

**Minutes**

City Council – Regular City Council Meeting

CITY OF SIMONTON

March 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 March 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:**

Eric M. Duhon, Dan McJunkin, CJ Ferguson, Susan LaDart, Barbara Minton, Von Contreras 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**

Susan LaDart spoke regarding the cost of attorneys' fees.

**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 February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting.

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

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to approve February 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau.

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 Kelli Carlson to approve Revenue and Expense Report – October 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Burns Turner.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)  
Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)  
Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.  
Motion passed.

c. Revenue and Expense Report – November 2024.

Motion by Council Member Justin Boudreau to approve Revenue and Expense Report – November 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Kelli Carlson.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)  
Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)  
Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.  
Motion passed.

d. Council Report – December 2024.

Discussion regarding Peacock and Media charges.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to approve Council Report – December 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)  
Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)  
Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.  
Motion passed.

e. Payment Report (Income) – December 2024.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to approve Payment Report (Income) – December 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Burns Turner.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)  
Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)  
Present and not voting except in the event of a tie: Mayor Boudreaux.  
Motion passed.

f. Revenue and Expense Report – December 2024.

Motion by Council Member Justin Boudreau to approve Revenue and Expense Report – December 2024. Motion seconded by Council Member Kelli Carlson.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)

Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)

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

Motion passed.

g. Council Report – January 2025.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to approve Council Report – January 2025. Motion seconded by Council Member Justin Boudreau.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)

Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)

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

Motion passed.

h. Payment Report (Income) – January 2025.

Motion by Council Member Kelli Carlson to approve Payment Report (Income) – January 2025. Motion seconded by Council Member Burns Turner.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)

Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)

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

Motion passed.

i. Revenue and Expense Report – January 2025.

Discussion regarding three electricity accounts paid by the City.

Motion by Council Member Justin Boudreau to approve Revenue and Expense Report – January 2025. Motion seconded by Council Member Kelli Carlson.

Ayes: Three (Carlson, Turner, Boudreau)

Noes: Two (Haley, Cox)

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

Motion passed.

**5. New Business**

- a. Receive report regarding Texas General Land Office Regional Mitigation Program Grant.

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report regarding the “MIT MOD” grant award (eligibility letter) received by the City of Simonton from the General Land Office in the amounts of \$916,562.50 (roadway replacement) and \$642,537.50 (drainage).

- b. Receive report, consider and take action regarding City Hall expansion/ARPA projects.

Discussion regarding the recommendation to suspend ADA-required modifications to the restroom, or in the alternative, to modify the restroom door-swing and continue City Hall Renovations.

Motion by Council Member Faith Haley to approve to continue City Hall renovations, including the door swing modifications for the ADA-required restroom. Motion seconded by Council Member Burns Turner.

Ayes: Five

Noes:

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

Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Consider and take action regarding Ordinance No. 2025-01 An Ordinance of the City of Simonton Ordering an Election for the Purpose of Electing Three (3) At Large Council Members.

Motion by Council Member Justin Boudreau to approve Ordinance No. 2025-01 An Ordinance of the City of Simonton Ordering an Election for the Purpose of Electing Three (3) At Large Council Members. Motion seconded by Council Member Faith Haley.

Ayes: Five

Noes:

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

Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Receive report regarding water well pump and motor replacement.

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report regarding the City Hall water well pump and motor replacement and cost regarding same.

- e. Receive report regarding CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC for Approval to Amend its Distribution Cost Recovery Factor.

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report stating the recommendation is for the City to take no action on CenterPoint Energy’s application.

- f. Receive report regarding CenterPoint Energy 2025 Annual GRIP Adjustment for Houston, Texas Coast, South Texas and Beaumont/East Texas Geographic Rate Areas.

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report stating that the recommendation is to suspend the effective date of the adjustment for 45 days to delay the increase and to show CenterPoint Energy that the City is engaged and willing to use its original jurisdiction.

- g. Receive report regarding Public Utility Commission of Texas 2025 Consumer Price Index (CPI) Adjustment to Municipal Telecommunications Right-of-Way Access Line Rates.

Mayor Boudreaux reviewed the report with Council and received consensus to approve the CPI adjusted rate.

- h. Consider and take action to approve adding Nanci Mohr to City Credit Card Account.

Motion by Council Member Faith Haley to approve adding Nanci Mohr to the City Credit Card. Motion seconded by Council Member Burns Turner.

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 at 7:32 p.m.**

*Section 551.071 - Consultation with Legal Counsel*

**7. Reconvene to Open Session at 8:01 p.m.**

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

**9. Reports**

*a. Mayor*

Mayor Boudreaux provided a report that she will be meeting with TxDot regarding bridge replacement in Valley Lodge. She stated that Texas Pride has notified the City of a residential rate increase and that customers will be notified directly. Mayor Boudreaux stated the Just Ride for a Just Cause event will take place this Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 8:30-3:30 and to avoid the rider's trail. There were no EDC updates, and the Fort Bend County buy-out lot program is pending. Mayor Boudreaux gave special thanks to Twinwood for their sponsorship of Keep Simonton Beautiful. Mayor Boudreaux concluded by saying that early voting begins on April 22, 2025 and that the closest Fort Bend County polling places are at ESD #4/Fire Station and the Fulshear Library.

- b. *City Staff* – None.
- c. *City Attorney* – None.
- d. *City Council* – None.

Council Member Kelli ~~Matula-~~ Carlson stated that Trash Off will take place on Saturday, March 29, 2025 and for volunteers to meet at City Hall at 9:00 a.m. She stated that approval has been received from Daly Park to host Spring Round Up. There will not be a tent fee (saving KSB \$3,500.), and no fee charged for the use of Daly Park. There will be a Battle of the Badges baseball game, a car show, and additional vendors and food trucks at Round Up.

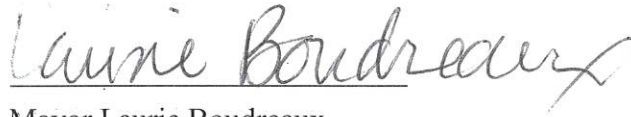
Council Member Faith Haley requested that the contracts with Revenue Management Services (RMS) and Granicus, EDC Reports, and roadwork priorities be added to the next meeting's agenda.

**10. Next City Council Meeting date is scheduled for April 15, 2025.**

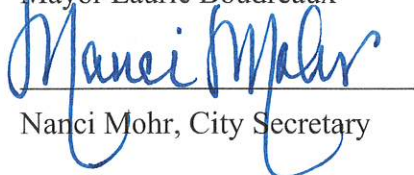
**11. Adjournment**

Mayor Boudreaux adjourned the City Council Meeting at 8:09 p.m. without objection.

**Respectfully submitted,**



Mayor Laurie Boudreaux



Nanci Mohr, City Secretary

