an exception to make the City of Burleson a community of choice by providing outstanding customer service, communication and community engagement; leveraging technology to be an efficient and responsive organization; being financially responsible; maintaining an organizational culture that values innovation, process improvement, productivity and teamwork; and focusing training and development opportunities for city employees.

- **Strategic Focus Area 2: Dynamic & Preferred City through Managed Growth.** With an objective to promote balanced residential and commercial development growth through long-term planning and zoning ordinances; develop and maintain public infrastructure in the city that improves mobility and connectivity; develop superior utility services and facilities; and promote sustainable development and job growth in the city.

- **Strategic Focus Area 3: Beautiful, Safe & Vibrant Community.** Provide a beautiful, safe and vibrant community for those that live, learn, work and play in the City of Burleson by focusing on beautification programs; providing public art that enhances the community's visual appeal and uniqueness; providing crime prevention and community risk reduction programs; emergency preparedness; and emergency response services.

• **Strategic Focus Area 4: Great Place to Live through Expanded Quality of Life Amenities.**

To make the City of Burleson a premier place to live, learn and play by providing outstanding cultural, recreational and educational opportunities that enrich the lives of our residents

The FY 26-27 Strategic plan was developed utilizing the following:

- City's adopted vision and mission
- Comprehensive Plan
- City's Master Plans and Capital Improvement Plans
- Departmental Strategic Plans
- FY 25-26 Strategic Plan
- City Council Retreat Meeting in February 2024

OPTIONS:

N/A.

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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City Council Special Meeting

DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office

FROM: Janalea Hembree, Director of Strategy and Innovation

MEETING: September 14, 2026

SUBJECT:

The presentation for this item can be found attached to item 3A. (*Staff Contact: Janalea Hembree, Director of Strategy and Innovation*)

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AND GOAL(S):

Strategic Priority	Strategic Goal
 High Performing City Organization Providing Exceptional, People Focused Services	1.4 Be a responsible steward of the city's financial resources by providing rates and fees that represent a strong value to our citizens; providing timely, accurate and transparent financial reporting; and utilizing long-range planning.

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