

**CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
MINUTES FOR CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
August 12, 2026 - 9:00 AM**



The City Council convened in regular session in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Midland, Texas, at 9:00 AM, August 12, 2026.

Council Members present: John Burkholder, Amy Stretcher Burkes, Robin Poole, Lori Blong, Brian Stubbs, Jack Ladd, John Norman

Council Members absent:

Staff members present: City Manager Tommy Gonzalez, City Attorney Nicholas Toulet-Crump, City Governance Officer/City Secretary Marcia Bentley-German, Deputy City Manager Morris Williams Jr., Deputy City Manager Jose Ortiz

MISCELLANEOUS

1. 2026-109 - RESOLUTION RECORDING A VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER AN AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 AND TO ESTABLISH A DATE TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE; ESTABLISHING DATES WHEN THERE WILL BE A RECORD VOTE ON THE TAX RATE; AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO POST ALL APPROPRIATE NOTICES (**DISTRICT: NONE**) (**FINANCE**) (**PROVIDE SOUND GOVERNANCE & FISCAL MANAGEMENT**)

City Manager Tommy Gonzalez introduced the items for discussion and reported a No New Revenue Budget/Rate is recommended.

Budget Manager Alyssa Coppens provided Council with a presentation of the General Fund Budget.

Chief Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs provided Council with Goal Team One presentations for Airports and Development Services.

Managing Director of Public Safety Chuck Blumenauer and Police Chief Greg Snow provided Council with Goal Team Two presentations for Animal Services, Health Services Department and the Police Department.

Chief Planning & Development Officer Elizabeth Triggs provided Council with Goal Team Three presentations for the Parks & Recreation Department.

Chief of Staff Taylor Novak & Chief Information Officer Gorgees Eskander provided Council Goal Team Four presentations for Strategic Communications and Information Technology Services Department (ITSD).

Director of Human Relations & Development Nicole Weaverling provided Council Goal Team

Five presentations for the Human Relations & Development Department.

Engineering Services Director Gabriel McClelland, Public Works Officer and Utilities Director Carl Craig and Strategic Partnerships Officer Dr. Lindsey Adams provided Council Goal Team Six presentations for Utilities, Engineering Services and Strategic Partnerships.

Council interacted with questions and discussion with staff throughout the presentations.

Robin Poole moved to Approve; seconded by Amy Stretcher Burkes.

The motion Passed by the following vote:

AYE: John Burkholder, Amy Stretcher Burkes, Robin Poole, Lori Blong, Brian Stubbs, Jack Ladd, John Norman

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

This entire presentation may be viewed online at <https://midlandtexas.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12431/Goal-Team-Catalog—1> or visit the City of Midland website (www.midlandtexas.gov) and click on City Council Presentation under City Leadership. The video may be viewed at <https://midlandtx.new.swagit.com/videos/395971>.

All the business at hand having been completed, the meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED August 25, 2026.

Lori Blong, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marcia Bentley-German
City Governance Officer/City Secretary