

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF MOUNT ENTERPRISE, TEXAS

WILL CONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

JULY 29TH, 2025 AT 5:00 P.M.

MOUNT ENTERPRISE CITY HALL,

401 W. GREGG STREET, MOUNT ENTERPRISE, TX 75681

MAYOR JIM REESE WILL PRESIDE



MINUTES

1. Call the Meeting to Order **Mayor Jim Reese called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.**

2. Establish a Quorum

Mayor Jim Reese - **Present**

Mayor Pro Tem & Council Member Place #1 Freddy Swann - **Present**

Council Member Place #2 Judy Cox - **Present**

Council Member Place #3 Jacob Waldron - **Present at 5:07 pm**

Council Member Place #4 Mary Jo Baird - **Present**

Council Member Place #5 Harvey Graves - **Present**

3. Invocation **Led by Jim Reese**

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag & Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag (*Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible*).

5. Public Comments **City Secretary Suzanne M. Pharr, Office Assistant Khristy Webb, City Attorney Suellen Perry, City Marshal Jon Randolph, Ramiro Mendiola, Mark Lee Dickson, Blake Webb, Chance Mays, Amber Williamson, Clint Creel, Deniese Case, Johnwayne Valdez**

6. Consent Agenda

All consent items are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote.

A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, June 24, 2025.

B. Approval of June 2025 Monthly Reports for ICON, Court, Wastewater, Debt Service, Special Revenue Fund, and General Fund.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Baird and seconded by Councilmember Graves, the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

7. Business

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:

A. Volunteer Fire Department Presentation (JR)

Mayor Reese presented a check and certificate to the Volunteer Fire Department. No motion.

B. Homecoming Parade for Mount Enterprise School (JRandolph)

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Baird the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to form a committee to work with the school, fire department, and sheriff's office for a solution. The motion carried.

C. Approve 2025 Certified Values from Rusk County Appraisal District (JR)

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Swann and seconded by Councilmember Cox the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to approve 2025 Certified Values from Rusk County Appraisal District. The motion carried.

D. Order November 4, 2025 Election

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Graves and seconded by Councilmember Waldron the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to order November 4, 2025 Election. The motion carried.

E. ETCOG is asking for nominations for ETCOG Officers and Executive Committee

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Swann the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to keep the ones that are there. The motion carried.

F. Review Rusk County Appraisal District's 2026 Operating Budget.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cox and seconded by Councilmember Graves the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to Review Rusk County Appraisal District's 2026 Operating Budget. The motion carried.

G. Representation at the 2025 TML Conference in Fort Worth held October 29-31. Registration begins July 29 at 10 am.

Discussion on who will attend. No motion.

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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

H. Court Administrator and/or Court Clerk to register for TMCEC Virtual Clinic: Court Efficiency: Records and Procedures on July 30, 2025 (SMP)

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Cox and seconded by Councilmember Waldron the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to approve. The motion carried.

I. Court Administrator and/or Court Clerk to register for TMCEC Webinar: 89th Legislature Bills in Early Effect on July 24, 2025. (SMP)

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Swann the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to approve TMCEC Webinar: 89th Legislature Bills. The motion carried.

J. TMRS – HB 3161 has added 8% Employee Contribution Rate to the existing rates. Consider adopting it after September 1, 2025.

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Baird the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to move item J to September meeting. The motion carried.

K. Go over public information and open records requests. (JR)

L. Go over policies and procedures. (JR)

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Waldron and seconded by Councilmember Baird the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to combine item K and L and establish policies going forward. The motion carried.

8. Executive Session (City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time for any item on this agenda during this meeting as authorized by the Texas Government Code)

Upon a Motion to move item K and L into executive session made by Councilmember Graves and seconded by Councilmember Waldron the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to move into Executive Session at 5:43 pm. The motion carried.

Upon a Motion made by Councilmember Graves and seconded by Councilmember Baird the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to move into Regular Session at 6:34 pm. The motion carried.

9. Announcements or Comments by City Councilmembers or City Staff
Informational only; no action to be taken.

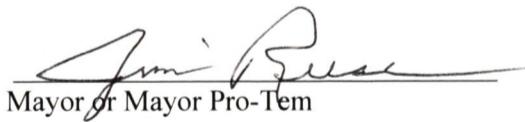
A. Update from City Secretary on culverts in Mount Enterprise

B. Public Service Announcement: Candidate Training.

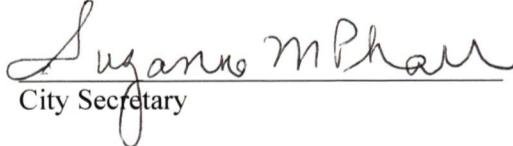
C. Next meeting will be on August 26th

10. Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Councilmember Swann and seconded by Councilmember Cox, the Council voted (5) "ayes" and zero (0) "nays" to adjourn this meeting at 6:45 p.m. The motion carried.


Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest:


Suzanne M. Pharr
City Secretary

Certification

"I, the undersigned authority does hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting was removed from City Hall bulletin board, 103 W. Gregg Street, City of Mount Enterprise, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, on the 29th day of July, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., after having been posted for at least 72 continuous hours preceding the scheduled time of the posted meeting.