



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAAYER

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)

Public participation is valued and at this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from persons who have signed the Speaker's Card located on the table inside the Council Chambers and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Written comments received by submission to the City Secretary in person or emailed to citysec@fultontexas.org by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read and summarized in the minutes of the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Speaker's Card will have up to three (3) minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

SWEARING IN ELECTED/APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

- 1.** Swear in Elected/Appointed Officials: Kelli Cole, Mayor; Robert Loflin, Alderman Place 1, Laura McCorkle, Alderwoman Place 5, and Elizabeth Hackleman, Unexpired Term Alderwoman Place 4.

PROCLAMATION

- 2.** Proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2026 Historic Preservation Month.

CONSENT AGENDA

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- 3.** Discuss/Approve/Disapprove minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 15, 2026.
- 4.** Discuss/Approve/Disapprove the March 2026 financial reports.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 5. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the Declaration of Local Disaster Related to Local Disaster Water Shortage Emergency.
- 6. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the Joint Resolution of Support for Regional Coordination and Sustainable Water Management in Response to the South Texas Water Supply Crisis.
- 7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Resolution No. R-02-2026 authorizing intervention in AEP Texas Inc.'s application to amend its rider mobile temporary emergency electric energy facilities before the commission; approving cooperation with the cities served by AEP Texas; hiring Lloyd, Gosselink Attorneys and Consulting Services to negotiate with the company and direct any necessary litigation and appeals; requiring reimbursement of cities' rate case expenses; finding that the meeting at which this resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this resolution to the company and legal counsel.
- 8. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Ordinance No. 330 prohibiting disorderly conduct; listing such conduct; establishing a standard; repealing ordinances in conflict; providing for severance; providing a penalty; negating the requirements of culpable mental state; and providing for publication.
- 9. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Ordinance No. 331 amending section 46-25, Fulton Town Code to provide for reduced speed limits in designated school zones; repealing ordinances in conflict; providing for severance; providing for penalty; and providing for publication.
- 10. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** approval and adoption of the Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Committee panel and the Bylaws and Guidelines.

CLOSED SESSION

The Town Council may elect to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code on any Agenda item where appropriate and particularly Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and 551.074 (personnel matters), Government Code.

OPEN SESSION

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. Mayor's Update.

12. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, June 3, 2026, beginning at 6:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - PUBLIC NOTICE is given that the Town Council may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss any matters listed on the agenda when authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. If the Council elects to go into executive session regarding an agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the executive session will be publicly announced by the Mayor. The Council may deliberate and take action in open session on any issue that may be discussed in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at Town Hall, 201 N. Seventh Street, Fulton, Texas, on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m., and at the U.S. Post Office located at 301 Cactus Street, Fulton, Texas. I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of this meeting as stated above: The Rockport Pilot.

/S/ Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

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OATH OF OFFICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
I, Laura McCorkle, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully
execute the duties of the office of Alderwoman, Place 5 of
the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws
of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

Signature of Officer

Certification of Person Authorized to Administer Oath

State of Texas

County of Aransas

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this _____ day of _____, 20____.

(Affix Notary Seal,
only if oath
administered by a
notary.)

Signature of Notary Public or
Signature of Other Person Authorized to Administer An
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Stephanie Garcia

Printed or Typed Name

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OATH OF OFFICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
I, Robert Loflin, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully
execute the duties of the office of Alderwoman, Place 1 of
the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws
of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

Signature of Officer

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OATH OF OFFICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
I, Elizabeth Hackleman, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully
execute the duties of the office of Alderwoman, Place 4 of
the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws
of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

Signature of Officer

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OATH OF OFFICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
I, Kelli Cole, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I will faithfully
execute the duties of the office of Mayor of
the State of Texas, and will to the best of my ability preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution and laws
of the United States and of this State, so help me God.

Signature of Officer

Certification of Person Authorized to Administer Oath

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County of Aransas

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Stephanie Garcia
Printed or Typed Name



In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a general election held on

May 2, 2026

LAURA MCCORKLE

was duly elected

ALDERMAN, PLACE 5

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of Texas to be affixed at the Town of Fulton, this the 20th day of May 2026.

Signature of Presiding Officer of
Canvassing Authority



In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a general election held on

May 2, 2026

ROBERT LOFLIN

was duly elected

ALDERMAN, PLACE 1

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of Texas to be affixed at the Town of Fulton, this the 20th day of May 2026.

Signature of Presiding Officer of
Canvassing Authority



In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a general election held on

May 2, 2026

KELLI COLE

was duly elected

MAYOR

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of Texas to be affixed at the Town of Fulton, this the 20th day of May 2026.

Signature of Presiding Officer of
Canvassing Authority



In the name and by the authority of

The State of Texas

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a general election held on

May 2, 2026

ELIZABETH HACKLEMAN

was duly elected

ALDERWOMAN Place 4

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused the Seal of Texas to be affixed at the Town of Fulton, this the 20th day of May 2026.

Signature of Presiding Officer of
Canvassing Authority



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS historic preservation in 2026 is a reminder that preservation is more than just buildings. It is about our connection to the places that are special to us all; and

WHEREAS historic preservation is an effective tool for revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride, and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals who help to preserve the many aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS historical organizations in Rockport and Aransas County have endeavored to preserve and protect historical artifacts and material about Rockport and Aransas County; and

WHEREAS, Awards for Historic Preservation 2026, are cosponsored by The Aransas County Historical Commission, The Friends of the History Center, and The Aransas County Historical Society.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Mayor Keli Cole, and the Town of Fulton State of Texas, do proclaim May 2026 as

Historic Preservation Month

and call upon the people of Aransas County to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal of the Town of Fulton on May 20, 2026.

Keli Cole
Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENT

Mayor Kelli Cole
Mayor Pro Tem Robert Loflin
Place 2 Chris Garis Place
Place 3 MaryAnn Pahmiyer
Place 5 Laura McCorkle

STAFF PRESENT

Hal George, Town Attorney
Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary
Ty Gerstenberger, Chief

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

Mayor Cole led everyone in the pledges.

OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAAYER

Mayor Cole led everyone in a moment of silence.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)

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No one came forward.

PROCLAMATION

1. Joint Proclamation proclaiming the week of April 11-17, 2026 as the Week of the Young Child.

Mayor Cole read the proclamation proclaiming the week of April 11-17, 2026, the Week of the Young Child. Mrs. Nielsen addressed the Council and thanked them for their support.

2. Proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Mayor Cole read the proclamation proclaiming the month of April 2026 Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Patricia Arnold addressed the Council, recapped the Red Shoe event held at the Courthouse this morning, and thanked the Council for their support.

CONSENT AGENDA

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3. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 18, 2026.
4. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the February 2026 financials.

Motion made by Place 5 McCorkle, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** establishing a Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Panel consisting of up to five (5) members and authorize the Mayor to appoint members with Council approval.

Mayor Cole read the item and discussed the beginning processes.

Motion made by Place 5 McCorkle, Seconded by Place 2 Garis establishing a Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Panel consisting of up to five (5) members and authorize the Mayor to appoint members with Council approval.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

6. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Resolution R_01_2026 establishing a Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Panel; Providing for the Purpose, Membership, and Duties of the Panel; and providing an effective Date.

Mayor Cole read the item. Alderwoman Pahmiyer inquired as to the Council being kept informed of the status of the panel and events. Mayor Cole assured her that the Council will be informed throughout all steps.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Seconded by Place 2 Garis to approve Resolution R_01_2026 establishing a Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Panel; Providing for the Purpose, Membership, and Duties of the Panel; and providing an effective Date.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

7. Discuss/Approve/Disapprove the Fulton Police Department's Policies, Procedure and Code of Conduct.

Mayor Cole read the item. Hal George, Town Attorney, suggested that the Council pass the Police Department’s Policies, Procedure and Code of Conduct except for the organization chart included in Section 1.2. Mr. George suggested the chart be revised to include positions rather than specific employees. Chief Gerstenberger will revise the chart and bring Section 1.2 back to the Council for approval. Chief Gerstenberger noted that the State of Texas provides most of the updates to the police department that must be incorporated into the policy and procedures.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Seconded by Place 5 McCorkle to approve the Fulton Police Department's Policies, Procedure and Code of Conduct except for the organization chart included in Section 1.2.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

CLOSED SESSION

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Council did not convene into Closed Session.

OPEN SESSION

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. Mayor's Update.

Mayor Cole noted that the pre-bid meeting for the joint street and drainage project with Aransas County will be held at Town Hall on April 16, 2026. She mentioned the Red Shoe event for the sexual assault awareness and how well that went. Mayor Cole noted that the Council Members will be sworn in at the May 20, 2026, meeting. Alderwoman Pahmiyer shared that the installation of a sculpture was done at the Castro park along with additional clean up.

9. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 6, 2026, beginning at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Cole announced the date and time of the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cole entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Place 2 Garis, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Loflin to adjourn the meeting.

Voting Yea: Mayor Pro Tem Loflin, Place 2 Garis, Place 3 Pahmiyer, Place 5 McCorkle

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary



DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER RELATED TO LOCAL DISASTER WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Aransas County is facing severe and ongoing drought conditions that are significantly reducing the county's available water supply;

WHEREAS, the County and the Nueces River watershed remains in an exceptional drought, and the U.S. National Weather Service predicts conditions to persist across the South Texas region, with little relief in sight. Water demand across our region is exceeding available supply, and water sources continue to deteriorate.

WHEREAS, the City of Corpus Christi, Aransas County's primary water provider, is currently under Stage 3 water restrictions and is expected to face imminent emergency-level shortages soon;

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has declared a disaster due to severe drought conditions, including Aransas County, and has authorized the use of all necessary resources to respond.

WHEREAS, these severe drought conditions pose a serious and imminent threat to county residents, our economy, and our future water security;

WHEREAS, the Town of Fulton recognizes the urgency of this situation and the need to act swiftly and responsibly to protect our community.

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2026, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a disaster proclamation certifying that exceptional drought conditions pose a threat of imminent disaster in several counties to include Aransas County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE TOWN OF FULTON,

A local state of disaster is hereby declared pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

1. This declaration will be promptly filed and publicized in accordance with

state law.

2. This action activates the County's Emergency Management Plan and authorizes all necessary measures to respond to these conditions.

3. This disaster declaration takes effect immediately upon issuance and will be in effect until the order is rescinded by County Judge authority.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF FULTON OF ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THE 20th DAY OF MAY 2026.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary




GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

April 17, 2026

Mr. Adam Bitter
General Counsel
Secretary of State
State Capitol, Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE
2:20e 1P O'CLOCK


Secretary of State

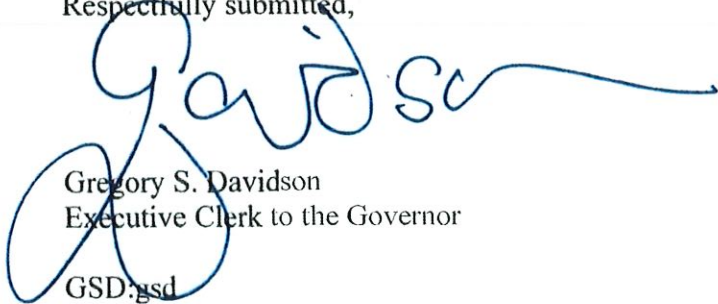
Dear Mr. Bitter:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation declaring and renewing a state of disaster in a certain number of counties based on the existence of serious drought conditions that pose an imminent threat including the increased risk of wildfire danger.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
GSD:gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on July 8, 2022, as amended and renewed in a number of subsequent proclamations, certifying that exceptional drought conditions posed a threat of imminent disaster in several counties; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Division of Emergency Management has confirmed that those same drought conditions persist in certain counties in Texas and that the presence of drought conditions in certain counties contributes to increased wildfire danger;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby amend and renew the aforementioned proclamation and declare a disaster in Anderson, Andrews, Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Baylor, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Borden, Bowie, Brazoria, Brazos, Brewster, Briscoe, Brooks, Bureson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Camp, Cass, Chambers, Cherokee, Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Colorado, Comal, Comanche, Cottle, Crosby, Dawson, Delta, DeWitt, Dickens, Dimmit, Donley, Duval, Fayette, Floyd, Foard, Fort Bend, Franklin, Freestone, Frio, Gaines, Galveston, Garza, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hale, Hall, Hardeman, Hardin, Harris, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hockley, Hopkins, Houston, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kenedy, Kent, Kerr, King, Kinney, Kleberg, Knox, La Salle, Lamar, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Live Oak, Llano, Lubbock, Lynn, Madison, Marion, Martin, Matagorda, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Midland, Milam, Montgomery, Morris, Motley, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Panola, Pecos, Polk, Presidio, Rains, Real, Red River, Refugio, Robertson, Rusk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Scurry, Shelby, Smith, Starr, Stonewall, Terrell, Titus, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Uvalde, Val Verde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Wichita, Wilbarger, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Wood, Zapata, and Zavala Counties.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the Texas Government Code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

FILED BY THE OFFICE OF THE
TEXAS SECRETARY OF STATE

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Governor Greg Abbott
April 17, 2026

Proclamation
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 17th day of April, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A stylized signature in black ink that reads "A. T. U. E. E.".

On behalf of the Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
JULIAS SECRETARY OF STATE
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APR 17 2026

RESOLUTION NO. R-03-2026**JOINT RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR REGIONAL COORDINATION AND SUSTAINABLE WATER MANAGEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SOUTH TEXAS WATER SUPPLY CRISIS**

WHEREAS, the counties and communities of South Texas are experiencing significant water supply challenges resulting from prolonged drought conditions, population growth, agricultural needs, aging infrastructure constraints, industrial expansion, and increasing demand on limited water resources; and

WHEREAS, water is a shared and essential resource necessary to protect public health, support economic development, sustain agriculture and industry, maintain ecological balance, and ensure the long-term viability and resilience of our communities; and

WHEREAS, the interconnected nature of surface water and groundwater systems across South Texas requires coordinated regional planning to avoid unintended consequences that cross jurisdictional boundaries and to promote equitable and sustainable management of water resources; and

WHEREAS, the Evangeline Aquifer, along with the entire Nueces River Basin and other regional groundwater sources, serve as important water sources for numerous South Texas counties, rural communities, agricultural producers, and municipal systems, and significant new or accelerated withdrawals from these sources may have cumulative regional impacts, including potential declines in groundwater availability, reduced future supply reliability, risks of land subsidence, and long-term sustainability concerns affecting multiple jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, collaboration among counties, municipalities, groundwater conservation districts, river authorities, and state and federal partners is necessary to ensure that short-term responses do not create unintended long-term regional consequences; and

WHEREAS, the current water shortage highlights the importance of proactive regional planning and investment in diversified water supply options, including conservation strategies, infrastructure modernization, aquifer management, desalination opportunities, water reuse technologies, and coordinated state and federal support to strengthen long-term water security for South Texas; and

WHEREAS, South Texas communities have a strong tradition of working together across jurisdictional boundaries and political affiliations to address shared challenges, recognizing that water security is not a partisan issue but a fundamental public necessity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the **Town of Fulton of Aransas County:**

1. **Expresses unity across political and geographic boundaries**, recognizing that the counties of South Texas share a common interest in protecting the long-term sustainability of regional water resources and affirming that decisions affecting shared aquifers and water supplies should reflect equitable consideration of all communities reliant upon those resources.
2. **Affirms its commitment to regional coordination and collaboration** with counties, municipalities, groundwater conservation districts, river authorities, and state leadership to identify balanced, transparent, and sustainable responses to current water supply challenges.
3. **Supports a coordinated regional planning approach** that evaluates the cumulative impacts of water sourcing decisions and prioritizes solutions that promote long-term water reliability, economic stability, agricultural viability, and public health across South Texas.
4. **Encourages careful evaluation and monitoring** of any proposed large-scale or accelerated withdrawals from regional groundwater sources, including the Evangeline Aquifer and other connected aquifer systems within the Nueces River Basin and South Texas region, including assessment of potential impacts on groundwater availability, long-term supply reliability, and the sustainability of existing users across multiple jurisdictions.
5. **Emphasizes that short-term emergency measures should not create disproportionate or irreversible impacts to shared groundwater resources**, particularly recognizing that many rural communities have limited alternatives for water supply diversification.
6. **Encourages continued exploration of diversified water supply strategies**, including conservation initiatives, infrastructure maintenance and improvements, water reuse technologies, aquifer management strategies, desalination opportunities, and strengthened regional partnerships that improve long-term water resilience, recognizing that such strategies may require financial support through state and/or federal programs.
7. **Requests coordination with the Office of the Governor, the Texas Water Development Board, groundwater conservation districts, and other appropriate state and regional entities, and supports pursuit of available state and federal funding opportunities**, to ensure that regional impacts are considered in both emergency response measures and long-term water planning decisions affecting South Texas.
8. **Directs that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted** to the Governor of Texas, members of the Texas Legislature representing the region, the Texas Water Development Board, applicable groundwater conservation districts, regional river authorities, and counties and municipalities across South Texas for consideration and collaboration, and provides that additional counties or political subdivisions may demonstrate support by adopting a similar resolution or by executing additional signature pages attached hereto.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED, in open court, this 20th day of May, 2026.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. R-02-2026

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FULTON AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN AEP TEXAS INC.'S APPLICATION TO AMEND ITS RIDER MOBILE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ELECTRIC ENERGY FACILITIES BEFORE THE COMMISSION; APPROVING COOPERATION WITH THE CITIES SERVED BY AEP TEXAS; HIRING LLOYD GOSSELINK ATTORNEYS AND CONSULTING SERVICES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE COMPANY AND DIRECT ANY NECESSARY LITIGATION AND APPEALS; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF CITIES' RATE CASE EXPENSES; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, on or about April 15, 2026, AEP Texas Inc. (“AEP Texas” or “Company”), pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act (“PURA”) §§ 36.001 and 39.918 filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas an Application to Amend its Rider Mobile Temporary Emergency Electric Energy Facilities to change the revenue requirement related to its Rider Mobile TEEE Facilities, effective September 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Town is a member of the Cities Served by AEP Texas (“Cities”), a membership of similarly situated cities served by AEP that have joined together to efficiently and cost effectively review and respond to electric issues affecting rates charged in AEP Texas’ service area; and

WHEREAS, PURA § 33.023 provides that costs incurred by Cities in ratemaking activities are to be reimbursed by the regulated utility.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FULTON, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the Town joins other Cities Served by AEP Texas (“Cities”) in this proceeding and, subject to the right to terminate employment at any time, hereby authorizes the hiring of Jamie Mauldin of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle and Townsend, P.C, and consultants to review the Company’s filing, negotiate with the Company, make recommendations regarding a reasonable revenue requirement and to direct any necessary administrative proceedings or court litigation associated with an appeal of Town action.

SECTION 2. That the Town shall work with Cities Served by AEP Texas in the review and evaluation of whether the proposed revenue requirement is appropriate, fair, just, and reasonable; and intervene as a necessary party in the Public Utility Commission of Texas’

consideration of AEP Texas' Application in Docket No. 59652 as it affects the customers in AEP Texas' service territory.

SECTION 3. That the Town's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by AEP Texas.

SECTION 4. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law and the public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required.

SECTION 5. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to Jamie Mauldin, at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., 816 Congress Avenue, Suite 1900, Austin, Texas 78701 (jmauldin@lglawfirm.com).

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Hal George, City Attorney

**AN ORDINANCE
PROHIBITING DISORDERLY CONDUCT; LISTING SUCH CONDUCT;
ESTABLISHING A STANDARD; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING
FOR SEVERANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY; NEGATING THE REQUIREMENT OF
CUPABLE MENTAL STATE; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION**

WHEREAS, disorderly conduct is detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens;

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined it is necessary to regulate disorderly conduct for the health safety and welfare of the citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FULTON:

Section 1: That the Town Council of the Town of Fulton passes, ordains and establishes a prohibition of disorderly conduct as Section 30-2, Town of Fulton Code of Ordinances to read as follows:

“Section 30-2.-Disorderly Conduct.

No person, acting alone or in concert with others, shall engage in disorderly conduct. Disorderly conduct consists of any of the following:

- (1) Behavior of a boisterous and tumultuous character in a residential area or a public place such that there is a clear and present danger of alarming persons where no legitimate reason for alarm exists; or
- (2) Interfering with the peaceful and lawful conduct of persons in or about their homes or public places under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance; or
- (3) Violent and forceful behavior at any time in or near a public place, such that there is a clear and present danger that free movement of other persons will be arrested or restrained, or other persons will be incapacitated in the lawful exercise of business or amusement, or;
- (4) Behavior involving personal abuse or assault when such behavior creates a clear and present danger of causing assaults or affrays; or
- (5) In a public or private place, engaging in violent, abusive, indecent, boisterous, unreasonably loud, or otherwise disorderly conduct under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance; or
- (6) Willful and malicious behavior that interrupts the speaker of any lawful assembly or impairs the lawful right of others to participate effectively in such assembly or meeting when such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance; or
- (7) Behavior near a courthouse wherein judicial or official proceedings are being held, designed or having the effect of interfering with the administration of justice, whether by disrupting the courts, or by intimidating judges, public officials, witnesses, jurors or other persons having business with the courts; or
- (8) Behavior near any public building wherein matters affecting the public are being considered or deliberated, designed or having the effect of interfering with such proceedings under circumstances in which such conduct tends to cause or provoke a disturbance; or

- (9) Willful and malicious behavior which obstructs or causes the obstruction of a doorway, hall or any other passageway in a public building to such an extent that the employees, officers, and other persons, including visitors and tourists, having business with the government are denied entrance into, exit from or free passage in such building; or
- (10) Behavior involving the display of any deadly weapon in a public place in such a manner as to alarm or frighten other persons present; or
- (11) Public Urination and Defecation-

It shall be unlawful for any person to urinate or defecate in or on a public place or within public view. It is an exception to this section that the person used a receptacle designed to collect human waste inside a designated restroom and where such waste is removed in a timely/appropriate manner (i.e. public restrooms, porta potty).

Section 2. Offenses in this Ordinance shall be judged by the standard of an ordinary person of ordinary sensibilities.

Section 3. A violation of this Ordinance, upon conviction shall be a misdemeanor with a fine not to exceed \$500.00. The requirement of a culpable mental state in Penal Code Section 6.02 is hereby negated.

Section 4. Any previously adopted ordinance, resolution, rule, regulation or policy in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Section 5. If any provision, section, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is, for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance that no portion hereof, or provisions or regulations contained herein, shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality of any other portion hereof, and all provisions of this Ordinance are declared severable for that purpose.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall be published by publishing the caption thereof in the official newspaper with a statement the public may view the Ordinance in the Office of the City Secretary. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after the publication provided herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 20th day of May, 2026.

TOWN OF FULTON

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 331

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING SECTION 46-25, FULTON TOWN CODE TO PROVIDE FOR REDUCED SPEED LIMITS IN DESIGNATED SCHOOL ZONES; REPEALING ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, Section 545.356(b-1), Transportation Code, provides that the governing body of a municipality may declare a lower speed limit than the prima facie speed limit under certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a lower speed limit than the prima facie speed limit may be set only for a highway, street, alley or part of a highway in the municipality that is not an officially designated or marked highway or road of the state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton has determined that the prima facie speed limit on the streets and alleys of the Town for those streets that are in a designated school zone, are less than four lanes and are not a designated state highway should be adjusted; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton has determined that the designated prima facie speed limits are unreasonable and unsafe on the school zones designated herein in the Town of Fulton; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton has determined that the reasonable and safe speed limit on the below designated school zones in the Town of Fulton is Twenty (20) miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton has determined, upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, that the prima facie maximum speed limit on that portion of the following street at the times herein specified should be reduced; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton hereby declares and determines that the reasonable and safe prima facie maximum speed limit is twenty (20) miles per hour on each and every school day being Monday through Friday, at the times designated, during the weeks that school is in regular session on the streets designated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Fulton has determined that establishing the speed limits herein is necessary for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Fulton.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FULTON:

Section 1. That the predicate Whereas clauses above are hereby adopted as findings of the Town Council.

Section 2. That Section 46-25, Fulton Town Code, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 46-25-Maximum speed limit on town streets, alleys and school zones established:

(a) That the speed limit on streets within the Town of Fulton, maintained by the Town of Fulton; that are in an urban district; that is a two-lane, undivided highway/street; and not a state highway is hereby established as twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

(b) That the speed limit on alleys within the Town of Fulton, maintained by the Town of Fulton is hereby established as fifteen (15) miles per hour. For the purposes of this section, an alley shall be defined as the entire width between the boundary lines of every way publicly maintained when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel, having no legal or official name and of twenty (20) feet or less in width.

(c) That the following are hereby designated as school zones on certain streets during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on regularly scheduled school days or if there is an electrical traffic control device intended to control speed located in a designated school zone, then during any time period when that device is flashing. The designated school zones and maximum speeds are as follows:

(1) Posted signs with a maximum speed limit of twenty (20) mph, located at:

Chaparral Street from 5th Street to 7th Street;

Mesquite Street from 5th Street to 7th Street;

5th Street from the 200 block to Mesquite Street;

6th Street from the 200 block to Laurel Street to 7th Street; and

7th Street from the 200 block to Mesquite Street.

(2) Electrical traffic control device located between the 3200 block of State Highway 35 N and the 3600 block of State Highway 35 N with a maximum speed limit of thirty-five (35) mph while the device is flashing.

(d) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Each day a violation of this section occurs shall constitute a separate offense. The culpable mental state required by V.T.C.A., Penal Code § 6.02, is specifically negated and dispensed with and a violation is a strict liability offense.

Section 3. All previously adopted rules, regulations, policies, and ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. If any provision, section, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void , or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the City Council in adopting this Ordinance that no portion hereof, or provisions or regulations contained herein, shall become inoperative or fail by reason of any unconstitutionality of any other portion hereof, and all provision of this Ordinance are declared severable for that purpose.

Section 5. Any person who violates this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Each day a violation of this Ordinance occurs shall constitute a separate offense. The culpable mental state required by Chapter 6.02, Texas Penal Code, is specifically negated and dispensed with and a violation is a strict liability offense.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall be published by publishing the caption thereof in the official newspaper with a statement the public may view the Ordinance in the Office of the City Secretary. This Ordinance shall take effective upon its publication.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this the 20th day of May 2026.

TOWN OF FULTON

Kelli Cole, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

FULTON TOWN HALL COMMUNITY PLANNING ADVISORY PANEL

Adopted and Approved May 20, 2026

Community Planning Advisory Panel:

Michael Henry

D.L. Schraub

Dana Mercer

Town Council Representatives:

Kelli Cole, Mayor

Bob Loflin, Alderman

Town Employees Representatives:

Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary

Matt Olenick, Director of Operations

Johnny Davis, Building Official

Ty Gerstenberger, Chief of Police

**TOWN OF FULTON
TOWN HALL COMMUNITY PLANNING ADVISORY PANEL
BYLAWS AND GUIDELINES**

1. PURPOSE

The Town Hall Community Planning Advisory Panel is established to serve in an advisory capacity to the Town Council regarding the planning and potential construction of a new Town Hall facility.

2. ROLE OF THE PANEL

The Panel shall:

- Gather and review community input
- Identify facility needs and space requirements
- Review site options
- Review conceptual designs
- Review cost estimates
- Provide recommendations to the Town Council

The Panel shall not have authority to make final decisions or obligate the Town financially.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The Panel shall consist of up to five (5) community members appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Town Council. Members should represent a cross-section of the community.

4. OFFICERS

The Panel shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair at the first meeting. The Chair will conduct meetings and coordinate with Town staff.

5. MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held as needed. Meetings may be posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act when applicable. A majority of the appointed members shall constitute a quorum.

6. PUBLIC INPUT

All Panel meetings should allow for public comment. The Panel is encouraged to assist in gathering community input through public hearings, surveys, and public meetings.

7. STAFF SUPPORT

Town staff will provide administrative support, meeting notices, and project information to the Panel.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Panel members shall disclose any conflicts of interest and shall not participate in discussions or recommendations where a conflict exists.

9. DURATION

The Panel shall serve until the Town Council accepts a final recommendation regarding the Town Hall project, unless extended by the Town Council.

10. REPORTING

The Panel shall provide a written recommendation to the Town Council at the conclusion of its review.

Adopted this 20th day of May, 2026.