

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
August 17, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in a Budget Workshop on Monday, August 17, 2026, at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor Connie Koopmann, Aderwoman, 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 Ona Marak and Eamon McCourt.

Mayor Koopmann called role.

Ms. Walker announced that after additional cuts, and now officially receiving certified totals from the Appraisal District, the budget is balanced at \$18,516,091. That total included a surplus of \$197,480. At the moment, this amount is earmarked in Office and Management, with the uncertainty with City Hall and a potential election.

Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, announced to Council more cuts that staff included since the last workshop.

Sports Complex – Herbicide, insecticide, and red dirt

Street – Curbing cut another \$25,000, engineering on Herder removed, barricades and cone replacement reduced to \$5,000

Sewer – Engineering down to \$10,000, \$508,000 Klesel project cut, engineering at Babylon cut, and \$65,000 for pick-up truck cut

Ms. Walker announced that the EDC committed \$205,000 towards the new Rodeo Arena. With the City's \$100,000 (budgeted in this current year) the difference is \$50,000. The Festival Association will pay \$10,000 a year for 5 years for the remainder of the project.

Alderman Mican inquired about the salary in Sports Complex. Ms. Walker explained that multiple employees' salaries are split between several departments. For example, Darryl's salary is spread amongst 7 departments.

Ona Marak, on behalf of her daughter's non-profit, And Then A New Day, asked about their request. Mayor Koopmann responded that the City was not making any donations to non-profits this budget year. The City also doesn't pay for non-profits utilities. However, some organizations are housed in City owned buildings.

Eamon McCourt asked about the difference in 3% and 4% in salaries. Staff answered that in the budget that number includes possible new positions, taxes, overtime, etc. Mayor Koopmann said she will get together with staff tomorrow and check for accuracy.

Alderman Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to adjourn the workshop at 5:51. The motion passed unanimously.
