

City of Wortham, meeting held at 107 S. 2nd, Wortham, Texas
Minutes of Regular Council Meeting on Monday, November 10, 2025 (meeting held one day early due to Veterans' Day on Tuesday)

Council Present: Mayor Patty Jones, Mayor Pro-Tem Michael Busby, Jeff Carr, Deborah Evans, and Cliff NeSmith

Council Absent: Patrick Evans

Staff Present: Tonya Rissmiller, Waylon Gierisch, and Kelly Craig

Others Present:

At 6:30 p.m., Mayor Jones called the meeting to order, announced a quorum was present, and gave an invocation.

Informal Citizen Comments: None.

Regular Session

1. **Consent Agenda** - Councilmember NeSmith made the motion to approve the following consent agenda:
 - A. Approve minutes of October 14, 2025.
Seconded by Councilmember D. Evans. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion carried.
2. Councilmember NeSmith made the motion to approve the installation of stop signs at north-south sides of the corner of old S. 3rd Street and Brazos Avenue. Seconded by Councilmember Carr. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion carried.
3. Councilmember Carr made the motion to approve Resolution No. 846-1125 authorizing a grant application to assist the Wortham Police Department with the purchase of bullet-resistant windows and other components for the patrol cars. Seconded by Councilmember NeSmith. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion carried.
4. Councilmember Carr made the motion to table any action on the municipal waste services agreement with Republic Services since Republic had not yet provided an updated agreement. Seconded by Councilmember NeSmith. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion to table was carried.
5. Councilmember NeSmith made the motion to table any action on an upgrade to NextLink service and equipment for the Wortham Fire Department and the Wortham Police Department. Seconded by Councilmember Carr. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion to table was carried.
6. Councilmember NeSmith made the motion to approve the integration of Tyler Tech/InCode's online utility payment and billing. Seconded by Councilmember Carr. The vote was 3 to 1, with Councilmember D. Evans opposing. Motion carried.
7. Councilmember Carr made the motion to approve the purchase of commercial inspection services for Schmidt + Clemens' property at 1004 N. MLK Ave., subject to receipt of written assurance by Schmidt + Clemens' payment of the inspection cost. Seconded by Councilmember NeSmith. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion carried.
8. Councilmember NeSmith made the motion to take no action regarding Resolution No. 847-1125 casting votes for candidates to serve on the Freestone Central Appraisal District's 2026-2027 Board of Directors. Seconded by Councilmember Carr. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion to take no action was carried.

MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS - October 2025

The following were reviewed:

- Finance Department - monthly financial report.
- Public Works - monthly activity.
- Police Department - monthly activity.
- Fire Department - monthly activity.
- WEDC - monthly activity.

Police Chief Kelly Craig reported concerns regarding interdepartmental communication. No action taken; item not posted for discussion.

Adjournment:

At 7:32 P.M. Councilmember Carr made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember NeSmith. The vote was 4 to 0. Motion carried.



Patty Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tonya Rissmiller, City Secretary