

REGULAR CALLED CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.  
KENNETH T. NUNN COUNCIL ROOM – CITY HALL

A Regular Called Meeting of the City Commission was held on Wednesday, JULY 16, 2025, at 5:00 P.M. in the Kenneth T. Nunn Council Room in City Hall, Texas City, Texas. A quorum having been met, the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Dedrick D. Johnson.

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Dedrick D. Johnson, Mayor  
Thelma Bowie, Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem  
Abel Garza, Jr. , Commissioner At-Large  
DeAndre' Knoxson, Commissioner District 1  
Keith Love, Commissioner District 2  
Chris Sharp, Commissioner District 3  
Jami Clark, Commissioner District 4

2. INVOCATION

Led by Jon Branson, Executive Director of Management Services.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by DeAndre' Knoxson, Commissioner District 1.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

a. Service Awards

Tomas Gomez	Public Works	07/01/2010	15 years
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Mayor Dedrick Johnson acknowledged Troop 246 from St. Mary's Catholic Church for attending the City Commission meeting.

b. Presentation of a Certificate of Recognition to Desiree Haddock

Nicole Miller, Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Director, presented Desiree Haddock with an appreciation gift for her 25 years of work in the Youth Art Program.

5. REPORTS

a. Moore Memorial Library Report (Library)

Cheryl Loewen, Library Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the public requested to address the City Commission: Jose Boix, Brian Geotschius, Robert Clem, and Anthony Hall.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner District 1, DeAndre' Knoxson, made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 7a, b, and c. The motion was seconded by Commissioner District 4, Jami Clark.

- a. Approve City Commission Minutes for July 2, 2025 meeting. (City Secretary)

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- b. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-071, approving and awarding Commission Grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 to the Texas City Stingrays Youth Football & Cheer Organization. (Mayor Dedrick Johnson)

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-072, awarding Bid No. 2025-484 and entering into a contract to remove and dispose of all sand, solids, trash and debris from upper and lower levels of the bioreactors, and other tanks, including head-works effluent receiving tank, located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. (Public Works)

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

8. REGULAR ITEMS

- a. Consider and take action on the second reading of Ordinance 2025-06, amending the Texas City Code of Ordinances by creating Chapter 162 entitled "Battery Energy Storage Systems" and amending the Code of Ordinances Title XV entitled "Land Usage", Chapter 160 entitled "Zoning" to designate Section 160.051 District S-P (Site Plan) as the zoning designation for Battery Energy Storage Systems and similar projects. (City Engineer)

Kim Golden, City Engineer, recommends the approval of Ordinance 2025-06 to create Chapter 162 entitled "Battery Energy Storage Systems" and to amend the Zoning Ordinance Section 160.051 to designate District S-P Site Plan as the zoning district for Battery Energy Storage Systems and similar projects.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- b. Consider and take action on the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2025-12, amending the Code of Ordinance for the City of Texas City, Title IX Entitled "General Regulations", Chapter 94- Health and Sanitation by prohibiting the placement of outdoor donation bins or receptacles for clothing or other items on public or private property. (Fire Marshal)

Ian Chase, Assistant Fire Marshal, recommends consideration and approval of the Ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- c. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-073, awarding Bid No. 2025-487 and entering into a contract for the 34th Street Ditch Improvements Project. (Public Works)

Jack Haralson, Public Works Director, recommends that the City of Texas City award the 34th Street Drainage Improvements Project to Carlson McClain Construction Company, LLC., for a total amount of \$3,285,288.00.

Motion by Commissioner District 2 Keith Love, Seconded by Commissioner District 3 Chris Sharp

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- d. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-074, approving the City of Texas City's participation in the TexStar and LOGIC investment pool. (Finance)

Cynthia Rushing, Chief Financial Officer, recommends approving the City's participation in the TexStar and LOGIC investment pool. The City recently received \$74 million in Certificate of Obligation bond proceeds, which will be drawn for construction and project-related expenses over time. Participation in TexStar and LOGIC will enable the City to maximize interest earnings on these proceeds while maintaining 100% liquidity throughout the drawdown period.

Motion by Commissioner District 1 DeAndre' Knoxson, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- e. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-075, approving the purchase of a Ford F-350 Diesel, from Sterling McCall Ford in the amount of \$75,000.00, and the purchase of a remount service for one (1) existing medical unit (Modular Box) X-1665 onto the newly purchased chassis from Frazer, LTD in the amount of \$175,000.00, for a total project cost of \$250,000.00. (Fire)

Dennis Harris, Fire Chief, recommends authorizing the purchase of a Ford F-350 Diesel from Sterling McCall Ford and the purchase of a remount service for one (1) existing medical unit (Modular Box) X-1665 onto the newly purchased chassis from Frazer, LTD.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- f. Consider and take action on Resolution No. 2025-076, awarding ITB 2025-481 and entering into a contract for Code Compliance Abatement & Lawn Care Maintenance. (Fire- NIS)

Dennis Harris, Fire Chief, recommends authorizing the Mayor to into an agreement with Greenscapes Six and HILD Foundation to provide mowing services for all established grasses, vegetation, and general property clean-up as requested by Neighborhood Improvement Services and the Director of Municipal Services.

Motion by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark

**Vote: 7 - 0 CARRIED**

- g. Consider and take action on Ordinance No. 2025-14, establishing the Commission Rules of Procedure/Order of Business. (Management Services)

Jon Branson, Executive Director of Management Services, recommends the City Commission consider the attached Commission Rules of Procedure/Order of Business to comply with the Texas City Charter, Article III, titled PROCEDURES OF THE COMMISSION; Legislation, Sec.1., Meeting of the Commission, the Commission shall, by Ordinance, determine its own rules of procedure. This item will come before the Commission for two additional readings.

Motion by Commissioner District 2 Keith Love, Seconded by Commissioner At-Large Abel Garza, Jr., to table.

**Vote: 3 - 4 FAILED**

Motion by Commissioner At-Large, Mayor Pro Tem Thelma Bowie, Seconded by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark to approve the item as presented.

**Vote: 4 - 3 CARRIED**

9. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

10. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

An audiovisual recording of this meeting is available on the City's website and retained by the CSO for two years after the date of the adoption of the minutes to which the meeting corresponds.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Commissioner At-Large, Abel Garza, Jr., made a MOTION to ADJOURN at 6:04 p.m.; the motion was SECONDED by Commissioner District 4 Jami Clark. All present voted AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

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DEDRICK D. JOHNSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Rhomari Leigh, City Secretary  
Date Approved: