

**DRAFT - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS CITY COUNCIL - SPECIAL
REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Linnartz called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL: CITY SECRETARY

Councilmember Carter arrived at 5:03 p.m.

Present 7 - Councilmember D. Lee Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Lawrence Spradley, Councilmember April Ryan, Councilmember Mary Ann Labowski, Councilmember Toni Carter, Mayor Neal Linnartz, and Councilmember Michael Capizzi

INVOCATION: MAYOR PRO TEM SPRADLEY

Mayor Pro Tem Spradley provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Linnartz led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the Texas Flag.

PRESENTATIONS:

A) Presentation on HB 24 which modifies the supermajority requirement for certain protested rezoning requests.

Mayor Linnartz read the aforementioned item.

Christopher Looney presented this item to council using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

No action was taken at this time.

B) Presentation on the forthcoming update to the community's comprehensive plan: Envision New Braunfels.

Mayor Linnartz read the aforementioned item.

Christopher Looney presented this item to council using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

No action was taken at this time.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A) Approval of the second reading of an ordinance establishing the number of positions in each classification in the New Braunfels Police Department pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 143.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mayor Linnartz read the aforementioned consent agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Spradley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Ryan seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

2. WORKSHOP

- A) Presentation and discussion regarding the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budget and Plan of Municipal Services and the 2025 No New Revenue and Voter Approval tax rates.

Mayor Linnartz read the aforementioned item.

Robert Camareno presented this item along with Jared Werner and Jordan Matney, using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

Chief Lozano answered questions regarding the SCBA replacements for the Fire Department.

Greg Malatek answered questions regarding the school zone connectivity alert system for the Public Works Department.

Chief Flores answered questions regarding SRO positions and their vacancies.

No action was taken at this time.

- B) Discuss and consider approval of the Proposed 2025 Tax Rate.

Mayor Linnartz read the aforementioned item.

Mayor Pro Tem Spradley motioned for the property tax rate be set at \$0.408936 per \$100 of assessed valuation, with \$0.193888 allocated to debt service, and \$0.215048 designated for operations and maintenance. Councilmember Ryan seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mayor Linnartz announced that the FY 2026 Proposed Budget, along with the 2025 Tax rate, will be adopted on Monday, September 8th, 2025, at a meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. at 550 Landa Street, in the City Council Chambers.

3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Ch. 551.071, the City Council may convene in a closed session to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda. Any final action or vote on any executive session item will be taken in open session.

4. **IF NECESSARY, RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY ACTION RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.**

There were no executive session items.

No action was taken at this time.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Linnartz adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

By: _____
NEAL LINNARTZ, MAYOR

Attest:

GAYLE WILKINSON, CITY SECRETARY