**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**
**November 20, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.**

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS**
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL**

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas met in Regular Session on November 20, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers, 555 Walnut St. Mayor Weldon Hurt was present and presiding, along with Mayor Pro-tem Brian Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Blaise Regan, and Councilmembers Shane Price, Lynn Beard, Miguel Espinoza and Travis Craver. Also present were City Manager Emily Crawford, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and Deputy City Secretary Kaitlin Richardson.

Councilmember Travis Craver led the invocation.

Derek Cano from Martinez Elementary led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the State of Texas Flag.

**PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Dyess Airmen Exceptional Performance Recognition:
  - Mayor Hurt presented the following airmen with awards:
    - Technical Sergent Blake LiVigni
    - Staff Sergent Preston Cannedy

  - City Manager Emily Crawford introduced the new Deputy City Manager, Noel Bernal

**PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 4-22. Item #22 was pulled for individual consideration.

Item(s) pulled for individual consideration:
- Item #22 – Mayor Hurt

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Hurt opened the public comment period. The following addressed the City Council:

- Jimmy Rogers
- Mary Pena
- Tammy Fogle
- Bill O'Neil
- Sue Ellen Moore
- Kyle McAlister
- Katie Presswood
- Kathy Blunkley
- Marla Myers

With no other speakers coming forward, the public comment period was closed.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Price moved to approve the consent agenda, now consisting of items 4-21. Councilmember

Espinoza seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

Councilmember Beard had a conflict of interest on item 6 and abstained from voting on that item. A Conflict of Interest Affidavit was filled out before the meeting and filed with the City Secretary's office. The vote for item 6 alone was:

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None
ABSTAIN (1): Councilmember Beard

4. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on November 6, 2025 and the Special Meeting Held on November 10, 2025

5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Authorizing Staff to Enter Into an AFA Agreement with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for the S. 7th & Barrow Signal Improvement Project
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 232-2025]**

6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Approve the Air Carrier Incentive Policy Revision
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 233-2025]**

7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Accept the FY26 Airport Infrastructure Grant from the Federal Aviation Administration
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 234-2025]**

8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold A discussion, and Take Action to Approve a Contract with Linbeck for Construction Manager At Risk Services for the Airport Terminal Expansion and Improvements Project
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 235-2025]**

9. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion, and Take Action to Approve a Contract with HR Green, Inc. to Conduct a Military Installation Resilience Study for Dyess Air Force Base
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 236-2025]**

10. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action To Authorize an Agreement With MES for the Purchase of Wildland Firefighting Protective Gear for the Abilene Fire Department
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 237-2025]**

11. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on the Approval of the Acquisition of Professional Services from Computer Task Group (CTG), Inc. to Provide for Requirements Definition and Selection Support of a Computer Aided Dispatch System Solution
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 238-2025]**

12. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on entering into Economic

Development Agreements with Bin Bros LLC for the Rebuild Abi Program
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 239-2025]**

13. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on entering into an Economic Development Agreement with Troy Johnston Construction LLC for the Rebuild Abi Program
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 240-2025]**

14. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on entering into an Economic Development Agreement with Chowning Realty LLC for the Rebuild Abi Program
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 241-2025]**

15. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on entering into an Economic Development Agreement with Continued Growth LLC for the Rebuild Abi program
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 242-2025]**

16. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2025-16: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Apply a Conditional Use Permit to a Property to Allow a Tattoo Parlor. Located at 202 Pine Street.

17. Ordinance (First Reading) HOZ-2025-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner's Agent to Apply Historic Overlay Zoning to Approximately 0.42 Acres Zoned Heavy Commercial (HC). Located at 774 Butternut Street.

18. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2025-26: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 29.26 Acres from Agricultural Open (AO) to General Commercial (GC). Located at 4994x West Lake Road.

19. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2025-39: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 9.44 Acres from General Retail (GR) to General Commercial (GC) Zoning. Located at 1204 Grape Street.

20. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2025-40: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Change the Zoning of Approximately 2.59 Acres from Agricultural Open (AO) & Residential-Single Family (RS-12) to Medium Density (MD) Zoning. Located at 5400 Ridgeline Drive.

21. Ordinance (First Reading): Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on the Creation of the City of Abilene Reinvestment Zone No. RZ25-1 Being Approximately 614.91 Acres

## ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSIDERATION

22. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Appointing Katie Gore as the Municipal Court Judge
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 243-2025]**

Having pulled the item, Mayor Hurt wanted Stanley Smith, City Attorney, to present the item.

Stanley Smith introduced Katie Gore as the selected candidate for the Municipal Court Judge.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Beard moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Price seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

Kaitlin Richardson, Deputy City Secretary, swore in Katie Gore as the Municipal Court Judge.

## REGULAR AGENDA

23. Ordinance (Final Reading) OAM-2025-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a Request from the City of Abilene to Amend the Land Development Code Chapter 4, Article 2, Division 11 – Vacation Travel Trailer/Recreational Vehicle Parks
**[NOT CONSIDERED]**

This item was pulled from consideration prior to the meeting.

24. Ordinance (Final Reading) Z-2025-41: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a request from the owner to amend the terms of PDD-177. Specifically, to allow alternative side setbacks adjacent to streets, allow for duplexes within tracts A and B, and to allow residential single-family within tract D. Located at the 3700-4000 blocks of Caldwell Road and the 4200 block of West Lake Road.
**[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 90-2025]**

Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning & Development Services, presented the item. Adoption of the item would amend the terms of PDD-177 at the above referenced location, to allow for duplexes within tracts A and B, and to allow Residential Single-Family (RS-6) within tract D.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro-tem Yates moved to approve the item as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:16 a.m., pursuant to the following of the Open Meetings Act, with the following issues discussed during this session, as listed on the agenda and authorized by the noted Texas Government Code Section:

25.A.551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
- 7. The Woodlands Pride, Inc
- 9. Ginger Robertson
- 19. Ishmael Jaimes

25.B.551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property)
- 1. Maxwell Golf Course

25.F.551.087 (Business Prospect/Economic Development)
- 1Project Rainey Creek
- 2. Project Surf
- 3. Lancium Project

The Executive Session ended at 10:23 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

**REGULAR AGENDA – END**

26. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving the Development Corporation of Abilene, Inc.'s ("DCOA") Incentive for Project Surf, Amending the DCOA's Budget to Include Expenditures for the Incentive; and Approving an Infrastructure Incentive Reimbursement Agreement with the DCOA for Project Surf
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 244-2025]**

Emily Crawford, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a the DCOA's incentive for Project Surf and amend their annual budget to include expenditures for the incentive and approve an infrastructure incentive reimbursement agreement for Project Surf.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Craver moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Beard seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

27. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving a TIRZ #2 Incentive for Project Surf
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 245-2025]**

Emily Crawford, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a TIRZ #2 incentive for Project Surf.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. The following spoke against the item:

- Tammy Fogle

With no other speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro-tem Yates moved to approve the item as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

28. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Approving a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement for Project Surf
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 246-2025]**

Emily Crawford, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement for Project Surf.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. With no speakers coming forward, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Beard moved to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Espinoza seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, Espinoza and Craver
NAYS (0): None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Shawna Atkinson
City Secretary

Weldon Hurt
Mayor

Minutes approved on: December 4, 2025