

CITY OF EMORY
Minutes of the
Public Hearing and Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday the 10th Day of September 2024

The City Council of Emory met on the 10th day of September 2024 at 7:00 pm for a Public Hearing and Regular City Council Meeting with the following members present: Mayor Earl Hill III, Mayor ProTem Blake Cooper, Lori Honeycutt, Jacob Roan, Jannie Stephens and Travis Potts, Others present: Tony Ingram, Allen and Rachelle Jones, Katelyn Green, Edward Ronke Okpa Frank Hemani, Finance / HR Clerk Eileen Mickey, Interim City Administrator Samantha Gibby, Emory Police Department Cameron Demps, Director of EDC Leah Drown, City Secretary Donna Raper.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Earl Hill III at 6:45 pm

Public Hearing

1. Public Hearing was held on FY 2025 Budget.
2. Public Hearing was held on 2024 Tax Rate.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order by Mayor Earl Hill III at 7:00 pm.

Invocation and Pledges given by Jannie Stephens and Mayor Earl Hill III.

Public Comments - No Public Comments

Consent Agenda

- A, B. and C. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jannie Stephens to Approve minutes from the August 13, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting and August 22, 2024, Special City Council Meeting, payment of the regular bills monthly, and the contract with ETCOG for the Inter-Local Contract for Data Maintenance (to provide 9-1-1 addresses).

Items for Consideration and/ or Action

- A. Departmental Updates: Samantha Gibby gave an update on FM 3299 loop is about to be completed, Samantha also gave an update on the lead and cooper deadline. Samantha Gibby also stated that she has been talking to Hayter Engineer about on the variance she thinks they have everything they need to present to TCEQ, Samantha gave an update on the old building at Potts Feed Store. Leah Drown spoke the Council about the updates she presented to the EDC Board on September 4, 2024. Mayor Earl Hill III gave the Council an update on the parade route for the Rains County Fair for this year and he also spoke about the hole on the corner of Quitman (FM 2795) and Alexander

Dr., Mayor also informed the Council that Spooktacular at Sandy Creek Park is approaching soon.

- B. No action taken on the request from Dan Curtis with the American Legion on a possible variance on the rental of the Emory Emergency Center.
- C. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jannie Stephens on the variance on lot sizes (width & depth) and yard setback for The Enclave of Emory. (Edward Okpa) Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve a plat for Frank Hemani for the property located at 1080 FM Hwy No. 515. (Final Plat of Lot 1 Block 1 of the Star Mart Addition No. 1) Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Jacob Roan to approve a tax abatement for Frank Hemani for the project located at 4080 FM Hwy 515. Motion carried.
- F. Motion made by Travis Potts seconded by Blake Cooper to contract for assessment and collection service for 2024 tax year with the Rains County Appraisal District. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jacob Roan adopting the approved FY 2025 budget. Motion carried unanimously.
- H. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Jannie Stephens passing Ordinance No. 5-2024 tax rate. Motion carried unanimously.
- I. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jacob Roan to allow discount for the early payment on property tax. Motion carried unanimously.
- J. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Jacob Roan approving of LOGIC Investment Pool as an authorized investment (Resolution No. R9-2024). Motion carried unanimously.
- K. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve the application for participation in the Local Government Investment Cooperative (Logic). Motion carried unanimously.
- l.-O. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jannie Stephens approving Resolution No. R8-2024 adding Eileen Mickey Accounting / HR clerk to the Tex-Pool Savings account, to the back accounts at Commercial Bank of Texas, Edward Jones accounts and TexStar Savings Account. Motion carried unanimously.
- P. No Action taken on the Notice of Texas New Mexico Power Company's Application of a System Resiliency Plan.
- Q. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Travis Potts vote for Chad Huckaby for for the Texas Municipal League (TML) Region 15 Director. Motion carried

unanimously.

R. No Action taken on approving a nonstandard water and sewer service agreement.

S. No Action taken on approving and ordinance for designated bulk water filling location.

T. Special City Council Meeting / Workshop scheduled for September 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm, for updating the administrative policy and ordinance.

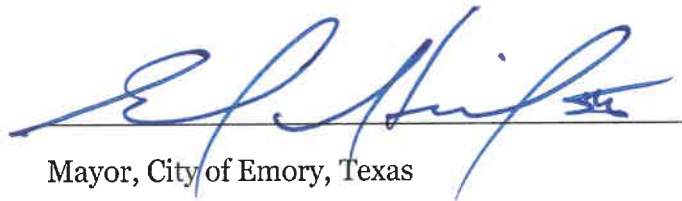
EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. City Council went into executive session under 551.074 Personnel Matters.


at 8:49 pm. Motion made by Blake Cooper seconded by Jacob Roan to go back into regular session at 9:54 pm.

Motion made by Lori Honeycutt seconded by Jannie Stephens to adjourn. Motion carried. unanimously.


Adjourned 9:55 pm.



Mayor, City of Emory, Texas



ATTEST.



City Secretary