

Minutes

City Council – Regular City Council Meeting

CITY OF SIMONTON

February 18, 2025

This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the City Council – Regular Meeting of the Simonton City Council held on February 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

A quorum was present with the following City Council Members in attendance:
Kelli Carlson, Courtney Cox, Laurie Boudreaux, Faith Haley, Justin Boudreau and Burns Turner

City Staff present:

City Attorney Philip Boedeker
City Secretary Nanci Mohr
City Finance Julie Watts

Public Present:

Dan McJunkin, Eric M. Duhon, Roxanna Petrovic, Tihomir Petrovic, Louise Plowman, CJ Ferguson, Susan LaDart and Angela King.

2. Invocation and Pledge

Mayor Boudreaux gave the invocation.
Mayor Boudreaux led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments

None.

4. Consider and take action on the Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule occurs when a Council Member requests one or more items removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

a. Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of January 28, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Discussion regarding signers on checking account, a check possibly written to Making the Cut and reconciliation reports. City Attorney Philip Boedeker stated that as these items are not on tonight's agenda, they will need to be revisited in a later meeting.

Motion by Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox to table items (b) - (f) below. Discussion regarding taking agenda items in order.

Motion by Council Member Justin Boudreaux to approve January 28, 2025 Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Kelli Carlson.

Ayes: Five

Noes: None

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Revenue and Expense Report – October 2024.

Motion by Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox to table Revenue and Expense Report – October 2024. Motion dies. No action taken.

- c. Revenue and Expense Report – November 2024.

Motion by Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox to table Revenue and Expense Report – November 2024. Motion dies. No action taken.

- d. Council Report – December 2024.

No action taken.

- e. Payment Report – December 2024.

No action taken.

- f. Revenue and Expense Report – December 2024.

No action taken.

5. **New Business**

- a. Consider and take action to appoint one new member to the Keep Simonton Beautiful Commission.

KSB Commission Member Angela King stated that KSB voted to appoint Louise Plowman to the Board.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to appoint one new member to the Keep Simonton Beautiful Commission. Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreaux.

Ayes: Five

Noes: None

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Consider and take action regarding an addition for meeting minutes to Resolution No. 2025-01: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Simonton, Texas, Adopting the Amended Rules and Procedures Related to City Council Deliberations and Public Comment During City Council Meetings.

Discussion was held regarding the difference between current Resolution No. 2023-01 and proposed new Resolution No. 2025-01.

Motion by Council Member Burns Turner to adopt Resolution No. 2025-01.
Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreaux.

Ayes: Four

Noes: None

Abstain: One (C. Cox)

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed.

- c. Consider and take action regarding City Hall Project Revision.

Discussion regarding ADA restroom requirement due to seating capacity on Council Chambers and why it was not included in the original plans. Discussion regarding whether the project was bonded and protected; Shanna O'Hara of LJA Engineering confirmed same. Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox stated that an ADA restroom is required in all buildings. Ms. O'Hara clarified that an ADA restroom is required in new construction, not in buildings that have been grandfathered. Ms. O'Hara stated that enlarging the Council space and movement of the door triggered the requirement for the ADA restroom. Discussion regarding architectural plans and when larger chambers was previously approved. Discussion regarding costs and who is responsible for the additional expenses required for ADA compliance.

Motion by Council Member/ Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox to table City Hall Project Revisions. Motion seconded by Council Member Faith Haley.

Ayes: Two (Cox and Haley)

Noes: Three (Carlson, Boudreau and Turner)

Abstain: None

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion failed.

Motion by Council Member/ Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox to take no action. City Attorney Phil Boedker stated that this is the same motion. Motion died. No action.

Motion/question by Council Member Faith Haley to revisit the issue pending inspection.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to adopt City Hall Project Revisions not to exceed \$24,959. Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreaux.

Ayes: Two (Carlson and Boudreau)

Noes: Two (Cox and Turner)

Abstain: One (Haley); changed to no

City Attorney Philip Boedeker stated that there was a tie. Council Member Faith Haley changed her vote from "abstain" to "no."

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.
Motion failed.

- d. Consider and take action to adopt the Code of Ordinances.

Mayoral explanation of updates to codes. City Attorney Phil Boedeker stated that any code revisions from February 2024 to the present will be included.

Motion by Council Member Burns Turner to adopt the final Code of Ordinances. Motion seconded by Council Member Faith Haley.

Ayes: Five

Noes: None

Abstain:

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

- e. Receive report regarding CenterPoint Energy Resiliency Plan Application.

No action required – update only.

- f. Consider and take action regarding proposed temporary road repair on Hondo Road.

Discussion regarding whole road replacement versus repair and length of time that this road has been on the repair list.

Motion by Council Member Burns Turner to repair Hondo Road. Motion seconded by Council Member Kelli Carlson.

Ayes: Five

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

- g. Consider and take action regarding January 2025 Revenue Management Services Report.

Presentation by Ryan Fortner of Revenue Management Services.

Motion by Council Member Faith Haley to approve January 2025 Revenue Management Services Report. Motion seconded by Council Member/ Mayor Pro Tem Courtney Cox.

Ayes: Five

Noes: None

Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. Adjourn to Executive Session

Section 551.071 - Consultation with Legal Counsel

Council did not adjourn the meeting

7. Reconvene to Open Session - Council did not reconvene

8. Consider and take action resulting from Executive Session – None.

9. Reports

a. Mayor

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report that Regional Flood Mitigation Program is moving slowly but progressing and that she will keep Council updated; update regarding the meeting with KP George's staff regarding USPS mapping and emergency response system revisions regarding addresses; updates forthcoming regarding buy-out lots for 2026 budgeting purposes; they will work to keep TxDOT moving forward with intersection project.

b. City Staff – None.

c. City Attorney – City Attorney Phil Boedeker will work with City Secretary Nanci Mohr to clean up eCode revisions and updates.

d. City Council – None.

10. Next City Council Meeting date is scheduled for March 18, 2025.

11. Adjournment

Mayor Boudreaux adjourned the City Council Meeting at 7:33 p.m. without objection.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Boudreaux

Mayor Laurie Boudreaux

Nanci Mohr

Nanci Mohr, City Secretary

