

**CITY OF INGLESIDE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2025**

Opening Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order.

The Regular City Council Meeting of the City of Ingleside was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Long at 6:30 p.m. on April 22, 2025, at City Hall 2671 San Angelo Ave., Ingleside, TX and live video streaming.

2. Roll Call.

With Council Members present, at roll call, a quorum was established.

Council Members Present: Steve Diehl, Stewart Wilson, David Pruitt, Mayor Pro-Tem Tracy Long, and Julio Salinas.

Council Members Absent: John Salinas and Mayor Adame.

3. Invocation.

Council Member Pruitt led the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Long led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag.

Council Member John Salinas joined the meeting at 6:32 p.m. via Zoom.

5. Citizen Comments and Reports.

Sarah Crumbley, 2480 Henrietta, addressed the Council about Mustang Drive, suggesting that it be considered a one-way street during certain hours similar to GJM Elementary school hours, and explained how the traffic has been on Mustang Drive.

Courtney Shane, 2184 Capeheart St., addressed the Council about extending an invitation to Council Members and citizens to attend the next County Republican Party meeting taking place in June, and suggested to start doing the Pledge of Texas after the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Long asked City Manager Lewis who is responsible for traffic control, with a response that the Chief of Police can look at the traffic and change it by Ordinance.

6. Staff Comments and Reports.

a. Council Comments and Reports.

Council Member Diehl commented on the citizens' responsibility to vote, and to thank the City Staff for all they do before and after the Council Meetings.

b. Announcements of Community Interest and/or upcoming events.

No discussion was held on this matter.

c. City of Ingleside expenditures paid over \$3,000.00 for the period of March 2025.

No discussion was held on this matter.

d. City of Ingleside monthly financial report as of March 2025.

No discussion was held on this matter.

e. Report on the Proposed Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

Discussion was held between Council Members and City Manager Lewis about the Proposed Budget Calendar being a working document, possible dates for budget talks, and changing the May 10th date so incoming Council Members can take part.

f. Report on awareness of vaping.

Discussion was held between Council Members and Chief of Police Molina about the awareness of vaping, curfew ordinance taken away due to State Law, schools helping the School Resource Officers with vaping issues, THC and Hemp not being regulated, vape pens tend to be over the 0.03 levels and becomes a felony, feedback from the public, and kids being bombarded with peer pressure.

g. Report on current development projects.

Director of Development Services Rodriguez gave a report on current development projects.

Presentations

7. Proclamation to recognize the 56th Anniversary of Municipal Clerks Week May 4 – May 10, 2025.

Mayor Pro-Tem Long presented a proclamation to City Secretary Jana Stork and Administrative Assistant Elisabeth Staton and proclaimed the week of May 4 through May 10, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week.

Consent Agenda

8. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 08, 2025.

Motion: Council Member Pruitt made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Council Member Julio Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

Public Hearing

No Public Hearing was presented for this meeting.

Regular Agenda

9. Deliberate and take appropriate action on Article XI. Fences Sec. 18-405. Screening as it relates to Starbucks Development Project.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, City Attorney McCann, and Director of Development Services Rodriguez about the assurances from Starbucks, timeline of construction, solid screening of four (4) to five (5) foot planting, what is stated in the document being presented to Council is what is being voted on, look at ordinances but cannot condition zoning, and would like a report at the next Regular City Council Meeting.

Cynthia Wilson, 2635 San Angelo Ave, made a citizen comment.

No Action Taken.

10. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the purchase of Stalker Street Dynamics Radars through BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative.

Discussion was held between the Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Chief of Police Molina about using the radars as message boards during events, the radars calculating data, using Hotel Motel Funds, public awareness, the purchase for four (4) radars would equal approximately \$80,000, solar powered radars, and the reoccurring cost for updates.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to approve the purchase of Stalker Street Dynamics Radars. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

11. Deliberate and take appropriate action on an Ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget for the City of Ingleside, Texas, Vehicle & Equipment Capital Fund for the appropriation of funds for the cost of Stalker Street Dynamic Radars.

Proposed Ordinance 2025-14.

No discussion was held on this matter.

Motion: Council Member Diehl made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-14, an Ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget for the City of Ingleside, Texas, Vehicle & Equipment Capital Fund for the appropriation of funds for the cost of Stalker Street Dynamic Radars. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

12. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the first amendment of water tower lease agreement with GTEK.

Discussion was held between Council Members and City Manager Lewis about the first amendment to the water tower lease agreement being like the SystemSeven amendment, and charging the company a monthly fee.

Motion: Council Member Pruitt made a motion to approve the first amendment of the GTEK water tower lease agreement. Council Member Julio Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

13. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the approval of the Animal Control Facility Final Change Order.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredes about the change order of the Animal Control Facility, reconciling funds, and the final change order amount being \$23,393.31.

Motion: Council Member Pruitt made a motion to approve the final change order for the Animal Control Facility. Council Member John Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

14. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the approval of final pay application and project closeout on the Animal Control Facility

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredes about the final pay application and project closeout of the Animal Control Facility, total amount adding up to \$89,988.70, and any more spending will now be budgeted items.

Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas made a motion to approve the Animal Control Facility final pay application and project closeout. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

15. Deliberate and take appropriate action for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to negotiate with 6S Engineering, Inc. in response to the Requests for Qualifications (RFQ’s) for Cove Park Improvements.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about having one (1) submittal for the RFQ, property swap being looked over by legal, and improvements that are looking to be completed at Cove Park.

Jess Swaim, Project Manager for 6S Engineering, introduced himself to Council Members and citizens.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate with 6S Engineering for Cove Park Improvements. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

16. Deliberate and take appropriate action on awarding a contract to Bell’s Air Conditioning & Heating for a new generator at the Animal Control Facility.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about the project being closed out, the oversight of getting a generator for the facility, being budgeted through Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), three (3) other City buildings on priority list to get backup generators (Library, Humble Youth Center, and Municipal Court), and the generator being the first to start using the budgeted funds.

Motion: Council Member Diehl made a motion to award a contract to Bell’s Air Conditioning & Heating for a new generator at the Animal Control Facility. Council Member John Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried 5:1.

For Motion: Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member John Salinas, and Mayor Pro-Tem Long

Against Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas

Council proceeded with Agenda Item 17.

Rescinded Motion: Council Member Diehl made a motion to rescind the previous motion for Agenda Item 16. Council Member John Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried 5:0:1.

For Motion: Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member John Salinas, and Mayor Pro-Tem Long

Against Motion: None

Absent: Council Member Julio Salinas (stepped away from the dais)

Council Member Julio Salinas returned to the dais at 8:35 p.m.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about extended warranty bringing the cost to \$42,678.21, City employees digging the trenches instead of the company, and requesting an annual maintenance.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to award a contract to Bell’s Air Conditioning & Heating for a new generator at the Animal Control Facility, and to

include a ten (10) year extended warranty and maintenance contract. Council Member Diehl seconded the motion. Motion carried 5:1.

For Motion: Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member John Salinas, and Mayor Pro-Tem Long

Against Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas

17. Deliberate and take appropriate action on awarding a contract to McWhorters Electric, Inc. for a new generator at the N.O. Simmons elevated storage tank (EST).

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about recent power outages along Highway 361, N.O. Simmons Parks being a main point for communications, water tower holding access for communications in the City, oversight when the water tower was built, annual maintenance, and adding the ten (10) year extended warranty.

Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas made a motion to table awarding a contract to McWhorters Electric, Inc. for a new generator at the N.O Simmons elevated storage tank (EST). Motion died from lack of second.

Further discussion took place between Council Members, City Manager Lewis and Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez about which funds were going to be used.

Motion: Council Member Pruitt made a motion to award a contract to McWhorters Electric for a generator at N.O. Simmons elevated storage tank, and to include 10-year extended warranty and annual maintenance. Council Member Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5:1.

For Motion: Council Member Diehl, Council Member Wilson, Council Member Pruitt, Council Member John Salinas, and Mayor Pro-Tem Long

Against Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas

Council requested to go back and discuss Agenda Item 16, where the original motion was rescinded. Council Member Julio Salinas stepped away from the dais at 8:32 p.m.

18. Deliberate and take appropriate action on a Resolution of the City Council of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, approving the waiver of pet adoption fees and microchipping fees at the Ingleside Pet Adoption Event occurring on April 26, 2025, at N.O. Simmons Park during the Ingleside Market Day Event.

Proposed Resolution 2025-12.

No discussion was held on this matter.

Motion: Council Member Julio Salinas made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-12, a Resolution of the City Council of Ingleside, San Patricio County, Texas, approving the waiver of pet adoption fees and microchipping fees at the Ingleside Pet Adoption Event occurring on April 26, 2025, at N.O. Simmons Park during the Ingleside Market Day Event. Council Member Diehl seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

19. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the special use permit request for Texas Coast Youth Soccer League for the use of football and soccer fields at N.O. Simmons Park on May 30-31, 2025.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, Director of Infrastructure Services Paredez, and Texas Coast Youth Soccer League President Crain about the tournament that is coming in and possibly having 300 to 400 kids playing in the tournament.

Motion: Council Member John Salinas made a motion to approve the special use permit for the Texas Youth Soccer League to use the football and soccer fields at N.O. Simmons Park on May 30-31, 2025. Council Member Julio Salinas seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

20. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the special use permit request for Texas Coast Youth Soccer League for the use of football and soccer fields at N.O. Simmons Park on August 1-2, 2025.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, Director of Infrastructure Services, and Texas Coast Youth Soccer League President Crain about pulling the special use permit request due to conflicts in scheduling with the organizer.

No Action Taken.

21. Deliberate and take appropriate action on a Resolution to designate a City employee for the purposes of administering Minor Plats, Amending Plats and Vacating Plats Per Section 54-92 of the City Code of Ordinances.

Proposed Resolution 2025-13.

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, and Director of Development Services Rodriguez about the Code of Ordinance Section 54-92 being discussed, and having it state City employee instead of Building Official.

Motion: Mayor Pro-Tem Long made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-13, a Resolution to designate a City employee for the purposes of administering Minor Plats, Amending Plats and Vacating Plats Per Section 54-92 of the City Code of Ordinances. Council Member Pruitt seconded the motion. Motion carried with all present voting in favor.

Council Member John Salinas, via Zoom, left the meeting at 8:58 p.m.

22. Deliberate and take appropriate action on the status of 1350 Indian Trail, Ingleside, TX (BURTON & DANFORTH SUBD BLK F, PT OF FARM LOT 2 (6.071 ACRES)).

Discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, Director of Development Services Rodriguez about the status of 1350 Indian Trail.

Property owners, Sarah and Victor Polanco, gave a presentation about what they have gone through from the beginning to present day.

Further discussion was held between Council Members, City Manager Lewis, Director of Development Services Rodriguez and the property owners about what the current situation is of the property, what is currently on the property, what is specifically being requested, Ordinances changing, conflicts between City Ordinances and State statute, recommending the attorney to look over current Ordinances, and having a meeting between all parties with an update brought back in the future.

No Action Taken.

Executive Session

23. Closed Session

City Council will meet in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- A. Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) deliberations regarding the contract and appointment of interim municipal judge for the Ingleside Municipal Court of Record.**

- B. Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) regarding the process and procedures concerning procurement and bid proposals and related legal issues.**

At 9:28 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem Long convened the Ingleside City Council into a closed session pursuant to provision of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) deliberations regarding the contract and appointment of interim municipal judge for the Ingleside Municipal Court of Record and Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) regarding the process and procedures concerning procurement and bid proposals and related legal issues.

24. Open Session

City council will reconvene in Open Session at which time action on the matter(s) discussed in Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- A. Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) deliberations regarding the contract and appointment of interim municipal judge for the Ingleside Municipal Court of Record.**
- B. Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) regarding the process and procedures concerning procurement and bid proposals and related legal issues.**

At 9:47 p.m. Mayor Pro-Tem Long reconvened the Ingleside City Council into an open session pursuant to provision of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to take any action necessary related to the executive session noted herein, or regular agenda items, noted above, and/or related items.

Item A: No Action Taken.

Item B: No Action Taken.

Closing Agenda

25. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

Council Member Julio Salinas requested City buildings to be assessed for back up generators with funding, and traffic status on Mustang Drive.

26. Adjourn.

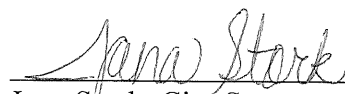
Mayor Pro-Tem Long adjourned the regular meeting of the City of Ingleside at 9:51 p.m.

APPROVED:



Pedro Oscar Adame, Mayor

ATTEST:



Jana Stork, City Secretary