



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING CITY OF BAY CITY

Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS | 1901 5th Street

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor: Robert K. Nelson

Mayor Pro Tem: Blayne Finlay

Council Members: Cory McCray, Jim Folse, Bradley Westmoreland, Susan Reardon

Vision Statement

We envision Bay City as a thriving, family-centered community where our citizens can live, work, worship, and play, while welcoming visitors to experience our beautiful environment and diverse culture.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert K. Nelson at 6:06 PM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Robert K. Nelson

Council Member Jin Folse

Council Member Susan Reardon

Mayor Pro Tem Blayne Finlay

Council Member Cory McCray

ABSENT:

Council Member Brad Westmoreland

INVOCATION & PLEDGE

Texas State Flag Pledge: "Honor The Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance To Thee, Texas, One State Under God, One And Indivisible."

Councilman Cory McCray

MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Bay City promotes economic growth and invests in quality-of-life initiatives through collaboration. We respond promptly and professionally to residents' concerns and strive to deliver superior municipal services.

Councilman Cory McCray

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

City Attorney, Anne Marie Odefey, stated item #10 needed to be tabled to the next scheduled Council meeting. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Finlay to approve the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Council Member Folse, Council Member Reardon, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Council Member McCray. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager, Scotty Jones, announced Ray Beltran, the City's Public Information Officer, completed week one of the Certified Public Communications Program at Texas Christian University. The Communication Resource page has been launched on the City's website and is available to help citizens find valuable resources all in one place. The resource page can be made available in paper form as well. Ms. Jones spoke briefly about Library and Parks & Recreation summer events. The first official meeting of the Youth Advisory Council was August 10th and 12 high school juniors and seniors attended. On August 25th, the Youth Advisory Council will make an introductory presentation to Council at the Regular Council meeting.

ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR & COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Pro Tem, Finlay spoke of the Youth Advisory meeting he attended, and mentioned he loved the meeting and enjoyed watching them interact and take charge. He also wished everyone a very productive school year. He thanked teachers and counselors for all they do. He also talked about seeing Public Works employees in the store and encouraged citizens to thank employees for helping better the community. Mayor spoke about the back-to-school event and said that it was a good turnout. He also talked about the work being done on 12th street and asked that everyone to please respect the barricades that are in place.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL

1. **Council Workshop meeting minutes of July 28, 2026.**
2. **Regular Council Meeting minutes of July 28, 2026.**
3. **City of Bay City Tourism Strategic Plan for 2026–2027, as recommended by the Tourism Advisory Board.**
4. **City of Bay City Main Street Transformation Strategy Work Plan, as recommended by the Main Street Historic Preservation Advisory Board.**
5. **Authorizing City staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for professional planning services to develop and support adoption of the City's Comprehensive Plan under the Texas General Land Office Resilient Communities Program.**
6. **Authorizing City staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for administrative services and a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering services related to application preparation and grant implementation for Program Years 2027 and/or 2028 under the Community Development Fund of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program, as administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture.**

Motion made by Council Member Reardon to approve all Consent Agenda Items. Seconded by Council

Member Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Council Member Folse, Council Member Reardon, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Council Member McCray. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

7. Reports ~ Reports ~ Public Works Report

Assistant Public Works Director, Krystal Mason, presented the Public Works Report.

REGULAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL

8. Resolution ~ Discuss, consider, and/or approve a Resolution of the City of Bay City, Texas to amend fees for Riverside Park RV and Camp Sites and provide an effective date.

Kelly Penewitt, Parks & Recreation Manager, reviewed the proposed fees for Riverside Park RV and Camp sites, adding that Hospitality Across America provided a competitive rate analysis and their study found that park to be underpriced.

Motion made by Council Member Folse to approve a Resolution of the City of Bay City, Texas to amend fees for Riverside Park RV and Camp Sites and provide an effective date . Seconded by Council Member McCray. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Council Member Folse, Council Member Reardon, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Council Member McCray. Motion carried.

9. Bid ~ Discuss, consider, and/ or approve the award of RFP No. COBC-CCA-2026-001 for Municipal Brand Identification and Development and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement for these services.

Communications Manager, Ray Beltran, explained that this brand initiative was part of the City's Strategic Plan and budget. It does not include the design of a new logo or visual identity. Black Dog Designs, LLC was selected from the 11 proposals.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Finlay to approve the award of RFP No. COBC-CCA-2026-001 for Municipal Brand Identification and Development and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement for these services. Seconded by Council Member Reardon. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Council Member Folse, Council Member Reardon, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Council Member McCray. Motion carried.

10. Bid ~ Discuss, consider, and/or approve the award of one or more contracts under RFP No. COBC-PW-GS-2026 for Generator Maintenance, Testing, and Emergency Repair Services and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement(s).

This item was tabled to the next scheduled City Council meeting.

11. Agreement ~ Discuss, consider, and/or approve Add Services No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Quiddity Engineering, LLC in the amount of \$7,000.00 for additional professional engineering services associated with the rebid of the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Cottonwood Creek Diversion Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute the amendment.

Engineering Tech, Gabriel Lopez, stated the project is grant funded at a 75% / 25% split. He explained the City is expanding the search for qualified contractors with Quiddity, costing \$7,000.00 for Quiddity to manage, issue solicitation, review bids and give recommendation to the City. Mr. Lopez explained that he will request this amount be reimbursed through a change order.

Motion made by Council Member McCray to approve Add Services No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with Quiddity Engineering, LLC in the amount of \$7,000.00 for additional professional engineering services associated with the rebid for the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Cottonwood Creek Diversion Project, and authorize the Mayor to execute the amendment. Seconded by Council Member Folse. Voting Yea: Mayor Nelson, Council Member Folse, Council Member Reardon, Mayor Pro Tem Finlay, Council Member McCray. Motion carried.

CLOSED / EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. Executive Session ~ Executive Session ~ Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 (Deliberation regarding Real Property).

There was no Closed/ Executive Session.

RECONVENE AND ACTION

ITEMS / COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CITY MANAGER

Council Members wished everyone a happy and safe school year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 25th day of August.



ROBERT K. NELSON, MAYOR
CITY OF BAY CITY, TEXAS



JEANNA THOMPSON
CITY SECRETARY

