

Minutes of the Regular Called Main Street Advisory Board Meeting of May 26, 2026

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The Main Street Advisory Board of the City of Palestine convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., at PEDC Office, 100 Willow Creek Pkwy, Suite A, Palestine, Texas, with the following people present: Chair; April Shaner, Vice Chair; Anja Cline, Board Members Crystal Cartwright, Amanda Conley, and Jean Mollard.

Staff present: Main Street Coordinator Hunter Bell, City Manager Administrative Assistant Corby Neal, EDC Director Christophe Trahan, and EDC Administrative Assistant Melissa Temple.

Board members Jonathan Rodgers and Nicole Weinman were absent.

Others present: Jodi Trout.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Chair April Shaner called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

PROPOSED CHANGES OF AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jodi Trout, a resident of Palestine, volunteered to assist the board with any needs they may have.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

There were none.

MAIN STREET COORDINATOR'S REPORT

1. Introduction of the new Main Street Coordinator.

EDC Director Christophe Trahan introduced the board to the new Main Street Coordinator, Hunter Bell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approval of the special meeting minutes of April 28, 2026. Motion by Vice Chair Anja Cline, seconded by Board Member Jean Mollard, to approve item as presented. Upon vote, motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding programs and projects for upcoming downtown events and activities.

Motion by Chair April Shaner, seconded by board member Jean Mollard, to approve using Events/ Promotion funds for decorations and bunting to decorate the Central Business District in anticipation of America's 250 celebration. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Motion by Chair April Shaner, seconded by Board Member Jean Mollard, seconded by Board Member Crystal Cartwright, to approve a façade decoration contest for America's 250 Celebration. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

2. Discussion and possible action regarding Main Street beautification projects.

Motion by Chair April Shaner, seconded by Vice Chair Anja Cline, to form a committee for the Alleyway project and nominate board member Crystal Cartwright to head the committee. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Motion by Chair April Shaner, seconded by board member Crystal Cartwright, to form a design committee to work with interested parties, the Main Street board, and the City to design guidelines for beautification projects within the Downtown District and nominate Board member Jean Mollard to head this committee. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously 5-0.

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ADJOURN

With no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned by Chair April Shaner at 10:17 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF JUNE 2026.


April Shaner, Chair

ATTEST:


Melissa Temple, EDC Administrative Assistant