

**DRAFT - MINUTES
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING OF MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Campos called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL: CITY SECRETARY

Present: 5 - Mayor Pro Tem Andres Campos, Councilmember D. Lee Edwards, Councilmember Lawrence Spradley, Councilmember Mary Ann Labowski, and Councilmember April Ryan

Absent: 2 - Mayor Neal Linnartz, and Councilmember Christopher Willis

REQUEST ALL PHONES AND OTHER DEVICES BE TURNED OFF, EXCEPT EMERGENCY ON-CALL PERSONNEL.

INVOCATION: COUNCILMEMBER EDWARDS

Councilmember Edwards provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & SALUTE TO THE TEXAS FLAG

Mayor Pro Tem Campos led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the Texas Flag.

PROCLAMATIONS:

A) Small Business Week Person of the Year

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned proclamation.

Beverly Davldek of Davldek Law Firm accepted the proclamation and addressed council.

B) KGNB Radio Day

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned proclamation

A representative from KGNB accepted the proclamation.

C) Historic Preservation Month

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned proclamation.

Katie Totman accepted the proclamation and addressed council.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

This time is for citizens to address the City Council on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no City Council action at this time. In the interest of protecting the City's network and data, the City is not accepting flash drives or electronic files for use during Citizens Communications. Please use hard copies, the overhead projector or access the City's online digital form to upload electronic files you would like the Mayor and Council to view. The digital form would need to be uploaded two (2) hours prior to the City Council meeting. A link to this form can be accessed on the City Secretary's website. Individuals desiring to speak at citizen's communications should line up behind the podium and be ready to speak.

No individuals spoke at this time.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed below are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the City Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered as part of the normal order of business. Citizens must be present to pull an item.

Action Items

- A) Approval of the minutes for the regular and executive session council meetings on April 14, 2025.
- B) Approval of a recommendation by the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #3 Board awarding Business Improvement and Preservation Grants to the New Braunfels Art League in an amount up to \$13,065.50 and to the New Braunfels Elks Lodge #2279 in an amount up to \$7,943.75.
- C) Approval of a contract for the concession operation of the Landa Park Mini-Train with Landa Park Railroad, LLC, David Junker.
- D) Approval of a contract with CINTAS Corporation for city-wide uniform rental/purchase and industrial cleaning services.
- E) Approval of an Advanced Funding Agreement between the City of New Braunfels and the Texas Department of Transportation regarding the Solms Road and IH 35 improvement project and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Resolutions

- F) Approval of a resolution in support of obtaining National Register of Historic Places designation for the Central New Braunfels Downtown,

roughly bounded by South Gilbert Avenue to the northeast, Butcher Street to the southeast, the southwest property lines along North Academy Avenue to the southwest, the former International and Great Northern Railroad tracks to the west, and West Zink Street to the northwest.

- G) Approval of a resolution; ratification for the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Urban Area Security Initiative - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Activities grant for Program Year 2025 to request funding towards the purchase of a tactical robot, and authorization for the City Manager to act on behalf of the City in all matters related to the grant if awarded.
- H) Approval of a resolution supporting the submission of City of New Braunfels and Texas Department of Transportation projects to the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization for federal funding in Fiscal Years 2027-2030.

Ordinances

(In accordance with Section 3.10 of the City Charter, a descriptive caption of each ordinance shall be read on two separate days.)

- I) Approval of the first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances relating to dangerous dogs and rabies control; and establishing the classification of aggressive dogs and related procedures.
- J) Approval of the first reading of an ordinance changing a street name in Dean, Unit 3, from Blue Duck to Redstart.
- K) Approval of the second and final reading of an ordinance adopting the Youth Program Standards of Care for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mayor Pro Tem Campos asked for a motion and second for the consent agenda.

Councilmember Spradley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Labowski seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Absent:

Mayor Linnartz, and Councilmember Willis

2. INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Individuals desiring to speak to any individual item should line up behind the podium and be ready to speak when public comment is recognized.

- A) Discuss and consider possible action to approve a contract with Designing Local, LTD, and approve the ad hoc steering committee structure, for the development of a citywide Arts and Culture Master Plan.

Mayor Pro Tem read the aforementioned item.

Jeff Jewell introduced this item and presented this item using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

Councilmember Spradley motioned to approve this item. Councilmember Labowski seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Absent:

Mayor Linnartz, and Councilmember Willis

- B) Public hearing and first reading to rezone approximately 0.5 acres out of the A M Esnaurizar Survey, Abstract 20, from C-1 AH (Local Business District with Airport Hazard Overlay) to C-1B AH (General Business District with Airport Hazard Overlay), currently addressed at 1655 State Hwy 46 S.

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned item.

Matthew Simmont presented this item using a powerpoint presentation.

Councilmember Edwards motioned to approve this item. Councilmember Ryan seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Absent:

Mayor Linnartz, and Councilmember Willis

3. PRESENTATIONS

- A) Presentation and recognition of the Finance Department for being awarded the Texas Transparency Trailblazer Award by the Texas State Comptroller's Office.

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned item.

Jared Werner presented this item to council and introduced the City of New Braunfels Finance Department who received the Texas Transparency Trailblazer award.

B) Presentation and update on Downtown Parking Initiatives

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned item.

Jeff Jewell presented this item to council using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

C) Fire Department Presentation on Mobile Integrated Health.

Mayor Pro Tem Campos read the aforementioned item.

Chief Ruy Lozano presented this item to council using a powerpoint presentation and answered questions.

Chief Lozano introduced Ashley Cammack who also presented this item to council and answered questions.

4. 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.

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.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Campos adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

By: _____
ANDRÉS CAMPOS, MAYOR PRO TEM

Attest:

GAYLE WILKINSON, CITY SECRETARY