CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 14, 2026
5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 110 NORTH 8TH STREET,
GATESVILLE, TEXAS 76528

AN OPEN MEETING WAS HELD CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER** THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT **5:30 P.M.** THIS **14th DAY OF JULY 2026.**

2. **QUORUM CHECK/COUNCIL PRESENT:** Mayor Gary Chumley, Mayor Pro-Tem Greg Casey, Councilmembers Jon Salter, Aaron Smith, Kalinda Westbrook, Joe Patterson and Travis VanBibber.

   CITY STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Brad Hunt, City Secretary Holly Owens, Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Mike Halsema, Chief Jeff Clark, Chad Newman, Lori McLaughlin, Seth Phillips, and Shea Harp.

   OTHERS: Leo Corona, Allyson Hinkle, Tina Zimmerman, Sonia Blanchard, and Jason Shields.

3. **INVOCATION:** Kalinda Westbrook and **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Gary Chumley.

   CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENTS FORUM: INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE GATESVILLE CITY COUNCIL MAY DO SO DURING THIS SEGMENT. IF YOU INTEND TO COMMENT ON A SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE INDICATE THE ITEM(S) ON THE SIGN IN SHEET BEFORE THE MEETING. EACH SPEAKER IS ALLOTED A MAXIMUM OF 3 MINUTES FOR THEIR REMARKS, AND SPEAKERS ARE EXPECTED TO CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A RESPECTFUL MANNER. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY OF GATESVILLE CITY COUNCIL CANNOT DELIBERATE OR ACT ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE MEETING AGENDA.

No comments.

CONSENT

4. All consent agenda items are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests an item to be removed and considered separately.

   a. **Resolution 2026-074:** Discussion and possible action regarding approval of minutes from Regular City Council Meeting held on **June 23, 2026.**

   b. **Resolution 2026-075:** Discussion and possible action regarding the May 2026 Financials. (Mike Halsema)

   c. **Resolution 2026-076:** Discussion and possible action regarding a request to close South 8th Street for Spurfest scheduled for September 19, 2026. (Brad Hunt)

   d. **Resolution 2026-077:** Discussion and possible action to Order the November 3, 2026 General Election. (Holly Owens)

   e. **Resolution 2026-078:** Discussion and possible action to approve amendment #3 to the Walker Partners Professional Services Agreement. (Mike Halsema)

Councilwoman Westbrook requested Item 4b be removed from Consent and be considered separately.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Travis VanBibber, seconded by Jon Salter to **APPROVE** the **CONSENT AGENDA (4a, 4c, 4d, 4e)** as presented. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION 2026-075: Mike Halsema acknowledged the typo on page 7 and made the appropriate corrections. Motion by Kalinda Westbrook, seconded by Jon Salter to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-075** with the acknowledged typo and corrections as discussed. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

5. **Resolution 2026-079:** Update on projects under FEMA Disaster DR 4781 TX; Discussion and possible action regarding a Professional Service Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) for Post-Award FEMA Engineering Services.

Brad Hunt gave Council a brief update of current FEMA projects.

RESOLUTION 2026-079: Motion by Greg Casey, seconded by Aaron Smith to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) for Post-Award FEMA Engineering Services, and to authorize City Manager Hunt to execute the Agreement as presented. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

6. **Resolution 2026-080:** Discussion and possible action regarding the conveyance of the Boy Scout hut on Raby Park property from the Lion's Club of Gatesville to the City of Gatesville.

RESOLUTION 2026-080: Motion by Kalinda Westbrook, seconded by Travis VanBibber to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-080** conveying the building in the southeast corner of Raby Park known as the "Boy Scout Hut" to the City of Gatesville, Texas and to authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary and related documents. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

7. **Resolution 2026-081:** Discussion and possible action regarding a Resolution to authorize applying for a grant through the Texas Water Development Board and designating representatives.

RESOLUTION 2026-081: Motion by Jon Salter, seconded by Travis VanBibber to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-081** to authorize applying for a House Bill 500 Grant through the Texas Water Development Board and designating representatives. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

8. **Resolution 2026-082:** Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution committing matching funds for the Local Park Non-Urban Indoor Recreation Grant.

RESOLUTION 2026-082: Motion by Aaron Smith and seconded by Jon Salter to **APPROVE RESOUTION 2026-082** committing matching funds for the TPWD Local Parks Non-Urban Indoor Recreation Grant, not to exceed $150,000. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

9. **Resolutions 2026-083:** Discussion and possible action regarding approving rules for the electronic receipt of bids or proposals.

RESOLUTION 2026-083: Motion by Travis VanBibber and seconded by Joe Patterson to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-083** approving rules for the electronic receipt of bids or proposals; making findings; and providing for an effective date.

10. **Resolution 2026-084:** Discussion and possible action regarding the Building Standards Commission recommendation.

RESOLUTION 2026-084: Motion by Greg Casey and seconded by Jon Salter to **APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-084** to secure and abate the nuisances on the property located at 1102 St Louis Street and begin the process to demolish the structures located at 410 S 14th Street using option 2. If option 2 becomes unavailable, option 1 is acceptable.

11. **Ordinance 2026-12:** Discussion and possible action to amend Chapter 48 regarding fire hydrants and on-site sewage facilities. *2nd Reading*

Councilman Patterson asked about exceptions. Ms. Owens explained that there are exceptions noted in the ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2026-12: Motion by Kalinda Westbrook and seconded by Travis VanBibber to **PASS ORDINANCE 2026-12**, amending Chapter 48 of the City of Gatesville Code of Ordinances to the next meeting, second reading. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

12. **Ordinance 2026-13:** Discussion and possible action to amend Chapter 54 regarding parking in city owned lots and time limit parking. *2nd Reading*

ORDINANCE 2026-13: Motion by Travis VanBibber and seconded by Aaron Smith to **PASS ORDINANCE 2026-13**, amending Chapter 54 of the City of Gatesville Code of Ordinances to the next meeting, second reading. All six voting "Aye", motion passed, 6-0-0.

13. **Ordinance 2026-14:** Discussion and possible action to consider a Zoning Change and Variance for El Elyon Estates located at 301 Cedar Ridge Road. *1st Reading*

Pedro Quintero came forward to answer any questions regarding the development.

Councilwoman Westbrook asked if the garages would be forward facing and if they would be one or two car garages. Mr. Quintero stated the garages would be forward facing and 2 car garages.

Mr. Quintero stated that the variance requests are market driven and this model has been proven to succeed in other communities.

ORDINANCE 2026-14: Motion by Joe Patterson and seconded by Kalinda Westbrook to **PASS ORDINANCE 2026-14**, considering the request for the El Elyon Estates development, establishing Residential Single-Family zoning for the residential lots and Business Commercial zoning for the commercial lots as presented and consider the requested residential setback variances reducing the front setback rom 25 feet to 20 feet and the interior side setback from 6 feet to 5 feet, first reading.

14. Fiscal Year 26-27 Budget update; Discussion only.

No action was taken.

15. City Council **adjourned** at **7:00 P.M.**

G Chumley

Mayor, Gary Chumley

ATTEST:

H Owens

City Secretary, Holly Owens

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