

City of Southmayd, Texas
Minutes of September 16, 2025
Public Hearing/ 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, Briana Monroe and Teresa Miller. The City Staff present were City Secretary Amanda McGill and Chief Laughlin. Councilmember Matthew Tanner showed at 6:10 p.m.

Agenda

A. CALL TO ORDER & Declaration of a Quorum:

Mayor Thompson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., September 16, 2025.

B. Public Hearing:

The purpose of the public hearing was to hear citizen comments are the 2025-2026 purposed tax rate. The public hearing began at 6:00 pm and ended at 6:02 pm.

C. PLEDGE TO FLAG and INVOCATION:

Councilmember Miller led the pledge to flag and invocation.

D. WELCOME GUESTS:

All guests were welcomed.

E. PUBLIC FORUM:

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

Reserve Officer Marty Hall was sworn in by Chief Jeff Laughlin.

G. 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 August 19, 2025, Regular Meeting, August 26, 2025, Special Budget Meeting, and September 9, 2025, Special Budget Meeting.

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

H. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the 2025-2026 FY Budget.

Mayor Pro Tem Horstman made a motion to accept the 2025-2026 FY Budget. Councilmember Everett seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on Ordinance 465 approving and adopting the annual budget for the City of Southmayd, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to approve Ordinance 465 adopting the annual budget for the City of Southmayd, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on Ordinance 466 adopting the City's 2025 property tax rate and levying a tax upon all property subject to taxation within the City of Southmayd, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026.

Councilmember Monroe made a motion to approve Ordinance 466 adopting the property tax rate and levying a tax upon all property subject to taxation within the City of Southmayd, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on presentation of the August 2025 financial statements and report of accounts by Joe Madden, CPA.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept the August 2025 financial statements. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

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

Discussion only. No action taken.

6. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the purchase of a laptop and printer out of the technology account for the Southmayd Police Department 2023 Tahoe.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to accept and purchase the laptop and printer out of the technology account for the Southmayd Police Department 2023 Tahoe. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on selecting the date, time, and dinner options for the Southmayd Christmas Party.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to hold the Southmayd Christmas Party on December 6, 2025, at 6:00 pm at the Southmayd Community Center. BBQ will be served as the meal. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

I. 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.
 - Update on 4609 Elementary.

Councilmember Everett made a motion to convene into Executive Session at 6:34 p.m. Councilmember Tanner seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

J. RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION:

Councilmember Everett made a motion to reconvene into Regular Session at 6:42 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Horstman 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.
 - Update on 4609 Elementary.

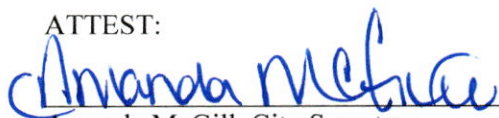
Councilmember Everett made a motion that the city is not interested in getting rid of anything on the property at this time. Councilmember Monroe seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

K. ADJOURN

Councilmember Everett moved to adjourn. Councilmember Tanner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.


Debra Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Amanda McGill, City Secretary
Approved: October 21, 2025