

CITY OF SMILEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2026
AGENDA

The Smiley City Council will convene in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday September 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Smiley City Hall located at 207 Steele, Smiley, Texas 78159. This meeting will be open to the public.

The Order of Business will be:

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation and Pledges

Citizens to be Heard - Any person with business before the City Council, not scheduled on the agenda, may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. You will be called upon by the Mayor during the meeting. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks while addressing the Council may be directed to leave the meeting.

- 1. Public Hearing for FY 25/26 Budget**
- 2. Discussion/Action to Approve the Minutes of the August 25 meeting and August 29 Budget Workshop**
- 3. Discussion/Action on the Financial Statements and Unpaid bills**
- 4. City Marshal Monthly Report**
- 5. Receive Municipal Court Report**
- 6. Utility Department Report**
- 7. Discussion/Action to approve FY 25/26 Budget**
- 8. Discussion/Action on approving the Proposed Tax Rate of .2718%**
- 9. Discussion/Action Amend Marshal Ordinance. New Ordinance Number**
- 10. Discussion/Action MOU with Gonzales County Fire Marshal**
- 11. Discussion/Action Lease property at 109 US-87 Smiley, TX 78159 to Juston and Elizabeth Suarez**
- 12. Discussion/Action to approve authorization to issue requests for proposals for administrative service (RFP) for the Grant Community Application and Implementation for Services for the Texas Community Development Grant Program for FY 2027 and/or FY 2028 administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.**
- 13. Discussion Possible Ordinance to close Roberts St during school hours**
- 14. Discussion/Action Ordinance on Comprehensive Dangerous Buildings and Property Maintenance Ordinance**
- 15. Discussion Possible Ordinance for Traffic Control Devices.**
- 16. Discussion Possible Ordinance for No Parking in Right Of Way**
- 17. Adjourn**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Smiley City Council may convene into executive (closed) session in accordance with the Texas Government Code when necessary and legally justified. Any item on this agenda may be discussed in executive session if authorized by Texas Law regardless of whether it is listed under "Executive Session" of this agenda, and regardless of any past or current practice of the City Council. Executive Sessions herein are closed meetings, and may include the consideration of any item otherwise listed on the agenda plus any subject matter specified in the executive session notice, and may include items under the Texas Government Code as follows: Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney regarding contemplated or pending litigation, a settlement officer or administrative hearing); Section 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property); Section 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts & Donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Section 551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices); Section 551.086 (Deliberations regarding Municipally Owned Utility); and Section 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiation). In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Smiley will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve attendees, requests should be received 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact city secretary by phone at 830-587-6220 or fax 830-587-6231.

This Notice of Meeting was posted for public viewing in City Hall in Smiley, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and was posted Wednesday September 9, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. and remained posted for 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting.

ATTEST:
Scott Jewett
Smiley City Secretary

City of Smiley
General Fund Budget
FY 2026-2027

Revenue	Amount
Ad Valorem	\$45,256.00
Franchise Income- Frontier	\$360.00
Franchise CPL/AEP	\$18,000.00
Sales Tax	\$36,100.00
Commercial Rental	\$12,000.00
Commercial Rental	\$12,000.00
Total	\$123,716.00

City Hall EXPENSES

Election Expenses	\$4,000.00	
Computer		
Johnny	\$1,800.00	
Email	\$500.00	
Antivirus		
Microsoft Office	\$100.00	
		\$2,400.00
Office Expense		
Amazon	\$1,000.00	
Copier Contract	\$1,390.00	
Postage	\$616.00	
Copier Rental	\$420.00	
PO Box	\$154.00	
		\$3,580.00

Advertising

Professional Fees:

Legal fees	\$6,000.00	
Annual Audit FY 24/25	\$30,000.00	
Annual Audit FY 25/26	\$30,000.00	
		\$66,000.00

Communication:

Office telephone/fax	\$5,030.00	
Cell phones	\$500.00	
		\$5,530.00

Electric	\$10,000.00	
Tax Assessor	\$1,200.00	
Insurance	\$16,000.00	
SAM Renewal	\$500.00	
CCN Amendment	\$25,000.00	
PUC Fine	\$200,000.00	
Christmas Bonus		\$3,500.00

John	\$500.00
Nolan	\$500.00
Scott	\$500.00
Brandy	\$500.00
Laura	\$500.00
Denise	\$500.00
Judge	\$500.00
Marshal	\$500.00

Total: \$338,210.00

Revenue	\$123,716.00
Expeses	\$338,210.00
Available Funds	-\$214,494.00

**City of Smiley
Utility Fund Budget
FY 2026-2027**

UTILITY REVENUE

	5%
Water	\$134,423.00
Sewer	\$73,552.50
Trash	\$158,550.00
Street Fees	\$15,750.00
Late Fees	
Well Maint Fee	\$15,000.00
Total:	\$397,275.50

UTILITY EXPENSES

Salary		\$138,840.00	\$1.00 Raise for Sec/Utl	\$81,120.00
Secretary @ 18.00 hr 40hr per week	\$37,440.00		\$39,520.00	
Utility Supervisor @ 26.00 hr 40hr per week	\$54,080.00			
Utility #2 @ 19.00 hr 40hr per week	\$39,520.00		\$41,600.00	
Medical for UTL Supervisor	\$7,800.00			
Professional Fees / Licenses				
Electric	\$20,000.00			
Communication		\$14,740.00		
AT&T	\$640.00			
Frontier	\$14,100.00			
Vehicles		\$57,000.00		
Fuel	\$7,000.00			
Repairs / Maintenance	\$50,000.00			
Trash Collection - Republic		\$119,000.00		
Outside Trash	\$3,600.00			
Dumpster	\$41,000.00			
City Contract	\$74,400.00			
Postage	\$2,400.00			
Lab Reports		\$2,000.00		
Monthly Test	\$2,000.00			
Chlorine		\$3,400.00		
Bottle Rental	\$600.00			
Chlorine Gas	\$2,800.00			
Grass Seed (If Needed)		\$2,500.00		
Back Flow Annual Checks	\$300.00			
Meter Annual Calibration	\$1,000.00			
Street Account Owed	\$3,445.00			
Well Maint Fee Account Owed	\$10,254.00			
Sample Lane Repair	\$20,000.00			
Technology (Utility Billing)	\$600.00			
Utility Supplies	\$10,000.00			
Annual Tank Inspection	\$0.00			
Loan	\$9,240.00			

Total: 412,219.00

\$273,379.00
\$81,120.00 (Raise)
\$354,499.00

	Revenue	Expenses		
5%	\$397,275.50	412,219.00	\$14,943.50	\$42,776.50

Smiley Municipal Court

Budget for 2026-2027

Personnel Expenditures

Presiding Judge Salary	\$2,400	
Associate Judge Salary	\$1,200	
Clerk Salary	\$30,000	
Payroll Taxes	\$1,000	Estimated
Subtotal Estimate Personnel	\$34,600	

Training and Education

Judicial Training and Education	\$ 1350	
Clerk Training and Education	\$ 675	
Subtotal Estimate Training and Education	\$2,025	

Operating Expenses

Supplies & Printing	\$300	
Postage	\$200	
Phone	\$500	
Subtotal Estimate Operating Expenses	\$1,000	

Technology & Software

Fundview Court Software/Maintenance fees	\$2,400	
(Annual Licensing & Support)		
IT Support and Web Services	\$500	
Additional IT Software/Programs	\$250	
Antivirus Software	\$150	
Subtotal Estimate Technology & Software	\$3,300	

Legal Fees **\$14,400**

Subtotal Estimate Legal Fees **\$14,400**

Current Sub-Total Budget for Municipal Court: **\$55,299**

Request for Capital Expenditures (could come from Tech Fund)

A new Printer
For Courtroom \$450 Maximum

Movable Cart \$85

New Laptop \$2,500

New Monitor \$250

Estimate Capital Expenditures **\$3,285**

Total Budget for Municipal Court: **58,584**

Other Expense(s) (Money we collect and pay out)

State Comptroller **\$41,000**

Omni **\$350**

MBVA **\$6000**

Subtotal Estimate Other Expense(s) **-\$47,350**

Restricted Funds (Current Balance 5/26/26)

Tech & Security **\$1,264.99**

Court Security **\$6,125.52**

Truancy Fund **\$4,812.37**

(OLD) Tech **\$97.11**

Total Revenue to City of Smiley **\$75,600 (Estimated)**

2026 Governing Body Summary #1A*

Benchmark 2026 Tax Rates

CITY OF SMILEY

Date: 07/31/2026 02:08 PM

DESCRIPTION OF TAX RATE	TAX RATE PER \$100	THIS YEAR'S TAX LEVY**	ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY
Using the 2026 Adjusted Taxable (Line 22,48) \$16,650,640	Multiplied by this Rate	Will Generate this Tax Levy*	*This column is figured with the NNR Levy as the Base
No-New-Revenue Tax Rate	\$0.2718	\$45,256	
De Minimis Rate	\$3.2891	\$547,656	\$502,400
VAR NOT adjusted for Unused Increment Rate	\$0.2963	\$49,335	\$4,079
VAR adjusted for Unused Increment Rate	\$0.3224	\$53,681	\$8,425
Last Year's Tax Rate	\$0.3063	\$51,000	\$5,744

*These figures are provided as estimates of possible outcomes resulting from varying the tax rate. Please be aware that these are only estimates and should not be used alone in making budgetary decisions.

**Tax levies are calculated using line 22 of the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate Worksheet and this year's frozen tax levy on homesteads of the elderly or disabled.

***Tax increase compared to no-new-revenue tax rate.

Terms:

No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (NNR) – (last year's levy minus lost property levy) divided by (current total value minus new property value).

Voter-Approval Tax Rate – equal to the No-New-Revenue maintenance and operations tax rate times 1.035% PLUS current debt PLUS any unused increment rate.

De minimis rate – The rate is equal to the sum of: 1) a taxing unit's NNR maintenance and operations rate 2) the rate that when applied to a taxing unit's current total value, will impose an amount of taxes equal to \$500,000, AND 3) a taxing unit's current debt rate. Voters may petition to hold a tax approval election if the de minimis rate exceeds the voter-approval rate and the adopted rate is equal to or lower than the de minimis rate but higher than the voter-approval rate.

2025 Adjusted Value as of 07/22/2026	\$20,198,650 less tax ceilings \$4,710,190 = \$15,488,460
2026 Certified Value	\$22,016,960
2026 Protested Value	\$ 0
2026 Tax Ceilings	<\$5,366,320>
2026 Adjusted Taxable	\$16,650,640

2026 New Improvement Value	\$84,660
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Your 2025 Adopted Rate was:	0.3063
Your 2026 No New Revenue Rate is:	0.2718
Your 2026 Voter Approval Rate Not adjusted for unused increments is:	0.2963
Your 2026 Voter Approval Rate Adjusted for unused increments is:	0.3224

The above figures were calculated with an anticipated collection rate of 100%.