



**CITY OF NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS  
ETHICS COMMISSION  
January 22, 2026 Meeting Minutes**

The Ethics Commission of the City of New Braunfels, Texas convened on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 5:15 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Commissioner, Harry Bowers at 5:15 p.m.
  
- 2. Roll Call – Commissioners present were:**

Joseph Ricouard, District 1  
Kyle Swaner, District 2  
Harry Bowers, District 3  
Mollie Dreibrodt, District 4  
Sherry Lerch, District 5  
Morgan Miller, District 6  
Paul Finley, At Large

**City Staff present were:**

Valeria Acevedo, City Attorney  
Savannah Koehler, Paralegal

- 3. Approval of June 26, 2025 Minutes.**

Harry Bowers opened discussion and review of the minutes. A motion to approve the June 26, 2025 minutes was made by Morgan Miller and was seconded by Kyle Swaner. The minutes of the June 26, 2025 meeting were approved by unanimous vote.

- 4. Review current Ethics Ordinance.**

Valeria Acevedo discussed the role of the Ethics Commissioners. Discussions were made to possibly amend the Complaint Form. It was discussed to clarify the instructions on the website instead of amending the Complaint Form. A motion to clarify the instructions on the website was made by Sherry Lerch and was seconded by Mollie Dreibrodt. The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Valeria Acevedo discussed the language in the Ordinance pertaining to the “automatic removal for non-attendance of two administrative enforcement hearings.” It was decided by the Board to leave the language “as is” and not make any changes.

Valeria Acevedo discussed the fact that the “By-Laws” on the City website, which have never been adopted, will need to be removed from the website.

**5. Adjournment.**

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Paul Finley and was seconded by Morgan Miller. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.