

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

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 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, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Layne Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Andy Behlen with the Fayette County Record, Chairperson of Board of Adjustments, Ona Marak, Drew Whittington of Government Capital Securities, Michael Ohnheiser, Brian Lux, Pat Faith, Erin Wotipka, and Chad Zimmerman.

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

Under Presentation by Citizens, Chad Zimmermann addressed Council. Mr. Zimmermann urged Council to not call for a November Election. Mr. Zimmermann stated he believes that Council should get more public input and host a bond election in May of 2027.

Under Presentations, Proclamations, and Recognitions, Ona Marak shared the results from their most recent meeting concerning a Public Hearing for a variance from Section 5 of Chapter 14 of the Schulenburg Code of Ordinances for proposed lot replat and place mobile homes on two properties that are 54' in width and one property that is 51' in width and 90' in length that is currently identified as 712 South Street, Schulenburg, Texas.

Mrs. Marak shared that the owner is looking to place three mobile homes on the property. Two of the lots meet the requirements, one doesn't. The board voted unanimously to grant a variance for the frontage of all lots. Mrs. Marak concluded that there was one couple at the hearing who had questions but did not oppose.

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

- A. Minutes from the Regular Scheduled Council Meeting held on August 3rd, 2026
- B. Minutes from the Budget Workshop held on August 4th, 2026
- C. Minutes from the Budget Workshop held on August 5th, 2026
- D. Payment of Current Bills

Mayor Koopmann invited Drew Whittington with Government Capital Securities Corporation, to lead discussion on an Ordinance ordering and providing notice of a Special Election for the City of Schulenburg to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026.

Mr. Whittington explained to Council that because of the petition being filed, and found valid, the Certificates of Obligation is now defunct. Council could call for an election in November 2026, at the value and same scope of work of the proposed CO, or wait until May 2027, and fund the project through a general bond election. A general bond election can have a different scope and budget for the project. The election would have to be called February 2027 for a May 2027 election.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to approve the ordinance and order the election for November 3, 2026. The motion passed 3-2 with Aldermen Wick and Mican voting against.

Ms. Walker led discussion on a Contract for Election Services to be provided by the County Elections Administrators Office.

Ms. Walker explained that the contract was in Council's Packets. This is similar to the services the County provides the City in their May elections. The contract spells out pricing, early voting, and election day, and workers.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to accept the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on the 2026 Proposed M&O Tax Rate and setting a Public Hearing.

Ms. Walker gave Council handouts breaking down the different rates. The Voter Approval Rate of .26001 and the No New Revenue Rate of .23960 were discussed.

Alderman Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to approve the Proposed Voter Approval Rate of .26001, and setting the Public Hearing for September 8th at 6:00 P.M. at the Council Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on the proposed 2026 Debt Rate.

Ms. Walker reminded Council that this is part of the taxes levied for the payments for the Civic Center.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wick, to approve the Proposed Debt Rate of .05813. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on setting a Budget Public Hearing for the FY 2026-2027.

Ms. Walker stated that the plan is to make the budget available to the public hopefully this Wednesday. She reminded Council that it has to be available for at least 30 days before adoption.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderman Wick, to set the Budget Public Hearing for September 21st, at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers. The motion passed unanimously. Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, had no report.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, reported the following to Council:

- Staff is now at the new location at 210 East Ave.
- Thank you Public Works for helping move
- The old leased office will be cleaned tomorrow; I will get with the former landlord to schedule a day to exchange keys and shut off utilities

Alderwoman Kleiber thanked staff for all their hard work on the budget and moving buildings.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mican, to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.