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Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of October 8, 2026.

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City of Killeen
City Council Meeting
Killeen City Hall
October 8, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Joseph Solomon

Attending: Mayor Protem Jessica Gonzales *(arrived at 5:12 pm)*, Councilmembers Charles Kimble (via Zoom), David Bass, Anthony Kendrick, Debbie Nash-King, Melissa Brown, and Beverly Ann Williams.

Also attending were Interim City Manager Kent Cagle, Assistant City Manager Laurie Wilson, City Attorney Holli Clements, Deputy City Secretary Megan Magallon and Sergeant-at-Arms Campbell and Wetli.

Jennifer Beasley of Stay Free Where It Matters gave the invocation. Councilmember Bass led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

The applicant for rezoning item OR-26-018 requested to withdraw their request from tonight's agenda. Mayor Solomon requested to move item DS-26-092 to after citizen comments. Motion was made by Councilmember Nash-King to approve the agenda with changes. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Brown. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

Work Session

Discuss agenda items 20 - 28 for the January 8, 2026 Regular Session.

Council took a recess at 6:50 PM and reconvened at 7:05 PM.

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

Michael Fornino spoke on items RS-26-162 and DS-26-090.

Heather McMillan spoke on RS-26-162.

Jamie Carroll spoke on RS-26-162.

Ken Wilkerson spoke on RS-26-162.

Latasha Shaw spoke on RS-26-162.

Michael Cleveland spoke on RS-26-162.

Delise Coleman spoke on RS-26-162.

Dr. Sue Nessy Croft spoke on RS-26-162.

Anca Neagu spoke on RS-26-161 and RS-26-162.

Leo Gukeisen spoke on RS-26-162.

Regular Session

DS-26-092 Acknowledge Interim City Manager Kent Cagle's retirement and service to the City of Killeen.
Mayor Solomon presented Mr. Cagle with a plaque, acknowledging his retirement and service to the city. Each Councilmember was given three (3) minutes to publicly speak to Mr. Cagle and acknowledge his retirement.

Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Brown to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of RS-26-149. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Nash-King The motion carried passed (6-1) with Councilmember Kimble in opposition.

MN-26-028 Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of July 21, 2026.

MN-26-029 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of July 23, 2026.

MN-26-030 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of July 28, 2026.

MN-26-031 Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of August 4, 2026.

MN-26-032 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of August 18, 2026.

MN-26-033 Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of August 18, 2026.

MN-26-034 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of August 25, 2026.

MN-26-035 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of September 1, 2026

MN-26-036 Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of September 1, 2026

MN-26-037 Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of September 15, 2026.

MN-26-038 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Workshop of September 22, 2026.

MN-26-039 Consider Minutes of Special City Council Meeting of September 23, 2026.

RS-26-149 Consider a memorandum/resolution approving a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with 120Water, a subcontractor of Abernethy Schwartz Partners LLC, dba BlueConduit, for the lead and copper program services, in the total amount of $214,175.36 over a period of two (2) years.

RS-26-150 Consider a memorandum/resolution awarding RFQ-26-31, to AtkinsRéalis for design services at Goodnight Ranch Community Park, in the amount of $371,200.

RS-26-151 Consider a memorandum/resolution awarding RFP 26-29 to PlayCore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime C/O Cunningham Recreation for Conder & Marlboro Park improvements in the amount of $528,664.08.

RS-26-152 Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing the procurement of fleet vehicles and equipment in the amount of $7,107,275.46.

RS-26-153 Consider a memorandum/resolution granting an electric utility easement to Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC, for the Lift Station No. 6 Rehabilitation and Expansion Project.

RS-26-154 Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing Contract Amendment No. #3 with Freese and Nichols, Inc, for the design of a new 12" waterline for the Chaparral Road Widening Project, in the amount of $57,670.00.

RS-26-155 Consider a memorandum/resolution establishing a public hearing date of November 17, 2026, regarding an update and amendment of the City's Water and Wastewater Impact fees and associated Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvement Plan.

Resolutions

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Staff Comments: Kristina Ramirez, Executive Director of Public Works
Ms. Ramirez introduced the item, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Nash-King, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-156 Consider a memorandum/resolution ratifying the City Manager's approval of the emergency procurement for the I-14 emergency water repair and contract with TTG Utilities, Inc. in the amount of $515,860.00.
Staff Comments: Kristina Ramirez, Executive Director of Public Works
Ms. Ramirez introduced the item during the work session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-157 Consider a memorandum/resolution approving the readoption of the Economic Development Policy.
Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
Ms. Meshier introduced the item during the Work Session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King to table this item until the Regular City Council Meeting on November 3, 2026. Councilmember Kimble seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-158 Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing the approval of the Master Marketing Agreement with SQF, LLC d/b/a Verta Wireless to allow for the construction of monopole cell towers on certain City-owned parcels of land.
Staff Comments: Daniel Marasa, Assistant City Attorney
Mr. Marasa introduced the item during the Work Session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 6-1, with Councilmember Brown in opposition.

RS-26-159 Consider a memorandum/resolution approving an Emergency Medical Services Interlocal Agreement between Bell County and Killeen Fire Department.
Staff Comments: Clay Brooks, Assistant Fire Chief of Operations
Asstant Chief Brooks introduced the item during the Work Session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-160 Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing Change Order No. 1 for the Parks Maintenance, Fleet Maintenance, and Police Evidence Storage Building Projects with CORE Construction in the amount of $1,741,508.00.
Staff Comments: Andrew Zagars, City Engineer
Mr. Zagars introduced the item during the work session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-161 Consider a memorandum/resolution authorizing a ten-year agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. to replace and consolidate existing Axon agreements and add public safety technology and services, in the total amount of $21,153,653.30
Staff Comments: Pedro Lopez, Chief of Police
Chief Lopez introduced the item during the work session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gonzales, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 7-0.

RS-26-162 Consider a memorandum/resolution approving the appointment of Dr. Marie Peoples as Killeen City Manager and approving an employment agreement.
Staff Comments: Kate McDaniel, Executive Director of Human Resources
Ms. McDaniel introduced the item during the work session and gave a brief presentation. Marie Peoples appeared via Zoom to field questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 6-1, with Councilmember Brown in opposition.

RS-26-163 Consider a memorandum/resolution for the potential appointment of an Interim City Manager.
Staff Comments: Holli Clements, City Attorney
Ms. Clements introduced the item during the work session, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Motion by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Councilmember Kendrick, to approve the Resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously by a vote of 6-1.

Council took a recess at 6:47 PM and reconvened at 8:58 PM.

Public Hearings

PH-26-034 Hold a public hearing and consider an ordinance by Samia LeMaster and Harlan Bell on behalf of Codra Commercial, Ltd. and GWM Land, LTD. (Case#Z26-16) to rezone approximately 0.043 of an acre, out of Lot 1, Block 1, of the Michalk-Wright Addition from "B-3A" (Local Business and Retail Alcohol Sales District) to "B-5" (Business District). The subject property is locally addressed as 4008 East Stan Schlueter Loop, Suites 104-105, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.043 OF AN ACRE, OUT OF LOT 1, BLOCK 1, OUT OF MICHALK-WRIGHT ADDITION FROM "B-3A" (LOCAL BUSINESS AND RETAIL ALCOHOL SALES DISTRICT) TO "B-5" (BUSINESS DISTRICT); PROVIDING A

SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
Ms. Meshier introduced the item, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Mayor Solomon opened the public hearing at 9:06 PM.

With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed at 9:06 PM.

Motion by Councilmember Kendrick, seconded by Councilmember Bass, to approve the Ordinance, as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 6-1, with Councilmember Brown in opposition.

PH-26-035 Hold a public hearing and consider an ordinance by The Cave Entertainment Group on behalf of Yong Ballheimer (Case# Z26-17) to rezone approximately 0.030 of an acre out of Lot 2, Block 1, La Mer Addition Phase Two from "B-5" (Business District) to "B-C-1" (General Business and Alcohol Sales District). The subject property is locally addressed as 311 East Stan Schlueter Loop, Suite 208, Killeen, Texas. (Requires ¾ Majority for Approval)

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.030 OF AN ACRE, OUT OF LOT 2, BLOCK 1, LA MER ADDITION PHASE TWO, FROM "B-5" (BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "B-C-1" (GENERAL BUSINESS AND ALCOHOL SALES DISTRICT); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
Ms. Meshier introduced the item, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

The petitioner appeared before Council and provided additional explanation and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Mayor Solomon opened the public hearing at 9:11 PM.

Willem Henke spoke in opposition of the request.

With no other speakers, the public hearing was closed at 9:14 PM.

Motion by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Nash-King to disapprove the Ordinance, as presented. Motion carried by a vote of 5-2, with Councilmembers Kimble and Bass in opposition.

PH-26-036 Hold a public hearing and consider an ordinance submitted by John T. Haun, on behalf of BKR Holdings LLC & MODOC Salons, LLC, (Case#Z26-18) to rezone approximately 0.67 of an acre out of Lot 2B, Block 006, of the W. S. S. Addition

from "B-3" (Local Business District) to "R-3A" (Multifamily Apartment Residential District). The subject property is locally addressed as 1002 Medical Drive, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.67 OF AN ACRE, BEING LOT 2B, BLOCK 006, W.S.S. ADDITION FROM "B-3" (LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "R-3A" (MULTIFAMILY APARTMENT RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) WITH A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
Ms. Meshier introduced the item, gave a brief presentation, and fielded questions from the Council Members.

The petitioner appeared before Council and provided additional explanation and fielded questions from the Council Members.

Mayor Solomon opened the public hearing at 9:46 PM.

Giovanni Stanziale spoke in opposition to the request.

Denise Harris spoke in favor of the request.

Florence Flores spoke in favor of the request.

Dan Corbin spoke in opposition to this request.

Rosemany Kana spoke in opposition to this request.

Reverend Tim Nott spoke in opposition to the request.

Ron Walker spoke in opposition to the request.

Graham Lacaze spoke in favor of the request.

Jim Wright spoke in favor of the request.

Eric Sears spoke in favor of the request.

Malaloa Vaomu spoke in favor of the request.

Craig Brown spoke in favor of the request.

Michael Fornino spoke in favor of the request.

Malcom Gray spoke in favor of the request.

With no other speakers, the public hearing was closed at 10:29 PM.

Motion was made by Councilmember Nash-King to approve the Ordinance, as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Bass. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

Discussion Items

Motion was made by Councilmember Nash-King to table Discussion Items DS-26-090, DS-26-091, and DS26-093 until the next Regular City Council Meeting on October 20, 2026. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Brown. The motion carried unanimously 7-0.

DS-26-090 Discuss Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers in Killeen

DS-26-091 Discuss City Cemetery Expansion

Executive Session

DS-26-092 Discuss potential land purchase of KISD property for the purpose of affordable housing.

Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Michael Fornino spoke on non-agenda items.

Jamie Carroll spoke on non-agenda items.

Malcom Gray spoke on non-agenda items.

Adjournment

With no further business, upon motion being made by Councilmember Nash-King, seconded by Councilmember Bass, and unanimously approved 6-0 *(Councilmember Williams not present on the dias)*, the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 PM

Joseph Solomon, Mayor

Elaine Simpson, City Secretary