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REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 7/27/2026

I. Call Meeting to Order-**Mayor Garza called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.**

II. Roll Call-**All council members were present.**

III. Invocation- **Mayor Garza gave the invocation.**

IV. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States-**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was led by D'Ann Lane.**

V. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of Texas-**The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by D'Ann Lane.**

VI. Public Comments

Mari Gonzales was present for a Public Comment. Ms. Gonzales stated that she no longer worked for the city. She is unable to apply within a 100-mile radius of the city due to the investigation being discussed outside the city. Ms. Gonzales claims that she could not give a statement until a decision was already made. She stated that people pick and choose when to reprimand she tried to do write ups, and nothing was done. Are we going to follow policy or just throw it away? The City Manager did not complete a fair investigation.

VII. Announcements and Correspondence

a) George West ISD starts school August 11, 2026.
b) We are preparing for the flood.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and Action** to change the time of the August City Council Regular Session Meeting to 5:30 p.m.

2. **Consideration and Action** to approve the following minutes:
   a) **Regular Session City Council Meeting Minutes June 30, 2026.**

3. **Consideration and Action** to approve Accounts Payable for June 2026.

Mayor Garza asked if anything needed to be pulled from the Consent Agenda. Nothing was

pulled. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Move as read by John Walker. Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

4. **Consideration and Action to** approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 939, amending Ordinance 826-A, providing for the amendment of City Council Policies Section 1, Sub-section A, changing the time of the Regular Session City Council Meetings from 7:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. Mayor Garza added this because we always have to have this on the Consent Agenda. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

5. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2026-09 recognizing a vacancy in the office of city council member due to loss of required residency qualifications.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. At the last council meeting City Attorney Epi Ysassi stated that we needed this Resolution when we have a vacancy on council. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

6. **Consideration and Action** to adopt Resolution No. 2026-10, removing Nathan Stroleny, as a Signator on the South Trust Bank Accounts.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUSINESS:

7. **Consideration and Action** to approve the $2000.00 sign-on incentive Memorandum of Understanding between the City of George West and any potential City of George West Police Officers through December 31, 2026.

Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. Open for discussion. Chief Valverde is still waiting for a correction from City Attorney Epi Ysassi. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to postpone. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by John Walker. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. This item will be postponed until the next council meeting.

8. **Consideration and Action** to approve the automatic renewal of the contract between the City of George West and Old Marbach School Water Supply Corporation through March 27, 2027.

Move as read by David Ainsworth. Seconded by Jearl Rannefled. Open for discussion. The council has not seen a new contract. The council would like to see a new contract. Mayor Garza entertained a motion to postpone until the next council meeting. Move as read by Jearl Rannefeld. Seconded by Davis Ainsworth. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

9. **Consideration and Action** to convene into EXECUTIVE SESSION. In accordance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Personnel Matters), the City Council may go into executive session to discuss the following:

    a) Council Appointed Positions.

Move as read by David Ainsworth. Seconded by Jearl Rannefeld. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. The council entered Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.

10. **RECONVENE**
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    ZOOM PW: 084089

Move as read by Jearl Rannfeld. Seconded by David Ainsworth. Mayor Garza called for a vote. All in favor. Motion carried.

BRIEFINGS:

11. **City Manager and Financial Director's Report:**
    a) Revenue and Expense Report for June 2026.
    b) City and Project Updates

12. **Questions or Briefings at the City Council's Request:**
    a) Code Enforcement
    b) Municipal Court Report
    c) Public Works
    d) Police Chief Report
    e) Animal Control
    f) Live Oak Medical Response Team 1

City Manager Darrell Pullin gave his briefings. Well #3 pump #2 has arrived, working on getting those up and running. Public Works is continuing to clean up brush along fences,

cut low tree limbs, clean out drainage ditches, and patching streets. We are experiencing a lot of water leaks, and have been working on repairs. The Clarifier at the Waste Water Treatment Plant skirting has been repaired. We have completed the 1st quarter TCEQ report and public notice. The City Manager met with J. Carroll Weaver to get a quote on Katzfey Dr. Mr. Pullin is currently getting prices for a new backhoe.

Financial Director Shirley Holm gave the financial reports for June 2026. The General Fund is 8% above budget plan for Revenue, and the Expenditures are exactly as budget plan. The Utility Fund is on budget for Revenue, and the Expenditures are 9% below budget plan. These are acceptable. The General Fund and Utility Funds combined are at a positive amount of $ 405,174. The bank balances are $2,168,626. Interest earned on investments is $ 7,002 for year to date.

13. Adjournment.

ATTEST: _____
D'Ann Lane, City Secretary

SIGNED: _____
Andrew Garza, Mayor