

City of Southmayd, Texas
Minutes of August 19, 2025
Regular City Council Meeting

The City Council of the City of Southmayd, Texas met on this date at 6:00 p.m. for a regular City Council meeting. City Council members present were Mayor Debra Thompson, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Horstman, Mark Everett, Matthew Tanner, and Teresa Miller. The City Staff present were City Secretary Amanda McGill, Chief Laughlin, and Officer Barrett. Councilmember Briana Monroe showed at 6:20 p.m.

Agenda

A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum:

Mayor Thompson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:01 p.m., August 19, 2025.

B. PLEDGE TO FLAG and INVOCATION:

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman led the pledge to flag and invocation.

C. WELCOME GUESTS:

All guests were welcomed.

D. PUBLIC FORUM:

Lindsey Wright addressed the council and guests on the proposal of sales tax for the unincorporated areas in Grayson County.

E. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION: *(No Action)*

F. CONSENT AGENDA & STAFF REPORTS

**Consent agenda items are routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion without discussion unless a Council Member or a citizen requests a specific item be discussed and voted on separately.*

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of the City Council minutes for July 15, 2025, Regular Meeting and August 7, 2025, Special Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to accept the consent agenda and staff reports.
Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

G. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on presentation of the July 2025 financial statements and report of account by Joe Madden, CPA.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the July 2025 financial statements and report of accounts.
Councilmember Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on accepting the resignation of Councilmember Briana Monroe.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to move past this item. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on update on water interconnection from Tallulah with Antero Group.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to table the update on the water interconnection with updated pricing to the Special Budget meeting agenda on August 26, 2025. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Discuss, consider, and possible action ratifying approval by Mayor Thompson on the emergency purchase of a new server for city computers.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to ratify approval on the purchase of a new server for city computers in the amount of \$5,938.00. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Discuss, consider, and possible action on road repair estimate for Cody Lane.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the bid from Advanced Paving Co. for the repair on Cody Lane in the amount of \$17,750.00 with a budget amendment and to raise the amount to \$18,000.00 for the purchase of red reflectors and cones to be put out by public works. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss, consider, and possible action on road condition of Donne Road.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the bid from Grayson County Pct 3 in the amount of \$4,483.00 with a budget amendment. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on road repair for Elementary, Wrangler, Fossil Creek, Bandana, Stetson, Pine Ridge, Willow Ridge, and Aaron with hot mix from Grayson County.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the bid from Grayson County Pct 3 in the amount of \$29,163.00 to cover repairs to Elementary, Wrangler, Fossil Creek, Bandana, Stetson, Pine Ridge, Willow Ridge, and Aaron. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on warranty repair to Parkview Dr. and Christi Ln.

Discussion only. No action taken.

9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on estimate from Clayton McKinney for repair to fire hydrant at Parkview Dr and Hwy 56.

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to accept the bid from Clayton McKinney in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the repair to the fire hydrant located at Parkview Dr. and Hwy 56. Councilmember Everett seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

10. Discuss, consider, and possible action on destruction of smart water meters by mowers or negligence.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to approve the costs associated with the destruction of smart water meters by mowers or negligence. The rates for first offense will be as listed, the rates for a second offense will double, and the rates for a third offense will triple with the possibility of being issued a citation for reckless destruction of government property. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

11. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the update of Ordinance 160 for the cost of mowing properties to be billed to owner of land from \$15.00 to \$125.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to approve the update of Ordinance 160 for the cost of mowing properties to be billed to owner of land from \$15.00 to \$125.00 up to one acre. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

12. Discuss, consider, and possible action on scheduling a date and time for chipping.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to post on all city social platforms that chipping is available to residents in Southmayd. They will need to contact the City Hall for drop-off locations, or the city can bring to them. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

13. Discuss, consider, and possible action on updates on the Grayson Meadows Village Development on Southmayd Road.

Discussion only. No action taken.

14. Discuss, consider, and possible action on forming a Clean-Up Assistance Program for at least one house per month.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to send this project to Parks & Recreation for their committee to oversee forming a Clean-Up Assistance Program. Councilmember Tanner seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council of the City of Southmayd will recess into Executive Session (Closed Meeting) pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:

- i. Sec. 551.072: Real Property – to deliberate in executive session on certain matters concerning real property.
 - Selling 1.99 city owned acres
- ii. Sec. 551.074: Personnel Matters – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee

- Full-time Fire Chief position

Councilmember Everett made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 7:29 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

I. RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION:

Councilmember Everett made a motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 7:38 p.m. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

The City Council of the City of Southmayd will reconvene into Regular Session (open meeting) pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, to take any action necessary regarding the following items discussed in Executive Session:

- i. Sec. 551.072: Real Property – to deliberate in executive session on certain matters concerning real property.

- Selling 1.99 city owned acres

Councilmember Everett made a motion not to accept the contract due to the City of Southmayd not being interested in selling any assets at this time.

- ii. Sec. 551.074: Personnel Matters – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee

- Full-time Fire Chief position

No action. This will stay a Part-time position.

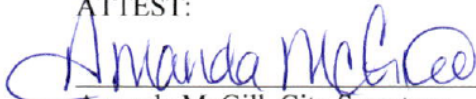
J. ADJOURN

Councilmember Everett moved to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Debra Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amanda McGill, City Secretary

Approved: September 16, 2025