



City of Fredericksburg

City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 5, 2025 ~ 9:00 AM
New City Hall at East Campus
2818 E. U.S. Hwy. 290
Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

City Council

Jeryl Hoover, Mayor
Emily Kirchner, Mayor Pro-Tem
Bobby Watson, Councilmember
Tony Klein, Councilmember
Todd Eidson, Councilmember

City Staff

Clinton Bailey, City Manager
Garret Bonn, Assistant City Manager
Leticia Vacek, City Secretary
Mick McKamie, City Attorney
Krista Wareham, Finance Director
Brian Vorauer, Police Chief
Kris Kneese, Public Works/Utilities Director
Cliff Cross, Development Services Director
Aaron Anderegg, IT Director
Sean Doerre, Public Information Officer
Evan Williamson, Asst Public Works Dir
Derek Seelig, Police Lt.
Frank Stead, Fire/EMS
Amy Burrier, Fire/EMS
Brandon Gold, Assistant IT Director
Sibyl Deckard, Staff Engineer
Cody Otis, IT Specialist
Tyler Debish, STR Coordinator
Alyssa Rivera, PD Outreach Specialist
Leslie Ball-Embrey, Asst to City Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Jeryl Hoover called the meeting to order.
2. **INVOCATION**
Dave White, Elder at Hill Country Church was unable to attend.
3. **PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**
Mayor Jeryl Hoover led the Pledges to the US Flag and Texas Flag.
4. **CEREMONIAL MATTERS/EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

- A. Service recognition of Marty Kaderli who served 20+ years on the Market Square Redevelopment Commission and Food & Wine Fest Committee (Andrea Schmidt, Parks & Recreation Director)

Mrs. Marty Kaderli was recognized for her 20 years of service on the Market Square Redevelopment Commission and the Food & Wine Committee. Mrs. Schmidt recognized her for her dedication and tenure with an appreciation plaque and added that it has been an honor to work alongside Marty. Tim Crenwelge also thanked Marty stating that he enjoyed working by Marty's side on this long journey. Marty complimented Andrea as a stellar Parks Director. Marty introduced Claire, her granddaughter who accompanied her.

- B. Recognition of City of Fredericksburg Departments that assisted Kerr County with the Flooding Disaster. (City Manager Clinton Bailey and Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief)

City Manager Bailey reported on a series of events that occurred during the weekend of the July 4, 2025 flooding. He stated that the following departments of Water, Electric, Police, and Fire/EMS spent many hours assisting with the various needs.

Fire Chief Bizzell served as the Incident Commander in Ingram. Clinton thanked all city employees, including Lynn's wife, Janet Bizzell, and his wife, LeeAnn Bailey, and the City Council who made sandwiches for the volunteers. Chief Bizzell reported that he realized the huge task ahead and decided they would need more assistance. He formed a rescue team with a goal to reunite those missing with their loved ones. He stated that Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner and other volunteers from her church made some of the best sandwiches ever. Lastly, he thanked the crew and every individual who had come out to assist.

5. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Eidson reported on having attended the CVB Board Meeting, attended the TML Training for Newly Elected Officers in San Antonio and tonight will attend the LGC Alumni announcement of the newest class.

Councilmember Klein said he attended the Commissioners Court Meeting where they discussed the July 4th flooding and the battery storage project. He added that the County appointed Steve Olfers as the Fire Marshal. He also made mention of the upcoming Joint Meeting which is scheduled for Thursday.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner announced school is back in session beginning next week and reported all start dates for all area schools. She also shared that the Special Session is ongoing in Austin. She added that Democrats have broken quorum, and they are in a waiting period now. She indicated she has been in touch with the School Board about the bills passed in the regular session. On the flood relief efforts; she reported the State and Feds are doing work with their contractors. She recited the following statement, "Do for one person what you wish you could do for everyone." She stated that helping with one more meal or helping wash windows would mean much. Lastly, she stated that she was grateful to be part of this community assisting Kerrville.

Councilmember Watson reported on the Airport Board Meeting that he attended announcing that this year's Santa Fly-In will take place on December 20. He added that the Hangar is at 100% and the wait list is up to 46. Additionally, the FBO continues to be remarkably busy. Crosswind Aviation has hired two more instructors for a total of 5 and added 2 additional aircraft. He added that the Texas Forest Service has allocated \$200 Million to their aviation budget this year and hopes that some of the money will be used to build a permanent site in Fredericksburg. He also reported that TacAero now has 8 instructors. He stated that for the Food and Wine Preview Week 877 tickets sold compared to 394 last year. The Preview Week gross revenue was \$43,970,00 of which \$40,000k was donated to the Kerr County Relief Fund. A match of 40k was made by Happy State Bank for a total donation of \$80k. He reported that he toured the 8-mile flood site with the Clinton, Garret and Reagan and stated that it was incredibly devastating. Lastly, he stated that the manpower, volunteers, and amount of equipment there was overwhelming.

6. CONSENT

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY BE ACTED UPON IN A SINGLE MOTION. NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OR ACTION ON ANY OF THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD UNLESS PULLED AT THE REQUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

- A. Consider approval of City Council Special Budget Meeting of July 9, 2025, and July 15, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting. (Leticia Vacek, City Secretary)
- B. Consider approval of renewing the Interlocal Agreement with FISD for the 2025-2026 School Year of the Juvenile Case Manager Program with the Fredericksburg ISD for prevention and intervention in truancy and fine-only juvenile-related offenses. (Shelley Becker, Municipal Court Judge)

Councilmember Eidson moved to approve the consent agenda items consisting of Items 6A and 6B. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Consideration and adoption of Ordinance 2025-24 establishing the School Speed Zone of 30 mph during peak School Times on Friendship Lane. (Evan Williamson, Asst. Director of Public Works/Utilities)

Mr. Williamson presented Ordinance 2025-24 establishing the School Speed Zone of 30 mph during peak School Times on Friendship Lane.

Councilmember Klein moved to adopt Ordinance 2025-24 establishing the School Speed Zone of 30 mph during peak School Times on Friendship Lane. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner seconded the motion. Mayor Hoover stated that a comment in favor was received from Mark Cornett. The motion carried unanimously.

8. OTHER ACTION ITEMS AND UPDATES

- A. Presentation of Proposed Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2026. (Krista Wareham, Finance Director)

Krista presented the Tax Rates for 2026. She covered the Truth in Taxation powerpoint. She read the definitions for the No New Tax Rate and the Voter-Approval Tax Rate. She referred to the current rate, no-new revenue rate, voter-approval rate and the de-minimus rate. She also showed the tax value example. tax value. Councilmember Klein asked if the assessments had increased. Krista replied that they had.

Lastly, Krista showed a slide depicting the “where do my tax dollars go” and added that a Joint Meeting with the County would follow on Thursday at 9am at the Elections Office. Another Budget Workshop was reported to be scheduled for August 19th in lieu of the Regular Council Meeting.

9. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

A. Various Department Directors provided Updates.

Cliff Cross reviewed a slide of the Development Services Department showing the Department Activity from April to June 2025. He covered the Short-Term Rental activity showing activity. He referenced a slide showing the status of Subdivisions. He also reported on the RFQ for the Unified Development Code, and possible grant same. Lastly, he stated he would be bringing the 2021 Trade Codes before Council and that the new Assistant Development Services Director begins in September.

Evan Williamson reported on Public Works and the following Wells: Knauth which is a few feet higher than last year and Old San Antonio Well which is the same level as last year.

Andrea Schmidt provided an update on their ongoing projects. She stated that on the Tourism Fund, all decorative light poles are compliant now. She covered the Special Events for the month of August and noted their open positions. She shared that the pools would remain open through August 10, 2025.

Garret Bonn provided an update for the New City Hall and its scheduled completion and move-in which is anticipated in December.

Krista Wareham provided an update on revenues vs expenditures for the month of June 2025. A comparison by city of sales tax was reviewed. She also covered the electric and water consumption.

Police Chief Vorauer reported on incidents and arrests with a 21% increase from 198 to 239 arrests. He noted the increase accounts for DWIs, PIs and Possession of. He stated it was the same offense, just more frequent. He noted that accidents also increased by 19%. On Ordinance violations water has been at 321 and noise at 94. He noted that the Animal Shelter cost to operate is \$210,000 which is estimated to run up to \$250,000.

Frank Stead reported on the year-to-year comparison related to responses, incidents, and calls for responses for January 2025.

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- A. City Manager Bailey reviewed the Future Agenda Items and Meetings List with the Council focusing on the upcoming meetings.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hoover announced that the Council would recess into executive session at 10:46 am to discuss the following items pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 and 551.074.

- A. Legal Matters Update - Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Mick McKamie - TOASE)
- B. Consider and discuss the appointment, reappointment, or reassignment of City Board/Commission members to fill a vacancy on the Historic Review Board - Texas Government Code Section 551.074. (Leticia Vacek, City Secretary)
- C. Consider and discuss the appointment of a temporary Deputy Fire Marshal to assist the Gillespie County Fire Marshal.

12. BUSINESS ITEM

Mayor Hoover announced that the City Council reconvened into Regular Session at 11:49 am and indicated that the Council may act on any item posted in Executive Session.

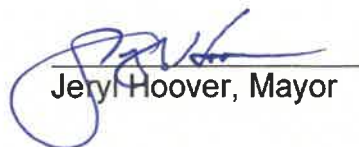
- A. No action taken.

B. Councilmember Eidson moved to appoint Shawn Vinclorek to fill a vacancy on the Historic Review Board. Councilmember Klein seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. No action taken.

13. ADJOURN

There being no further items to discuss, Mayor Hoover adjourned the meeting at 11:49am.


Jeryl Hoover, Mayor

Attest:


Leticia Vacek, TRMC, CMC, MMC
City Secretary