



City of Fredericksburg

City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 5, 2026 ~ 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, Asst. City Manager
Leticia Vacek, City Secretary
Maria Garcia, Asst. City Attorney
Cliff Cross, Director, Development Services
Kris Kneese, Director, Public Works/Utilities
Krista Wareham, Director, Finance
Brian Vorauer, Police Chief
Lynn Bizzell, Fire Chief
Andrea Schmidt, Director, Parks/Recreation
Sean Doerre, Public Information Officer
Aaron Anderegg, Director, IT
Laurie Cassidy, Deputy City Secretary
Tyler Hooper, Asst. Director, Finance
Brandon Gold, Asst. Director, IT
Cody Oris, IT Specialist
Alyssa Rivera, PD Outreach Specialist

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the meeting to order and noted a quorum was present.

2. INVOCATION

Alan Littman from the First Baptist Church delivered the invocation.

3. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hoover led the Pledges.

4. CEREMONIAL RECOGNITIONS

- A. Mayor Hoover recognized Krista Wareham, Director of Finance and her staff for receiving the GFOA Award for the 10th consecutive year. He also recognized all of the Finance Department Staff for their contributions to the department.

- B. Mayor Hoover read and presented a Proclamation to Leticia Vacek, City Secretary, in recognition of the 57th Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week. He also recognized Laurie Cassidy, Deputy City Secretary, for her support to the Office of the City Secretary.

5. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Eidson congratulated Tony, Randy, and Gary on the election. He noted that he attended two CVB meetings last week and the Town Hall meeting. He thanked Bobby Watson for hosting the Town Hall.

Councilmember Klein reported that he also attended the Town Hall meeting last week. He shared that at the County Commissioners' meeting due to the treasurer's decision they have a lower bond rating which they are working on. He thanked everyone who came out to vote.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner congratulated those that won the election. She shared that it is happy Travel and Tourism Week, happy Small Business Week and happy Economic Development Week. She expressed that it has been a high honor to serve on Council the past four years and stated that for her, it has always been about the people.

Councilmember Watson congratulated everyone who won the election. He reported that on April 13th he attended the Fredericksburg Parks Foundation Board Meeting. On April 16th he attended the Chamber of Commerce Fun After Five Event. On April 17th he attended the CVB Meeting. On April 23rd through April 25th there was a T6 Fly In all around town. He noted in September there will be a Cessna 120 and 140 meeting of approximately 40 aircraft. He mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce Restaurant Week begins today. On May 9th the Lincoln Street Makers Market will be held. Lastly, he also attended the Town Hall meeting.

Mayor Hoover congratulated the newly elected officers. He expressed his wish today is to close the meeting by 10:30 am to allow the staff to attend employee Dennis Durst funeral.

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 Minutes for the April 7, 2026 Regular Meeting. (Leticia Vacek, City Secretary)
- B. Approve a street closure request for the Fredericksburg Morning Rotary Club's 16th annual Kraut Run, taking place on Saturday, October 3, 2026. (Jennifer Krupa, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation/Special Events Coordinator)
PULLED
- C. Approve a street closure request for the Fredericksburg Car Fest, scheduled for Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Marktplatz (Jennifer Krupa, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation/Special Events Coordinator)

- D. Approve a street closure request for the Fredericksburg Food & Wine Festival - Austin Street Dinner, taking place on October 23, 2026, at Marktplatz (Jennifer Krupa, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation/Special Events Coordinator)
- E. Approve a street lane closure request for the Fredericksburg Craft Beer Festival scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2026, at Marktplatz (Jennifer Krupa, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation/Special Events Coordinator)
- F. Take action on a name change for the lease agreement with Hill Country United Soccer for use of the property next to Oakcrest Park for soccer fields (Andrea Schmidt, Director of Parks and Recreation)
- G. Consider and approve Animal Control Supervisor Whitney Long as the Local Rabies Control Authority for the City of Fredericksburg (Braxton Roemer, Special Services Lieutenant of Police Department).
- H. Approval of the Assessment & Collection Agreement with the Gillespie Central Appraisal District for the collection of property taxes. (Krista Wareham, Finance Director)
- I. Approval of Contract Modification for GSI Geo-Synthetics Systems LLC for Landfill Cell #12 and #13 Geo-Synthetic liner construction. (Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works/Utilities)

Councilmember Watson moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 6A and 6C through 6I as presented. Item 6B was pulled from the agenda. Councilmember Eidson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Consider and approve Ordinance 2026-21 approving budget amendments to the Fiscal Year 2026 City Budget beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, providing for amended appropriations for each affected departmental account (Krista Wareham, Finance Director)
 - i. Presentation by staff
 - ii. Take action on Ordinance 2026-21, approving and adopting the proposed mid-year budget amendments to the City Budget for Fiscal Year 2026

Krista Wareham presented the budget amendments noting the departmental items within Exhibit A. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner asked how the amount trends in comparison to last year. Krista responded that the amount is a bit higher but noted savings from items not purchased in the previous year, such as the arrival of the bucket truck.

Councilmember Watson moved to approve Ordinance 2026-21. Councilmember Klein seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. OTHER ACTION ITEMS AND UPDATES

- A. Approve street closures and parking lot usage for Oktoberfest 2026, taking place the first full weekend of October 2026 at Marktplatz (Jennifer Krupa, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation/Special Events Coordinator) **PULLED**

Mayor Hoover stated that said Item was pulled from the agenda by staff.

- B. Consideration and Action Regarding Request P-2425, A Development Plat for 405 Goehmann Lane, by Lantana Owner, LLC, including discussion and possible action on the Frederick Road Alignment Evaluation Study and Development Agreement. (Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works/Utilities / Cliff Cross, Director of Development Services-Tabled on 04/07/2026)

- i. Update by City staff (Update from 04/07/2026 Meeting)
- ii. Update by Developer
- iii. Potential Actions
 - a) Take Action on Development Plat including "Arterial" roadway associated with Thoroughfare Plan
 - b) Take Potential Action on Annexation and Development Agreement

Cliff Cross shared that the item was tabled and today, two actions would be required: 1) Condition to accept arterial roadway or thoroughfare alternative associated with the thoroughfare plan that was adopted as part of the Comprehensive Plan, and 2) Accept the Development Agreement. He added that the Developer was present to answer any questions.

Robert Radovan, Developer, requested that their item be tabled to the next meeting. He stated they needed additional time to review the Development Agreement which was received last Thursday.

Mayor Hoover asked if they were aware of the thoroughfare plan when they purchased the property. Mr. Radovan responded yes.

County Commissioner Charles Olfers requested that the Council continue with the route as recommended per the Kimley Horn Study.

Michael Braden, adjacent property owner, stated he agrees with the route recommended by Kimley Horn and noted he would not place any permanent structure in that area.

Michelle Hodges voiced her concern with the study and asked that the Alternative 3 Route be removed as it would affect many property owners. She stated that she owns a historic home per the Historic Guidelines along the route.

Tom Musselman stated that the proposed extension of Friendship Lane has been discussed for many years. He said that the best route is the one being recommended.

Councilmember Eidson moved to deny Request P2425 - Development Plat for 405 Goehmann Lane by Lantana Owner, LLC due to having no acceptable alternate route. Councilmember Klein seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. Consideration of the Acceptance of the City's Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit. (Krista Wareham, Finance Director)
 - i. Presentation by Kevin Randolph, CPA with Eide Bailly
 - ii. Take action to accept the FY2025 Audit and Financial Statement prepared by Eide Bailly

Kevin Randolph, Senior Manager with Eide Bailly presented the audit. He stated that they issued an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. He commended Krista Wareham and her staff for great preparation and execution of the audit.

Councilmember Eidson moved to accept the City's Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit. Mayor Pro-Tem Kirchner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update. (Jim Mikula, Chamber President/CEO) PULLED

Mayor Hoover stated that said Item was pulled from the agenda by staff.

- B. Presentation by the Native Plant Society for Main Street. (Alan Kirchoff & Jonathan Watt) PULLED

Mayor Hoover stated that said Item was pulled from the agenda by staff.

- C. Update on the New Curbside Bulk & Large Item Pickup Program. (Kris Kneese, Director of Public Works/Utilities)

Kris Kneese shared information on the new curbside bulk and large item pickup. He added that acceptable items include furniture, mattresses, carpeting, and other large junk. Items not accepted include hazardous waste, construction debris, tires, glass, and electronics. He added the pickup schedule begins on Monday, May 11th at 7:00 am and will follow residents' regular trash pickup day. Councilmember Klein asked about the voucher program and Kris indicated that the voucher provided to each utility customer is still available.

Councilmember Eidson asked about offering a hazardous waste pick up day in the future. Kris said that staff would look into it.

10. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- A. City Manager Bailey reviewed the Future Agenda Items List with the City Council pointing out the items that will be placed on the May 19th Regular Meeting Agenda. He also reminded everyone of the City Hall Open House and Ribbon Cutting on May 19th from 3pm-6pm.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will recess its open meeting and convene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections below.

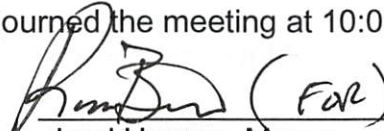
- A. Legal Matters Update - Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Maria Garcia - TOASE) Item pulled from agenda.

Mayor Hoover noted that the Executive Session would not be addressed.

He expressed his admiration for Emily Kirchner and congratulated her for a job well-done as Mayor Pro-Tem. He also stated he is so impressed and pleased with the current City staff, noting it has been terrific to work with everybody. He added it has been a good ride, and he thanked everyone for their words of encouragement.

12. ADJOURN

There being no further discussion, Mayor Hoover adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am.

 (For)

Jeryl Hoover, Mayor

Attest:



Leticia Vacek, TRMC, CMC, MMC
City Secretary/RMO