

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
MINUTES –SEPTEMBER 4, 2025**

The Special Called Meeting of the City Council was held on **September 4, 2025**, at 6:00 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street. This was an OPEN MEETING, open to the public, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas and, as required by law, was duly posted, at the Gonzales Municipal Building, giving notice of time, date, place, and agenda thereof. The meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet were posted online at [www.gonzales.texas.gov](http://www.gonzales.texas.gov).

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Mayor Anzaldua called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>
Isaac Anzaldua	Mayor	Present
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present
Mariah Jordan	Council Member, District 2	Present
Lorenzo Hernandez	Council Member, District 3	Present
Harold Strom	Council Member, District 4	Present

**STAFF PARTICIPATING:**

Tim Crow-City Manager, Laura Zella-Finance Director, Kristina Vega-City Secretary, Erica Leopold-Administrative Assistant, Susan Sankey-Economic Development Director, Tiffany Hutchinson-Padilla-Main Street Director, Gayle Autry-Police Chief Tammy West-Police Lt. and Victor Izaguirre-Police Lt.

**HEARING OF RESIDENTS**

Richard Green spoke against a tax rate increase.

Ronda Miller spoke against a tax rate increase and regarding budgeting practices.

Pastor Nation spoke regarding unity and working together to be stronger.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Mayor Anzaldua opened the Public Hearing for the following matters:**

The City council of the City of Gonzales has approved a preliminary tax rate of \$0.3500, which exceeds the lower of the no-new revenue or voter-approval tax rate, and that if adopted, would increase the total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 20.62% or \$378,663, but would increase the total tax rate from the preceding tax year by \$0.0534 or 18%.

Citizen input regarding the use of City Funds for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$378,663 or 20.62% and of that amount \$24,010 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Citizen input regarding the proposed Master Rate and Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 and ending September 30, 2026.

**No Public Hearing Comments were made.**

**Council Member Kridler stated the proposed tax rate and budget will be voted on at the September 11, 2025 meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 N. Saint Joseph Street, Gonzales, Texas.**

**WORKSHOP**

2.1 Presentation, discussion and deliberation on the Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025 and Ending on September 30, 2026.

The City Council and staff deliberated regarding the proposed budget requests for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2025, Ending September 30, 2026.

**ADJOURN**

On a motion by Council Member Kridler and a second by Council Member Jordan, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Approved this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

  
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Kristina Vega, City Secretary

  
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Mayor, Isaac Anzaldúa