

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
August 4, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in a Budget Workshop on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 5:03 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor Pro-Tem, Kathy Kleiber, Aldermen, Greg Thomas, Frank Wick III, Randy Mican, and Roger Moellenberndt. City staff present included City Administrator, Tami Walker, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, Finance Director, Kenny Schramek, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included SVFD Chief, Darren Guentert and First Assistant Chief, Drew Brossmann, Jeanine Ulrich, and Lisa Rolirod.

Mayor Pro-Tem Kleiber called the workshop to order and invited SVFD Chief Darren Guentert and Drew Brossmann to present to Council.

Major items discussed included

- \$65,000 for a SCBA compressor to refill air tanks, this prevents bad gases from entering the tanks. It will be inspected once a quarter
- Building improvements are budgeted at \$30,000. \$18,000 of that is to replace tin on the southeast corner of the Meeting Room
- The Department received a grant for \$25,000. That will go to an industrial washer and dryer to wash bunker gear

Mayor Koopmann entered Council Chambers at 5:11 and took her seat at the Dais.

Chief of Police, Troy Brenek addressed Council.

A major topic included \$400,000 for building improvements. \$80,000 will be to secure all the doors via access control. Chief is also going out for bids on windows, ventilation, and the ceiling, and possibly painting the exterior of the building.

He announced that the 287(g) funds will be shown as revenue, and go towards two vehicles.

Alderman Wick stated that he is opposed to spending \$400,000.

Mayor Koopmann inquired about the \$14,000 for Gardenia Janssen. Chief Answered that the agreement is good for the next 3 years. That price is up 100 Animals per year. After that, the City will be charged \$100 per animal.

Chief circled back to the building improvements. There was a general consensus to budget \$300,000 and concentrate on ventilation over the windows and painting.

Chief concluded that the department is anticipating \$842,500 in 287 (g) funds as revenue.

Under Governing Body, Ms. Walker informed Council that \$21,400 can be scratched because the Bond Counsel Call is not necessary. However, with the possibility of an additional election, the City will need to budget an extra \$10,000 to \$15,000 for election expenses.

Ms. Walker announced that the way the budget sits right now, there is approximate \$21,000,000 in expenditures with approximately \$17,000,000 in revenue.

The following cuts were presented to Council:

- Herder Street repair project
- Highway 90 sewer project cut by \$1,000,000
- Generators for \$118,000
- Sports Complex shed for \$60,000
- Christmas Lights cut from \$50,000 to \$25,000
- Civic Center cut by \$50,000
- Sprinklers for \$86,000
- Sports Complex lawnmower for \$20,000
- PD Building Improvements down to \$100,000
- Rodeo Arena Improvements for \$50,000
- Chip seal from \$300,000 to \$200,000
- Digger Truck from 3 payments to 5 (\$130,000 down to \$76,000)

Ms. Walker recommended that the workshop wrap up for the night. Staff will update all the sheets with the mentioned cuts and reconvene tomorrow.

Alderman Moellenbendt made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to adjourn the workshop at 8:16. The motion passed unanimously.