



CITY OF IOWA COLONY

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, October 20, 2025
7:00 PM**

Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, 3144 Meridiana Parkway, Iowa Colony, Texas 77583

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BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS, the 20th day of October 2025, the City Council of the City of Iowa Colony, Texas, held a meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Iowa Colony City Council Chambers, there being present and in attendance the following members to wit:

Mayor Wil Kennedy
Mayor Pro Tem Marquette Greene-Scott
Councilmember Nikki Brooks
Councilmember Arnetta Murray
Councilmember Tim Varlack
Councilmember Kareem Boyce
Councilmember Sydney Hargroder

And none being absent, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Varlack prayed aloud.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were recited.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reserved for formal presentations and proclamations.

1. Proclamation- Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Kennedy read the Breast Cancer Proclamation aloud.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Valeria Thompson expressed concerns regarding the county's movement of dirt and requested information about the soil. She stated that county staff informed her the material was contaminated and therefore she could not have it. However, she has observed other individuals receiving portions of the soil. She questioned why others are allowed to take it if it is considered unsafe or hazardous. Ms. Thompson is requesting answers about the soil, including why some residents are permitted to obtain it while others are not, the county's policy for soil disposal or distribution during projects, and the criteria used to determine eligibility.

Carolyn Bowen spoke about uniform development codes, noting that while new developments follow uniform standards, the rural areas do not. She expressed concern that these standards are being imposed on rural residents unfairly. She also commented on the City Manager search process.

Kristina Hanson invited the City Council to the grand opening celebration for the Ellwood Development.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott thanked everyone in attendance and noted that the City Council is currently in the process of hiring a new City Manager. She reminded the public that early voting is underway and that Election Day is November 4.

Councilmember Murray thanked everyone for attending.

Councilmember Brooks reported that she met with the Historical Committee, shared the committee's plan, and encouraged interested residents to apply for membership.

Councilmember Hargroder expressed appreciation for those in attendance.

Councilmember Boyce also thanked the attendees. He noted that the City Manager candidates were able to engage in productive conversations with residents during the search process. He thanked the members of the Charter Committee and recognized the Teen Advisory Committee for their service at the Houston Food Bank, stating he is very proud of them.

Councilmember Varlack thanked the attendees and the members of the Charter Committee, noting that they have begun reviewing potential amendments to the city charter. He encouraged residents to review the charter and share any suggestions or proposed amendments. He also reminded everyone that early voting is underway.

Mayor Kennedy invited Reverend Will Cumby to deliver an additional invocation, and Reverend Cumby offered a prayer aloud.

STAFF REPORTS

2. Building Official/Fire Marshal Monthly Report
3. Police Department Monthly Report
4. Municipal Court Monthly Report
5. Public Works Monthly Report
6. City Engineer's Report
7. Finance Monthly Reports
8. Technology Department Monthly Report
9. Water/Wastewater Utility Monthly Report

Councilmember Varlack inquired about the Technology Department report; however, the staff member was not present to answer questions.

Sergeant Earl presented information on the Shield Program that the Police Department is working to implement.

The Council recessed back into worksession at 7:46 P.M. The Council returned into the City Council meeting at 7:58 P.M.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

10. Consideration and possible action to designate a representative and alternate for the 2026 H-GAC General Assembly.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to designate Sydney Hargroder as the Representative and Kareem Boyce as the Alternate, Seconded by Councilmember Brooks.
Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

11. Consideration and possible action on engineering design services agreement for the water treatment plant and water well.

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to approve the engineering design services agreement for the water treatment plant and water well and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.
Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

12. Consideration and possible action on an ordinance allowing outdoor burning inside the city limits.

Motion made by Councilmember Varlack to adopt an ordinance on first reading regulating outdoor burning within the city limits as presented, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.
Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce
Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Brooks

13. Consideration and possible action to appoint members to an Advisory Committee for the upcoming Impact Fee Study.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott to appoint Brian Johnson to the impact fee advisory committee, Seconded by Councilmember Hargroder.
Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

14. Consideration and possible action on a petition for annexation of a 5-acre tract (Property ID No. 176230) from Tracie and James Yoder.

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to accept the petition for the Yoder's for voluntary annexation of approximately 5 acres and direct staff to proceed with the required notices and actions and to set the public hearing on November 17, 2025 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall; 3144 Meridiana Parkway, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.
Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

15. Consideration and possible action to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with D&M Leasing for Public Safety Vehicles.

Motion made by Councilmember Varlack to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with D&M Leasing for public safety vehicles, subject to legal review, Seconded by Councilmember Murray.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

16. Consideration and possible action appointing members to the Parks and Recreation Board.

Motion made by Councilmember Murray to appoint Angel Jones, Terry Hayes, and Megan Sablajakovic to the Parks and Recreation Committee, Seconded by Councilmember Varlack.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

17. Consideration and possible action to cast a vote for a candidate to serve on the Texas Municipal League Region 14 Board of Directors.

Motion made by Councilmember Brooks to cast the City of Iowa Colony's vote for Emmanuel Guerrero to serve on the TML Region 14 Board of Directors, Seconded by Councilmember Hargroder.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

Voting Abstaining: Mayor Kennedy

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Hargroder to approve all consent items as presented, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Murray, Mayor Pro Tem Greene-Scott, Mayor Kennedy, Councilmember Hargroder, Councilmember Varlack, Councilmember Boyce, Councilmember Brooks

18. Consider approval of the September 8, 2025 City Council worksession minutes.
19. Consider approval of the September 8, 2025 City Council meeting minutes.
20. Consider approval of the September 15, 2025 City Council worksession minutes.
21. Consider approval of the September 15, 2025 City Council meeting minutes.
22. Consider approval of Wunserra Section 1 Preliminary Plat.
23. Consider approval of Wunserra Section 2 Preliminary Plat.
24. Consider approval of Wunserra Street Dedication and Reserves Section 1 Preliminary Plat.
25. Consider approval of Wunserra Waste Water Treatment Plant.
26. Consider approval of Wunserra Phase I General Plan.
27. Consider approval of Wunserra Section 3 Preliminary Plat.
28. Consider approval of Wunserra Section 4 Preliminary Plat.
29. Consider approval of Wunserra Water Plant Preliminary Plat.
30. Consider approval of The Market at Creekhaven North Final Plat.
31. Consider approval of El Alaniz Addition Section 2 Preliminary Plat.
32. Consider approval of Ellwood Detention Reserve D Final Plat.
33. Consider approval of Ellwood Detention Reserve E Phase I Final Plat.
34. Consider approval of Ellwood Detention Reserve F Final Plat.
35. Consider approval of Creekhaven Section 7 Preliminary Plat.

36. Consider approval of Creekhaven Section 8 Preliminary Plat.
37. Consider request for projects to be included in the FY 26 interlocal agreement (ILA) with Brazoria County for road projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- 8:39 P.M.

Executive session in accordance with 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Gov't Code to deliberate and consult with attorney on the following:

38. Discuss matters pertaining to the selection process for a new City Manager.
39. Discuss City Attorney employment, duties, and compensation.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION- 10:31 P.M.

40. Consideration and possible action on Executive Session matters.

There was no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 15th DAY OF DECEMBER 2025

Kayleen Rosser, City Secretary

Wil Kennedy, Mayor

