

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES – MARCH 10, 2026**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held on **March 10, 2026**, 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.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Anzaldua called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

Attendee Name	Title	Status
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:

Kristina Vega-City Secretary, Erica Leopold-Administrative Assistant/Municipal Court Clerk, Laura Zella-Finance Director, Gayle Austry-Police Chief, Tammy West-Police Lt, Victor Izaguirre-Police Lt., Ralph Camarillo-Parks Director, Tiffany Hutchinson-Padilla-Main Street Director, Amanda Garza-JB Wells Park Arena Operations Manager and Susan Sankey-Economic Development Director

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Organizational Public Comment: This agenda item is for the purpose of allowing organizational representatives to make comments.

none

Individual Public Comment: This agenda item is for the purpose of allowing individuals to make comments.

none

CITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcements of upcoming City Event- Big Boss Gun Show, Runaway Scrape, Art Exhibition at the Gallery, Come & Take It Makers Market, Gerald Wayne Clack Memorial Car Show, Texas Independence Relay, Team Roping at JB Wells, Easter Egg Hunt Events.
- Announcements and recognitions by the City Manager- None.
- Announcements and recognitions by the Mayor- Recognized Gonzales CTE Department as GISD, the JB Wells Department and Juan Ontiveros
- Recognition of actions by City employees- Main Street Director Tiffany Hutchinson-Padilla recognized The Beautification Board and their volunteers and EDC Executive Director Susan Sankey and her team

- Recognition of actions by community volunteers- None.

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

- 1.1 Finance Director, Laura Zella provided feedback on any questions regarding:
 - Financial Reports for funds as of December 31, 2025
 - Cash & Investment by Fund as of December 31, 2025
- 1.2 No report given to the City Council on the following:
 - Timeline on Capital Improvement and Departmental Projects
 - Bridge Replacement Project
 - Stieren Road project

No questions were asked regarding the reports.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 2.1 Proclamation presentation:
 - American Red Cross Month

Proclamation will be presented at a later time this month

- 2.2 Parks Director, Ralph Camarillo will provide a presentation regarding planning for the 2026 Summer Youth Program

Ralph Camarillo provided a presentation regarding planning for the 2026 Summer Youth Program

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Councilmember.

- 3.1 Minutes - Approval of the minutes for the February 10, 2026 Regular Meeting, and February 18, 2026 Called Meeting Minutes
- 3.2 Certification of Unopposed Candidate and Order of Cancellation:
Council District 3-Lorenzo Hernandez
Council District 4-Harold Strom
- 3.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-21** Authorizing Gonzales Main Street's Use of the Brickyard Area of Independence Park, Independence Square including the Parking Lot, Designated Street Closures, and Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages for the Star-Spangled Spectacular Event on July 4, 2026
- 3.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-22** Authorizing the Use of Independence Square Including the Parking Lot, and the Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages for the Gonzo Graveler cycling event on May 9, 2026

- 3.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-23** Authorizing the Use of the Downtown Sidewalks and Streets by Gonzales Main Street, Inc. for a Downtown Spooktacular Event to be held Saturday, October 31, 2026
- 3.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-24** Approving the Tax Resale of the Property Located at 1420 St. Matthew Street; Lot "H", also known as Lot 8, Block 14, Third Subdivision of La Fayette Place Addition, an addition to the Town of Gonzales, Gonzales County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Volume 85, Page 402, Deed Records of Gonzales County, Texas
- 3.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-25** Adopting the 2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, including any future edits needed for Federal compliance for Gonzales County

ACTION: Items 3.1 through 3.7

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve the consent agenda Items 3.1 through 3.7
Council Member Jordan seconded the motion. Mayor Anzaldua called for a roll call vote.
For: Unanimous. The motion passes 5 to 0.

RESOLUTIONS

- 4.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-26** Authorizing the Use of City Property and City Staff assistance for 2026 Jim Price Clean Up April 18, 2026

ACTION: Item 4.1

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2026-26** Authorizing the Use of City Property, Proposal #3, and City Staff assistance for 2026 Jim Price Clean Up April 18, 2026. Council Member Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor Anzaldua called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passes 5 to 0.

- 4.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2026-27** Accepting the Donation and Approving the installation of three interpretive panels commemorating Tejano Heritage as it relates to Gonzales and the Green Dewitt Colony

ACTION: Item 4.2

APPROVED

Council Member Kridler moved to approve **Resolution #2026-27** Accepting the Donation and Approving the installation of three interpretive panels commemorating Tejano Heritage as it relates to Gonzales and the Green Dewitt Colony. Council Member Hernandez seconded the motion. Mayor Anzaldua called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passes 5 to 0.

CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

The Council convened into closed session at 6:35 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- 5.1 (1) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice from attorney

concerning property tax collections related to Parcel 13371 (R13810), previously referred to as Craven's Truck Stop and Convenience Store.

(2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person:

A) Unopened portion of Church Street

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council convened into open session at 6:52 p.m.

6.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action regarding matters discussed in closed session, and/or other actions necessary or recommended related to such discussions in closed session

Council Member Kridler moved to approve having the City Manager execute all documents for 5.1 (2). Council Member Jordan seconded the motion. Mayor Anzaldua called for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passes 5 to 0.

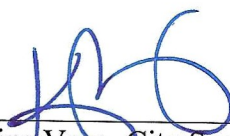
CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on a future City Council agenda- Council Member Kridler requested having the City Manager look into possible grants towards the duck pond.
- Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers- none.
- City and community events attended and to be attended- none.
- Continuing education events attended and to be attended- none.


ADJOURN

On a motion by Council Member Kridler the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Approved this 9th day of April, 2026.



Kristina Vega, City Secretary



Mayor, Isaac Anzaldua