

**CITY OF BASTROP
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 21, 2024**

The Bastrop City Council met in a Special Meeting on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bastrop Convention Center, 1408 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas, with the following action taken to wit:

Council Members Present

Mayor Lyle Nelson
Mayor Pro Tempore Kirkland
Council Member Meyer
Council Member Lee
Council Member Fossler
Council Member Plunkett

Staff Present

City Manager Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino
Assistant City Manager Andres Rosales
City Attorney Alan Bojorquez
Assistant City Secretary Victoria Psencik
Assistant to the City Manager, Viviana Andres

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nelson called the Special City Council Meeting to order at 6:51 p.m. with a quorum present.

2. CITIZEN COMMENT(S)

Bastrop citizen(s) addressing the City Council on an item, not on the agenda: Chris Kirby, Carlo Liriano, Linda Curtis, Susan Long, and Doris Williams

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

3A. Consider and act on approving Resolution R2024-11 approving a bid from Moab Construction for \$84,449 for the completion of the renovations at City Hall for the new BEDC offices.

Submitted/Presented by: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager and Interim BEDC Director.

MOTION: Council Member Plunkett moved to approve Resolution No. R-2024-165 for a bid from Moab Construction for City Hall renovations for BEDC offices. Council Member Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

3B. Consider and act on requiring the City Manager to meet with Mayor Nelson.

Submitted by: Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

MOTION: Council Member Meyer moved for the City Manager and the Mayor to meet on the condition that a third (3rd) person will be present at the City Manager's request of that person. Council Member Fossler seconded the motion.

AMENDED MOTION: Council Member Meyer (amended) moved for the condition of the City Manager and the Mayor to meet for weekly planning / informational meetings to

include a staff member selected by the City Manager. Council Member Fossler agreed with the amendment and seconded the amended motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 4A. **City Council shall convene into closed executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.074 to seek the advice of legal counsel regarding Resolution No. R-2024-XX of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, initiating an investigation by the City Council into the conduct of the City Manager.**

Submitted by: Mayor Nelson and Council-Member Lee

Editor's Note: Mayor Nelson asked City Manager Carrillo-Trevino if she would like Item 4A discussed in Open Session due to Texas Local Government Code 551.074 (Personnel Matters) and she agreed to keep the discussion in Open Session.

The City Council convened at 7:25 p.m. into closed Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, et seq, to discuss the following:

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Mayor Nelson recessed the Executive Session and reconvened the Open Session at 7:38 p.m.

No action taken from the Executive Session.

Editor's Note: Mayor Nelson allowed Council Member Lee to introduce Item 4A.

MOTION: Council Member Meyer moved to allow the City Manager to present a response to Item 4A. Mayor Pro Tem Kirkland seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 to 2 with Council Member Lee and Council Member Fossler voting against.

Editor's Note: After the above motion was passed, City Manager Carrillo-Trevino proceeded with her presentation of a response to Item 4A.

Citizen Comment(s) on Item 4A:

Addressed the Council in person: Jordan Scott, Deborah Jones, Judith Hoover, Kay Rogers, Johnny Sanders, Dock Jackson, Ken Kesselus, Joe Grady Tuck, Rebecca Schaefer, Chris Kirby, Sheila Lowe, Melinda Larson, Jimmy Crouch, Linda Curtis, Cecilia Serna, and Lillie Piper

Did not wish to address the Council but wants to record opposition to Item 4A: Cheryl Long, Jerod Hruska, Steve Durham, Ishmael Harris, Barabara Coy, Brittany Rogers,

Lindsay Kana, William Holford, Frank Rainosek, Molly McClure, Shawn Kana, Jacki Gabryshak, Kelsi Owen, Becki Womble, Jami Haney, Bernie Jackson, Lauren Anderson, Billy Moore, Shawn Sinner, Denise McNeill, Larry Haney, Rick Womble, Frances Moreno, Krystal Grimes, Tom Scott, Jamie Howard, Valerie Lancaster, Nancy Scott, Tina Longoria, Stephen Lee, Peter Gabryshak, Ashley Mutschink, Tammy Dickey, Barbara Caldwell, Rex Drake, Dianna Greenwood, Michael Owen, Steven Coon, George Martinez, Rebecca Privette, Larry Young, Carmelo Otero, Cathy Martinez, Mike Turner, Stephanie Jenkins, Ray Long, Evan Moilan, Katherine Albers, Edwin Travis, Matthew Mix, Lee Raspberry, Jennifer Marshall, Jesse Shoemaker, Barry Edwards, Amanda Hurst, Carole Steindorff, Charitty Alexander, Donald Baron, Becky Naddef, Clyde Clardy, Rebecca Christensen, Brynda Fowler, Robert Steubing, Bailey Grzyb, Donald Conkel, Michael Prokop – (changed to position to opposition of Item 4A on 11/22/2024 in person), Rebecca Price, Mel Cooper, Sara Rutherford, Kristi Lee, Jane Ramsay-McCoach

Did not wish to address the Council but wants to record support to Item 4A:

Mary Freeman

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kirkland moved to deny Mayor Nelson and Council Member Lee’s request to call for an investigation of the City Manager. Council Member Plunkett seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Council Member Lee voting against.

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tempore Kirkland moved to direct the City Manager to bring back individual resolutions of support for each of the staff members that were mentioned in the fake dossier from Council Member Lee. Council Member Plunkett seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Council Member Lee voting against.

MOTION: Council Member Meyer moved that the Bastrop City Council formally expresses confidence in the leadership and performance of City Manager Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino recognizing her contributions to the efficient management of our city and her dedication to serving the Bastrop community. Mayor Pro Tempore Kirkland seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Council Member Lee voting against.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Upon receiving a motion and a second to adjourn, the November 21st Special Meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m. without objection.

CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS

Lyle Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Victoria Psencik, Assistant City Secretary