CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
June 15, 2026

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor, Connie Koopmann, Alderwoman, Kathy Kleiber, Aldermen, Greg Thomas, Frank Wick III, Roger Moellenberndt, and Randy Mican. City staff present included City Administrator, Tami Walker, Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, Finance Director, Kenny Schramek, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Darrell Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Planning and Zoning Chairperson, Tina Bohlmann, Reverend Andrew E. Stafford, Clarence Steward, James E. Jones Jr., Scott Gresham with the Schulenburg Festival Association, Callene Zapalac, Reid Janda, Ben, Kristin, and Caden Herzik, and Michael Ohnheiser.

Mayor Koopmann called role. Reverend Stafford said a prayer over the meeting and its members. Mayor Koopmann led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Under Presentations, Proclamations, and Recognitions, Mayor Koopmann read a proclamation in recognition of Juneteenth and Council took a picture with several leaders in the African American Community.

Mayor Koopmann read a proclamation in recognition of the 250th Anniversary of American Independence.

Mayor Koopmann read a proclamation in recognition of Caden Herzik for reaching the 2A UIL State Tennis Tournament.

Mayor Koopmann read a proclamation in recognition of Reid Janda for reaching the 2A UIL State Golf Tournament. Mayor and Council then took a photo with both student athletes.

Alderman Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wick, to accept Consent Agenda Items A and B. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Minutes from the Regular Scheduled Council Meeting held on June 1st, 2026.
B. Payment of Current Bills.

Ms. Walker invited Justine Markowski with PGAL to present to Council on entering into a contract with PGAL to provide engineering and architectural services for the remodel of City Hall (535 N. Main).

Ms. Markowski stated that she was going to present the following:

- Review Test Fits and Concept Designs
- Review Contractor Delivery Methods
- Review of Update Project Budget
- Review of Updated Project Schedule

She displayed two options of test fits. These test fits are concepts that can be modified by staff. Option 1 has the elevator to the left of the lobby with the Council Chambers upstairs in the back of the building. Option 2 has the elevator in the center of the lobby with the Council Chambers upstairs in the front of the building. Both options have the back ad on (the old Multipurpose Rom) removed.

Ms. Markowski went over the Contractor Delivery Methods of:

- Design, Bid, Build
- Competitive Sealed Proposal
- Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR)

PGAL recommends the CMAR method.

The estimated project budget is between $5,971,323.22 and $7,175,010.24. That's $559.07 - $671.77 per square foot. This included "soft costs" (fees, furniture, etc.)

Alderman Mican asked if there was going to be any major repairs to the flooring. Ms. Markoski answered that a small number of repairs will be necessary, but all those costs are included.

Ms. Walker interjected that replacing the sidewalks are also figured in. the current pebble sidewalks are a safety hazard, especially when wet.

Ms. Markowski concluded that if planning began soon, that phase would last between 6/22/26 and 2/26/27 with construction estimated to last between 5/17/27 through 5/26/2028.

Alderwoman Kleiber stated that she wished for this item to be placed on the agenda, and she is encouraging Council to enter into a contract so work can begin.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to enter into a contract with PGAL to provide engineering and architectural services for the remodel of City Hall (535 N. Main). The motion passed unanimously.

Planning and Zoning Commission Chairperson, Tina Bohlmann, led discussion on issuing a Conditional Use Permit on the residential property located at 1213 Kallus Street, Schulenburg, Texas to place a RV for the purpose of temporary residence in order to have time for a property replat and mobile home placement.

Ms. Bohlmann explained that the committee met on June 2nd. She elaborated that the family had not split the property yet, it could be a while since they are dealing with attorneys to get everything straight. All the family members in attendance at the hearing are in favor of the RV being on the land. There were no neighbors in attendance in opposition.

Ms. Bohlmann added that the property is in the Mobile Home District, and the Commission recommends issuing a conditional use permit to place an RV on the property for up to two years.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wick, to accept P and Z's recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Koopmann invited Stanley Pesek, with the Schulenburg Knights of Columbus, to present a Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund Request for the Schulenburg Festival Softball Tournament.

Mr. Pesek stated that the KC's are asking for $8,000. The funds would fund the co-ed and men's tournament (The Festival pays for the women's tournament; the KCs just run the tournament). The funds raised are donated to St. Rose School Athletics.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kleiber, to bestow the $8,000 to the Schulenburg KCs. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Koopmann invited Scott Gresham, President of the Schulenburg Festival Association to lead discussion on a Hotel Occupancy Tax Fund Request from the Schulenburg Festival Association.

Mr. Gresham stated that the HOT Funds request of $60,188 will go towards this year's Kid Zone, and increase in advertising including social media.

Mr. Gresham also informed Council that the main bleachers on the West side of the Rodeo Arena are unsafe. Most support beams are rusted out and need to be demolished. The Festival have secured temporary bleachers from a bleacher rental company. that will cost the Festival an additional $6,600.

Being an active member on the Festival Association, Alderman Wick announced he was abstaining from the vote.

Alderman Mican asked if the City had enough to cover the bleachers. Ms. Walker answered that the Polka Museum is no longer an operating entity in town. We budgeted $6,000 for them.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt to grant HOT Funds in the amount of $66,838.

Mayor Koopmann asked how much was budgeted for Festival. Ms. Walker replied $60,000.

Alderman Mican amended his motion to grant the Festival $66,000 in HOT Funds. There was a second by Alderman Moellenberndt. The motion passed 4-0 with Alderman Wick abstaining.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mican to take no action on the request of $60,188, and the allotment of $66,838. That motion passed 4-0 with Alderman Wick abstaining.

Mayor Koopmann led discussion on Mayoral Appointments to replace vacated positions on boards and committees.

Mayor Koopmann announced that there are a few vacancies including two left by former Councilmember Ahlschlager.

Mayor Koopmann announced that she would like to see Alderman Mican replace Former Alderman Clarence Ahlschlager on the EDC Board. Alderman Mican obliged.

Mayor Koopmann stated that Senior Connections reached out to her and they would like to see Alderwoman Kleiber on their board. Alderwoman Kleiber said she'd be happy to serve.

Mayor Koopmann announced that Jarrod "Buck" Schramek no longer lives in the Schulenburg area and will have to be removed from the Parks and Rec Committee. She stated that staff is working on contacting SISD coaches and Little League Representatives to join the board.

The Housing Authority Board also has a vacancy with Rose Woods passing away. At this time, Linda Veselka, Housing Authority Chairperson, has not named a replacement.

Mayor entertained a motion for replacing Former Alderman Clarence Ahlschlager and when the other replacements are named, they will be on the agenda.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to accept the Mayoral Appointments of Alderman Mican joining the EDC Board and Alderwoman Kleiber joining the Senior Connections Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on setting Budget Workshop dates for the preparation of the FY2026-2027.

Ms. Walker announced that she is looking for at least 4 dates so that staff and Council can adequately prepare a balanced budget. She added that the Appraisal District won't have certified totals until July 25th.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt to set the Budget Workshop dates for July 22, 23, and 28th, and August 5th. All meetings starting at 5:00 P.M. and all meetings to be held in the Council Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Under Mayor's Comments, Mayor Koopmann had none.

Alderman Wick extended a thank you to Kenny as he takes the role as Finance Director and prepares for the upcoming budget.

Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller's report was in Council's Packets.

City Administrator, Tami Walker reported that she looked into the burning of the limbs and yard waste and stated that TCEQ has to approve and the City cannot burn more than once every two months.

She also reported that she attended training through TML, and her and staff are going through the transition with Huntington Bank.

Ms. Walker approached Council about purchasing Christmas decorations. The vendor the City has been in contact with currently has a sale until June 30th. Prices for each banner that go across the two entries to town on 77 and hang above N. Main, range between $3,300 and $3,800, but are 20% off though June 30th. Ms. Walker reminded Council that the City budgeted $30,000 for Christmas decorations.

Mayor and Council directed Ms. Walker to make the Christmas decoration purchases as long as the total price doesn't exceed $30,000.

Ms. Walker concluded, City Staff has been working hard with being an employee down. However, an offer was extended to a finalist for the Front Desk Representative position.

At 8:18, Council adjourned into an Executive Session pursuant to Local Government Code 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) located at 605 Upton Avenue.

Council adjourned out of Executive Session at 8:51. Council directed staff to continue researching what was discussed in Executive Session.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to adjourn the meeting at 8:52. The motion passed unanimously.