



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SEPTEMBER 18, 2025
6:30 PM**

The Joshua City Council held a Work Session at 6:30 pm. A Regular Meeting will be held immediately following the Work Session in the Council Chambers at Joshua City Hall, located at 101 S. Main St., Joshua, Texas. This meeting is subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

Mayor Kimble announced a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. United States of America
2. Texas Flag

C. INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Councilmember Mike Kidd.

1. Review and discuss questions related to the budget report for August 2025. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

City Manager Peacock presented the August 2025 Budget Report, noting that only two months remain before the fiscal year closes. He stated there were no major changes to report at this time.

2. Discussion on the Animal Shelter Fundraiser Campaign.

City Secretary Holloway provided a brief update on the Animal Shelter Fundraising Campaign, noting that a T-shirt contest is currently underway. She also shared that JISD is developing a plan to assist with the campaign, and several other initiatives are in progress.

3. Discussion on the agreement with the Joshua Area Chamber of Commerce and direct staff regarding the exploration of a possible new chamber organization. (Staff Resource: N. Fussner)

City Manager Peacock provided an update, stating that the plan is to establish a new board. He mentioned the possibility of requesting the City Council to appoint the members. City Manager Peacock stated that he also met with the Type A EDC, and Councilmember Anderson provided an update on behalf of the Type A Board. City Council gave directions to continue moving forward with efforts to create an active and effective Chamber of Commerce.

E. UPDATES FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS, UPDATES FROM CITY STAFF MEMBERS:

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, the Mayor and Members of the City Council may report on the following items of community interest, including (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations, or

condolences; (2) information about holiday schedules, (3) recognition of individuals; (4) reminders about upcoming City Council events; (5) information about community events; and (6) announcements involving any imminent threat to public health and safety. Staff Updates will address operational issues in various City departments. No deliberation is authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Mike Peacock reported that the Humane Society has agreed to take in up to five dogs at a time. He noted that the City is providing some cages and has developed a cost estimate to assist with the adoption of dogs that are deemed adoptable.

F. PUBLIC FORUM, PRESENTATION, AND RECOGNITION:

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic. However, unless the item is specifically noted on this agenda, the City Council is required under the Texas Open Meetings Act to limit its response to responding with a statement of specific factual information, reciting the City's existing policy, or directing the person making the inquiry to visit with City Staff about the issue. Therefore, no Council deliberation is permitted. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak.

Chief Fullagar introduced the new Police Officer, Chris Fетters.

Speakers:

- **Craig Hunley** – Spoke regarding JCAD nominations, noting that Peter Stenson is running for re-election.
- **Peter Svendsen** – Provided an update on recent actions taken by JCAD, including a \$500,000 budget reduction, the dismissal of the Chief Appraiser, and the initiation of a comprehensive office audit.
- **Brandi McNeil** – Reported that all outstanding tax issues have been resolved, including reinstatement with TWC due to previously unpaid taxes. She mentioned that two board members resigned after several agenda items were tabled at a meeting. Ms. McNeil stated she has attempted to contact Nora without success, but has received support from the Texas Chamber Organization, which has agreed to assist. The current Chamber has over 60 members. She expressed understanding that the City may be starting a new chamber but hopes to continue working collaboratively with the City and EDC.

1. Presentation on Delinquent Tax and Court Fine/Fee Collections by Alison Callison, Attorney and Partner with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, LLP.

Ms. Alison Callison, attorney and partner with the law firm Purdue, provided an overview of the firm's history, mission, and core values. She explained their work in tax and court collections and noted that Bruce serves as the senior partner.

Ms. Melissa, also with the firm, gave a court collections report noting \$5 million in total collections, with \$1.6 million collected and \$4.3 million outstanding. She also shared that a new text messaging program has been implemented to assist with collections.

2. Proclamation declaring September 17–23, 2025, as *Constitution Week*, in recognition of the signing of the United States Constitution.

Mayor Kimble read aloud and signed a proclamation recognizing *Constitution Week*.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the August 21, 2025, meeting minutes.
2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on a Resolution adopting the purchasing policy. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)

3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the closure of certain accounts at Pinnacle Bank. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)
4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on a Resolution adopting the 2024 Johnson County Hazard Mitigation plan. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Anderson to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Kidd.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrip, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

H. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance approving the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Waldrip to approve the Ordinance as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Nichols.

Record Vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrip, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on ratifying the property tax revenue increase in the budget for fiscal year (FY) 2025-2026. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Kidd to ratify the property tax revenue. Seconded by Councilmember Waldrip.

Record Vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrip, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance adopting the City of Joshua 2025 Ad Valorem Property Tax Rate. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Nichols to approve the ordinance as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Kidd.

Record Vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrip, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance amending the FY 2025 budget. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Anderson to approve as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Waldrip.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrip, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

5. Public hearing on a request to consider an ordinance amending Subsections (C)(1), "Public Hearing and Notice," and (D)(3), "Action of the City Council," of Section 3.1.4, "Amendments, Changes and Administrative Procedures," of Article 3, "Processes and Procedures," of the City's Zoning Ordinance, relative to zoning public notice, public hearings and zoning protests; and amending Section 5.8, "Home Occupations," of Article 5, "Permitted Uses," of the City's Zoning Ordinance, to include the preemptive effect of Section 229.902 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Mayor Kimble opened the public hearing at 7:33 p.m.

Assistant City Manager Maldonado presented the staff report. City Attorney provided additional clarification, explaining that the proposed ordinance update is intended to align the City's regulations with current state law.

There were no public comments. Mayor Kimble closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

6. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approving an ordinance amending Subsections (C)(1), "Public Hearing and Notice," and (D)(3), "Action of the City Council," of Section 3.1.4, "Amendments, Changes and Administrative Procedures," of Article 3, "Processes and Procedures," of the City's Zoning Ordinance, relative to zoning public notice, public hearings and zoning protests; and amending Section 5.8, "Home Occupations," of Article 5, "Permitted Uses," of the City's Zoning Ordinance, to include the preemptive effect of Section 229.902 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Motion made by Councilmember Anderson to approve as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Nichols.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approving an Ordinance amending Chapter 13, "Utilities," Article 13.03, "Sewage Disposal," to Add Provisions Related to Water Wells and Modify Septic Tank Distance Regulations. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado).

Motion made by Councilmember Waldrup to approve as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approving an Ordinance repealing Section 903.2.11.9, "Buildings over 6,000 square feet," contained in Section 3.02.152, "Amendments," of Division 3, "Building Code," of Article 3.02, "Technical and Construction Codes and Standards," of Chapter 3, "Building Regulations," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joshua, Texas; and repealing Section 903.2.11.9, "Buildings over 6,000 square feet," contained in Section 5.02.002, "Amendments," of Article 5.02, "International Fire Code," of Chapter 5, "Fire Prevention and Protection," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joshua, Texas. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock).

Motion made by Councilmember Nichols to approve as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Anderson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on a Resolution affirming nominations regarding candidate(s) for the Board of Directors for the Central Appraiser District of Johnson County. (Staff Resource: M. Peacock)

Motion made by Councilmember Kidd to nominate Mr. Peter Svendsen. Seconded by Councilmember Waldrup.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

10. Discuss, consider, and possible action regarding the appointment of board members. (A. Holloway)

Mayor Kimble announced that the City Council would recess into Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. for consultation with the City Attorney.

City Secretary read out loud the board appointments:

Board Name	Board Member Name	Position
Planning & Zoning	Jerry Moore	Place 3
	Michael Frazier	Place 4
	Brent Gibson	Place 5
	Mark Rayburn	Alt 1
Type A EDC	David Morgan	Place 1
	Johnny Waldrip	Place 3
	Esley Henderson	Place 5
	Mark Rayburn	Place 6
	James Stephens	Place 7
	Elizabeth Webb	Alt. 1
Type B EDC	Carol Filly	Place 1
	Robbie Rumfield	Place 2
	Melissa Frazier	Place 3
	David Busse	Place 5
	Amy Sorter	Place 6
	Ashton Nicks	Place 7
	Mark Rayburn	Alt. 1
Heritage Preservation	Angela Nichols	Place 1
	Robbie Rumfield	Place 2
	Kristoffer Maddox	Place 3
	Ashton Nicks	Place 4
	Jeffrey Weldon	Place 5
Zoning Board of Adj.	Jerry Moore	Place 1
	Glen Walden	Place 3
	Brent Gibson	Place 5
Library	Scott Kimble	City Rep.
	Angela Nichols	Place 2
	Sarah Breedlove	Place 3

Motion made by Councilmember Kidd to approve as read by the City Secretary. Seconded by Councilmember Nichols.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols

Voting Abstaining: Councilmember Anderson

I. STAFF REPORT

1. Police Department
2. Municipal Court
3. Animal Services
4. Code Compliance
5. Development Services
6. Public Works
7. City Secretary's Office

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of the City of Joshua will recess into Executive Session (Closed Meeting) pursuant to the provisions of chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:

1. Pursuant to Section 551.071, to consult with the City Attorney regarding legal issues associated with development agreements, and all matters incident and related thereto.
2. In accordance with the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, to deliberate regarding the appointment, employment, and evaluation of a public officer or employee:
 - a. City Manager
 - b. City Secretary
 - c. Personnel

K. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551, the City Council will reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on matters discussed in executive session.

Mayor Kimble announced the City Council is back in regular session at 9:54 pm.

Motion made by Councilmember Anderson to approve and authorize the mayor to execute the city manager and city secretary agreements. Seconded by Councilmember Waldrup.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Waldrup, Councilmember Kidd, Councilmember Nichols, Councilmember Anderson

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/REQUESTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Councilmembers shall not comment upon, deliberate, or discuss any item that is not on the agenda. Councilmembers shall not make routine inquiries about operations or project status on an item that is not posted. However, any Councilmember may state an issue and request to place the item on a future agenda.

Councilmember Anderson stated that if needed, add policy discussion, if resolved, send email.

M. ADJOURN

Mayor Kimble adjourned the meeting at 9:56 pm.

Approved: October 16, 2025

Scott Kimble, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice Holloway, City Secretary