



## CITY OF BANDERA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Bandera City Hall, 511 Main Street, Bandera, Texas  
Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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### MINUTES

#### 1. Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01PM

##### PRESENT

Mayor Rebeca Gibson  
Councilmember Tony Battle  
Councilmember Debbie Breen  
Councilmember Jeff Flowers  
Councilmember Brett Hicks  
Councilmember Lynn Palmer

#### 2. Invocation and Pledge.

Mayor Gibson offered the invocation and all stood for the pledges.

#### 3. Visitors to be heard (shall not exceed 30 minutes total).

There were 5 visitors to be heard.

Carita from the CVB read an email from a visitor thanking the City for the wonderful time they had in Bandera.

The other 4 visitors spoke in reference to a resolution they would like the Council to consider regarding legally valid accurate and transparent elections.

#### 4. Awards.

##### A. Presentation of a 10-year award to Jannett Pieper for 10 years of service to the City Of Bandera.

Mayor Gibson and Treasurer Wright presented Jannett Pieper, Court Clerk an award for 10 years of service and thanked her for her dedication to the City of Bandera.

#### 5. Proclamation.

##### A. Daughters of the American Revolution, Constitution Week.

Mayor Gibson presented a proclamation to Daughters of the American Revolution, Constitution Week.

#### 6. Public Hearing.

##### A. The City of Bandera will conduct a public hearing to review the performance of and obtain comments on its Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Rural Economic Development Plan Contract No. CRP22-0178. Consultants from GrantWorks Inc. will give a presentation of the plan at the hearing.

GrantWorks attended the meeting via teams and explained the final steps of the process for them in the Rural Economic Development Plan. There were still many questions and concerns for the projects and the money. Council decided not to have any action and to have another public hearing so they would have time to investigate the projects further.

**7. Discussion and possible action on the following items:**

**A. Approval of Ordinance 445 adopting the budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025. -Gibson**

**This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last years budget by an amount of \$54,672.61, which is a 3.49% increase from last years budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$9,877.04.**

Motion made by Councilmember Breen to approve Ordinance 445, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion passes.

Roll Call

All Voting Yea

Councilmember Tony Battle

Councilmember Debbie Breen

Councilmember Jeff Flowers

Councilmember Brett Hicks

Councilmember Lynn Palmer

All Voting Nay

None

**B. Approval of Ordinance 446 levying a property tax rate for the tax rate year 2024 at \$0.47000 per \$100 of value and determining due and delinquent dates. Gibson**

Motion made by Councilmember Breen too approve Ordinance 446, Seconded by Councilmember Hicks.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle to approve Ordinance 446, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion passes.

Roll Call

All Voting Yea

Councilmember Tony Battle

Councilmember Debbie Breen

Councilmember Jeff Flowers

Councilmember Brett Hicks

Councilmember Lynn Palmer

All Voting Nay

None

**C. Approval of Resolution 2024-027 ratifying the property tax rate to be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .47, which consists of .030947 Debt Rate & .439053 Maintenance**

**& Operations Rate, which is effectively a 3.49 percent increase in the tax rate increase reflected in the adopted budget for fiscal year 2024-2025. Gibson**

Motion made by Councilmember Battle to approve Resolution 2024-027, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer Motion passes.

**D. Adoption of the utility rates for 2024-2025 budget year. -Gibson**

Motion made by Councilmember Palmer to approve the adoption of the utility rates for 2024-2025 budget year, Seconded by Councilmember Breen.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion passes.

**E. Adoption of the fee schedule for 2024-2025 budget year.-Gibson**

Motion made by Councilmember Palmer to approve the adoption of the fee schedule for 2024-2025 budget year , Seconded by Councilmember Battle.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion passes.

**F. Approval of Resolution 2024-030 of the City of Bandera approving annual Investment Policy. -Wright**

Motion made by Councilmember Battle to approve Resolution 2024-030 approving annual Investment Policy, Seconded by Councilmember Hicks.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion Passes

**G. Approval of the BEDC 2024-2025 proposed budget. -Gibson**

Motion made by Councilmember Breen to approve the BEDC 2024-2025 proposed budget, Seconded by Councilmember Flowers.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion Passes.

**H. Approval of Resolution 2024-031 for the facility use agreement with the Bandera Chamber of Commerce for a Circus in Bandera City Park. -Farmer**

Motion made by Councilmember Battle to approve Resolution 2024-029 for the facility use agreement with the Bandera Chamber of Commerce for a Circus in Bandera City Park.,

Seconded by Councilmember Palmer.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Battle, Councilmember Breen, Councilmember Flowers, Councilmember Hicks, Councilmember Palmer. Motion Passes.

**I. Resolution number 2024-032, accepting the City of Bandera 2025-2035 Rural Economic Development Plan.-Gibson**

This item was postponed to the next agenda.

**8. Closed Session.**

The Mayor closed the open meeting at 8:02PM.

**A. *The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.***

***A) Waste Water Treatment Plant***

**B. *The City Council will meet in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, to discuss and receive an update on Best Western.***

**9. Action following Closed Session.**

The Mayor opened the meeting at 8:02PM to the public.

There was no action.

**10. Requests and Announcements.**

**A. Requests by Council to place items on an agenda.**

There were no requests to place items on a future agenda.

**B. Announcements by Council.**

Councilmember Battle announced he had a meeting with Pate Dawson about the 2025 Transportation grant that looks very promising.

Homecoming Parade on September 11, 2024.

**11. Adjourn.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03PM.

/s/ Jill Shelton

Jill Shelton, City Secretary