

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**April 23, 2026 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 April 23, 2026, 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, and Miguel Espinoza. Councilmember Travis Craver was absent. Also present were City Manager Emily Crawford, City Attorney Stanley Smith, and City Secretary Shawna Atkinson.

Councilmember Lynn Beard led the invocation.

Kalli Wideman, Zavier Tunnell, Joele Peppin, and Paxton Newby, all from Dyess 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**

- Proclamations:
  - Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week – accepted by the Alliance for Women and Children and the Boys & Girls Club.
- Presentation:
  - Jay Miller with Mosaic Church presented a donation check for the Police Victims Assistance Fund.

**PRESENTATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda consisted of items 4-24. Items 8 and 10 were pulled for individual consideration.

Item(s) pulled for individual consideration:

- Item 8 – Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan
- Item 10 – Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

- Jack Hadlock
- Jason Lain
- Randy White
- Kaymon Regala
- Rachel King
- Tammy Fogle
- Thomas Dyer
- Christi Jones
- Jarrod Crockett

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

## CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Beard moved to approve the consent agenda, now consisting of items 4-7, 9, and 11-24. Mayor Pro-tem Yates seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

4. Minutes: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving the Minutes from the Regular Meeting Held on April 9, 2026
5. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contract for the Purchase and Installation of a Pier at Kirby Lake from EZDock of Texas, LP through Buyboard Purchasing Cooperative Contract #781-25  
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 80-2026]**
6. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on Approving a Resolution of Commitment Authorizing the City of Abilene and the Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau to Submit a Bid Proposal to Host a Texas Recreation and Park Society Annual Institute and EXPO  
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 81-2026]**
7. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action to Purchase One 2026 Kenworth T880 Roll Off Truck from MHC Kenworth Abilene, Tye, Texas for Solid Waste  
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 82-2026]**
9. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2026-06: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Apply a Conditional Use Permit to Approximately 1.11 Acres Zoned General Retail (GR) to Allow a Freight Container. Located at 3440 N 1st Street.
11. Ordinance (First Reading) TC-2026-01: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Abandon 15' of Public Right-Of-Way Along Lincoln Dr. Located at 525 EN 19th Street Abilene, Taylor County, Texas
12. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-10: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 11.10 Acres from Residential Single-family (RS-6) to Patio Home (PH) Zoning. Located at 2637 Old Ironsides Road.
13. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-11: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner, to Change the Zoning of Approximately 0.96 Acres from Central Business (CB) to a Planned Development District (PDD-196). Located at 1333 N 6th Street.
14. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-12: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on A Request from the Owner, to Change the Zoning of Approximately 34.8 Acres from General Retail (GR) to Multi-Family (MF). Located at 6157 HWY 277 S.
15. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-13: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Amend the Terms and Conditions of a Planned Development District (PDD-104). Specifically, to Allow General Commercial Within Specific Portions of the PDD. Located on the West Side of Oldham Lane between S. 27th St. and Loop 322.

16. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-14: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 1.42 Acres from Multifamily (MF) to a Planned Development District (PDD-197). The use of the proposed PDD is for Patio Home Development. Located at 1321 Cedar St.
17. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-15: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Amend the Terms and Conditions of a Planned Development (PDD-39). Specifically, to add welding, small parts fabrication, and firearm modification as permitted uses. Located at 5550 HWY 277 S.
18. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-16: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 10.4 Acres from Residential Single-Family (RS-8) to Residential Single-Family (RS-6). Located at 6498 Pebble Beach.
19. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-17: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 0.26 Acres from Residential Single Family (RS-8) to Neighborhood Office (NO). Located at 2380 S 32nd Street.
20. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-18: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 38.97 Acres from General Commercial (GC) and Heavy Commercial (HC) to a Planned Development District (PDD-198). Located Along the 1100 - 1400 Block of Ben Richey Dr. and the 1100 - 1400 Block of Petroleum Dr.
21. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-19: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 28.87 Acres from Agricultural Open (AO) to Residential Single-Family (RS-6) Zoning. Located at 6610 Butterfield Trail.
22. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-20: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 2.20 Acres from Agricultural Open (AO) and General Commercial (GC) to General Commercial (GC) Zoning. Located on the North 300 Block of ES 11th St.
23. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-21: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 0.50 Acres from Residential Single Family (RS-8) to Town Home (TH). Located at 3035 Buffalo Gap Road.
24. Ordinance (First Reading) Z-2026-22: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on a Request from the Owner to Change the Zoning of Approximately 3.58 Acres from a Planned Development (PD-55) to General Commercial (GC). Located at 6156 and 6164 Hartford St.

#### ITEMS PULLED FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Take Action on the Approval to Acquire Amended Professional Services with Computer Task Group (CTG), Inc. as a provider of Project Services  
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 83-2026]**

Having pulled the item, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan asked for an overview of this contract, as he has concerns on outsourcing versus hiring outright. Troy Swanson, Director of IT, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a consolidated contract with Computer Task Group (CTG), Inc., for IT project services.

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

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

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

10. Ordinance (First Reading) CUP-2026-07: 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 Utility Generation within Agricultural Open (AO) Zoning

Having pulled the item, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan asked for an explanation on why the City is doing this, and what implications it has versus keeping the land leased for agriculture purposes as it is currently. Tim Littlejohn, Director of Planning & Development Services presented the item.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. The following spoke in opposition to 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. Councilmember Espinoza seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

### REGULAR AGENDA

25. Ordinance (Final Reading): Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Amending the FY26 Fee Schedule for Non-resident Recreation Center Membership [ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 28-2026]

Lesli Andrews, Director of Parks & Recreation, presented the item. Adoption of the item would approve a non-resident fee for recreation center membership, as well as a guest day pass fee.

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

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

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

26. Ordinance (Final Reading): Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Amending Chapter 32, "Utilities," Section 32-5, "Inspection Outside City," Section 32-35, "Metering of Water Used for City Rates," Section 32-37, "Fees, Deposits and Bills," and Section 32-39,

"Determination of Charges," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Abilene, Texas, to Authorize Sewer Service Outside the City Limits by Written Agreement  
**[ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 29-2026]**

Matthew Dane, Director of Water Utilities, presented the item. Adoption of the item would authorize certain sewer services outside the City limits by written agreement.

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. Mayor Pro-tem Yates seconded the motion; motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hurt, Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Hurt recessed into Executive Session at 9:27 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:

27.A.551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)

1. Chapter 143 and Chapter 174, Local Government Code

27. D.551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property)

1. 202 Cedar Street

The Executive Session ended at 10:28 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session. Mayor Hurt reported no votes or action were taken in Executive Session.

### **REGULAR AGENDA – END**

28. Resolution: Receive a Report, Hold a Discussion and Public Hearing, and Take Action on Meet and Confer Negotiations with the Abilene Professional Fire Fighters Association, IAFF Local 1044  
**[ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 84-2026]**

Emily Crawford, City Manager, presented the item. Adoption of the item would direct the City Manager to make an official, written request to the Abilene Professional Firefighters Association to enter back into Meet and Confer negotiations and committing the City to pay the cost of a neutral mediator, should the Association agree.

Mayor Hurt opened the public hearing. The following spoke in opposition to the item:

- Jarrod Crockett
- Tammy Fogle

With no other 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 (5): Mayor Pro-tem Yates, Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Regan, and Councilmembers Price, Beard, and Espinoza  
NAYS (1): Mayor Hurt  
ABSENT (1): Councilmember Craver

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

  
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Kaitlin Richardson  
Deputy City Secretary

  
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Weldon Hurt  
Mayor

Minutes approved on: May 14, 2026