



CITY OF TEXARKANA
CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA • SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Council Chambers **Regular Meeting** **6:00 PM**

220 TEXAS BLVD., TEXARKANA, TX 75501

Mayor

Bob Bruggeman

Ward 1

Jean H. Matlock

Ward 3

Steve Thompson

Ward 5

Cole Meador

Ward 2

Mary Hart

Ward 4

Christie Page

Ward 6

Jay Davis



Vision

The vision of the City is to be a thriving regional center for education, business, and culture which attracts and serves our residents and visitors.

Mission

The mission of the City is to provide customer-focused public services and regional leadership that serve our residents and visitors while offering a safe, vibrant, and welcoming community.

The City Council reserves the right to convene into closed session on any agenda item or issue if applicable pursuant to authorization by the Texas Open Meetings Act (Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code), and will reconvene into open session before taking any final action, decision, or vote on a matter deliberated.

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE LED BY MAYOR BOB BRUGGEMAN

III. MAYOR'S REMARKS AND ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

IV. OPEN FORUM: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Per Council rules, comment time is limited to five minutes, or ten minutes if using a translator. Before comments are made, a speaker must complete an information sheet and give to the City Secretary. If your comment pertains to an agenda item with a scheduled public hearing or public comment, the Council requires that you make your comment at that time; you do not need to complete an information sheet.

V. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

VI. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Consent Items

Action Items

1. Resolution No. 2025-110 approving the fiscal year 2026 Master Fee List, including reauthorization of building permit fees.

Public Hearing:
Council Vote: September 8, 2025

2. Resolution No. 2025-114 amending the city's purchasing policy manual.

Public Hearing:
Council Vote: September 8, 2025

3. Ordinance No. 2025-120 amending the budget estimate of the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and adopting the budget and appropriating resources for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026. (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Public Hearing:

Council Vote: September 8, 2025

4. Ordinance No. 2025-121 fixing the tax rate and levy in and for the City of Texarkana, Texas, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, upon all taxable property in the City of Texarkana, Texas. (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Public Hearing:

Council Vote: September 8, 2025

5. Ordinance No. 2025-112 ratifying the recently adopted budget that contains a property tax rate that raises more total property taxes than the previous year. [Note: As of the posting date of this agenda, the referenced property tax proposed for the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget is a tax rate of \$0.6500 per \$100 of assessed valuation — the same tax rate adopted for Fiscal Year 2024-25.] (ROLL CALL VOTE)

Public Hearing:

Council Vote: September 8, 2025

6. Ordinance No. 2025-133 discussing and considering all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of “City of Texarkana, Texas, Tax Notes, Series 2025”, including the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of such tax notes.

Public Hearing:

Council Vote: September 8, 2025

VII. FIRST BRIEFINGS

1. Ordinance No. 2025-126 amending the Code of Ordinances by adopting the International Building Code (IBC), 2024 Edition with certain amendments, modifications, deletions, and appendices by amending Sections 105-75 and 105-76.

Public Hearing: October 13, 2025

Council Vote: October 13, 2025

- 2. Ordinance No. 2025-127 amending the Code of Ordinances by adopting the International Residential Code (IRC), 2024 Edition, with certain amendments, modifications, deletions, and appendices.

Public Hearing: October 13, 2025
Council Vote: October 13, 2025

PLACEHOLDER - 2025-132 AMENDING CH. 26, "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Ordinance No. 2025-124 rezoning Lot 19, Block 6, H.S. Janes HRS, A-306, located in the 1300 block of Letter Carrier Drive (Ward 2) from Single Family-2 to Single Family-3. Alvin Battle, owner.

Public Hearing: September 8, 2025
Council Vote: September 8, 2025

- 2. Ordinance No. 2025-125 granting a Specific Use Permit to allow the location of a HUD code manufactured home on Lot 19, Block 6, H.S. Janes HRS, A-306, located in the 1300 block of Letter Carrier Drive (Ward 2). Alvin Battle, owner.

Public Hearing: September 8, 2025
Council Vote: September 8, 2025

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

X. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

- 1. City Council
- 2. City Staff

XI. ADJOURNMENT



Jennifer Evans
City Secretary

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