

September 8, 2025

The City Council met in Public Hearing followed by Regular Session on September 8, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were City Administrator-Jessie Montez, Mayor-Sally Poteet, Council Members: Adrian Hernandez, Shawna Barnhill, Steven Villa, Gib Wheeler, and Garrett Fulton. Also, present were Chief of Police-Joe Morales, and Finance Director-Laura Walker. Visitors: Tyler Krueger, Bill Reed, Aaron Dorfner, and Monique Wimberly.

The Public Hearing for Proposed Tax Rate and Planning and Zoning was called to order by Mayor Sally Poteet at 7:00 p.m.

2025-2026 Proposed Tax Rate.

Jacob Johnson 201 S. College St. (LT 12, BLK 56, OT ADD)

Daniel Harris 502 5<sup>th</sup> St. (LT E23.5, LT 4, W44.5, BLK 5, Clardy ADDN)

No public comment.

Mayor Sally Poteet closed the Public Hearing and opened Regular Session at 7:01 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

A motion was made by Council Member Wheeler and seconded by Council Member Barnhill that the previous minutes from August 11, 2025 be approved, all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to postpone action on item number 3, Noise and Nuisance Ordinance to an indefinite future time. Council Member Barnhill seconded the motion, all voted for.

Council Member Hernandez made the motion to deny variance for Jacob Johnson at 201 S. College St. (LT 12, BLK 56, OT ADD). Council Member Wheeler seconded the motion, all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to approve variance for Daniel Harris 502 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St. (LT E23.5, LT 4, W44.5, BLK 5, Clardy ADDN). Council Member Hernandez seconded the motion, all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to purchase 50 (Fifty) acres from Theodore Wells at a cost of \$1,000,000.00 (One Million Dollars), then establish an Interlocal Agreement with Martin County to share expenses related to the acquisition, engineering work, and TCEQ permitting. Council Member Barnhill seconded the motion, all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to hire Parkhill Engineering Firm for the landfill design and TCEQ permitting. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Villa made the motion to amend the 2024-2025 Budget as follows: CT-00-4444 increase \$350 (Three Hundred Fifty Dollars), CT-04-8384 increase \$850 (Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars), GF-00-4002 increase \$15,000 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars), GF-00-4501 increase 85,000 (Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars), GF-11-8215 decrease \$2,000 (Two Thousand Dollars), GF-11-8340 decrease \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars), GF-22-9010 increase \$85,000 (Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars), GF-37-8110 increase \$12,000 (Twelve Thousand Dollars), GF-37-8265 increase \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars), WS-01-9075 increase \$350 (Three Hundred Fifty Dollars). Council Member Barnhill seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion for property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$1.003178/\$100, which is effectively a 3.5% increase in the tax rate. Council Member Barnhill seconded the motion, all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to adopt a resolution for the City of Stanton Investment Policy, no changes were made. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Council Member Wheeler made the motion to reappoint Sally Poteet to the Economic Development Board. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for.

Mayor Sally Poteet read an update from Economic Development Director, Jaque Alcalá. Jaque attended the sales tax workshop in Lubbock at the end of August. She contacted Slim Chicken and they are not currently available for new locations. She believes drone videographer for EDC land will be good to have. She has 2 (Two) applications out and she is hoping to have a meeting when they're turned in. There is an EDC conference in Bastrop in November she has signed up for, as well as Steven Villa, Jeremy Louder, and Jessie Montez.

Council Member Barnhill made the motion to schedule the Council Meeting for Tuesday, October 14, 2025, due to a holiday on Monday. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, all voted for.

Reports from Chief of Police: 109 (One Hundred Nine) calls of service for the past month. Chief Morales reported he has an officer out due to sustaining an injury.

City Administrator reported: Landfill backhoe was briefly stolen, it appeared as though the thieves were unsuccessful in trying to load it onto the trailer on a lease not far from the landfill. Seal coat should be happening this week on the 11<sup>th</sup> (Eleventh) and 12<sup>th</sup> (Twelfth). Old Sorehead Trade Days agreed to pay for half of the additional lights to match what is already in place around City Hall.

Council Member Barnhill made the motion to pay the August 2025 bills. The motion was seconded by Council Member Villa, and all voted for.

Mayor Poteet closed the Regular Meeting and opened Executive Session at 7:23 p.m. to deliberate on matters authorized under the Texas Government Code § 551.071 - Consultation with Attorneys.

Mayor Poteet closed Executive Session and opened Regular Session at 7:59p.m.

Council Member Barnhill made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Villa seconded the motion, and all voted for. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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Sally Poteet, Mayor

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ATTEST: Jessie Montez, City Administrator