

CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
AUGUST 25, 2025

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Pledge to Texas Flag:

Mayor Galaviz called the meeting to order at 06:30 PM, Halla gave the Invocation, and all led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Councilmembers present: Alejandro Galaviz, Teresa Hoffman, Tony Bovinich, Michelle Hamm.

Councilmembers absent: Sheryl Kiser and Drew Wilson.

Staff present: Josh Jones, City Attorney, Callie Green, Melissa Westen, Becky Wilkins, Chief Groom, Scott Williams, Melissa Trammell, Oscar Ortiz, Randy Goucher, Captain Brancato and Officer Sutton.

2. Announcements from Mayor:

Cell phones are to be placed on vibrate/silent only. No conversation or comment from the audience is permitted unless specifically called upon by the Mayor. Please remain respectfully quiet.

3. Citizen Public Comment Period:

Thank you for your participation in tonight's Public Comments Session. This segment is a crucial component of our local government meetings, where each speaker is allotted 5 minutes. While the City Council and I consider all input, the Texas Open Meetings Act mandates that this be a time for us to listen rather than engage in dialogue. Rest assured, our City Administrator and City Secretary are diligently recording notes should any actions be necessary. When you are ready, you may begin, and your time will start.

No public speakers.

4. Consent Agenda:

All matters listed under consent agenda have been previously discussed, require little or no deliberation, or are routine by the council. If discussion is desired, then an item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. Otherwise, approval of the consent agenda authorizes the City Administrator to implement each item in accordance with staff's recommendation.

4.1. Approval of meeting minutes for regular meeting on August 11, 2025.

4.2. Approval of Interlocal Dispatching Agreement

4.3. Approval of Resolution amending the City Council Policies and Procedures.

4.4. Approval of Interlocal for Class "C" Arrests

4.5. Approval of Interlocal for Johnson County radio system for the Police Department

I make a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Moved by: Teresa Hoffman

Seconded by: Michelle Hamm

For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-0.

5. Presentation and Proclamations:

6. Public Hearings and Action Items:

7. Discussion and Consideration Items:

7.1. Budget Workshop: Review and discuss the proposed annual operating budget for FY2025-2026.

Discussion regarding the comp and class study.

Discussion regarding funds for streets and drainage.

The mayor wants to see three firefighters, one per shift.

7.2. Discuss and consider setting a Public Hearing on September 22, 2025, for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Proposed Budget.

I make a motion to set a public hearing on September 22, 2025, for the fiscal year 2025-2026 proposed budget.

Moved by: Michelle Hamm

Seconded by: Tony Bovinich

For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-0.

7.3. Discuss and consider setting the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 property tax rate and schedule a public hearing on September 22, 2025.

I make a motion to adopt the no-new revenue tax rate of \$0.766485 and set a public hearing for September 22, 2025.

Roll call vote:

Mayor Pro Tem, Tony Bovinich: Yes

Councilmember, Teresa Hoffman: Yes

Councilmember, Michelle Hamm: Yes

Moved by: Tony Bovinich

Seconded by: Teresa Hoffman

For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-0.

7.4. Discuss and consider the appointment of Place 4 on the Venus Community Service Development Corporation.

I make a motion to appoint Elisabeth Livingstone to the Venus Community Service Development Corporation.

Moved by: Michelle Hamm

Seconded by: Tony Bovinich

For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-0.

8. Executive Session:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.001, ET SEQ. THE CITY COUNCIL WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION (CLOSED MEETING) TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING: SECTION 551.017(1)- Consultation with Attorney. The mayor adjourned into Executive Session at 7:45 pm. The Mayor reconvened into open session at 8:56 pm.

8.1. City of Venus v Saldana Properties, L.P., Cause No. CC-E20210005 pending in County Court at Law #1, Johnson County, Texas.

8.2. Discuss entering into a contract with the Bowman Group regarding consulting services for a comprehensive investigation and assessment of City Hall operations, policies, and practices, including recommendations to enhance efficiency and transparency.

I make a motion to enter into a contract with the Bowman Group regarding consulting services.

Moved by: Teresa Hoffman

Seconded by: Tony Bovinich

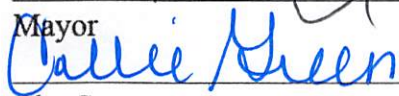
For: Unanimous. Motion carried 3-0-0.

No other action taken.

9. Adjournment:

Mayor Galaviz adjourned the meeting at 08:57 PM.



Mayor


City Secretary