

RESOLUTION NO. R-2025-51

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS,
AUTHORIZING A AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF
PROCEDURE BY ADDING SECTION 2.16 COUNCIL
USE OF LEGAL SERVICES ; AUTHORIZING
EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS;
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop, Texas (“City”) is a Home-Rule City acting under its Charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has a goal of transparency as it relates to budget and legal expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Council has a goal to set spending limits amongst the members of the Council in an attempt to increase transparency and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the Council has a duty to ensure public funds are spent in a responsible manner; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is necessary and proper to enact this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, THAT:

Section 1. All of the above premises are hereby found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, and are hereby approved and incorporated into the body of this Resolution as if copied in their entirety.

Section 2. The City Council authorizes the amendment to the Rules of Procedure as shown in Exhibit A

Section 3. Should any portion or part of this Resolution be held for any reason invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion hereof, but all valid portions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Section 5. The City Council hereby finds and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place, and subject of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted was posted and that such meeting was open to the public as

required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter hereof were discussed, considered, and formally acted upon, all as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

DULY RESOLVED & ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, on this, the 25th day of February, 2025.

THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

John Kirkland, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

Attachment A

2.16 Council Use of Legal Services The Council shall have a personal identification number, PIN, assigned each fiscal year that corresponds to a fixed dollar amount, determined by Council at each budget appropriation, that shall be used when the services of the City Attorney are sought. If funds are expended prior to the end of the budget period, the Council Member shall request an agenda item before the entire council to seek additional funds.