

CITY OF SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEXAS
SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 12, 2025
5:30 p.m.

Mayor Law called the special workshop meeting of the Sulphur Springs City Council to order at 5:31 p.m.

The following council members and staff were present:

Mayor Tyler Law
Councilman Jay W. Julian
Councilman Harold Nash
Councilman Tommy Harrison
Councilman John A. Sellers

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Oscar Aguilar
Councilman Gary Spraggins

Staff: Marc Maxwell, City Manager
Natalie Burling, City Secretary
Nate Smith, City Attorney
Lesa Smith, Finance Director/Assistant City Manager
Tory Niewiadomski, Community Development Director/ Asst.
City Manager
Gordon Frazier, HR Director/Assistant City Manager
Jason Ricketson, Chief of Police
David James, Fire Chief
Hope Cain, Library Director
James Jordan, Director of Utilities
Jerry Maynard, Director of Parks and Recreation
Joey Baker, Director of Airport/Tourism
Bryan Craig, Director of Capital Construction

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Law called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PLEDGE AND INVOCATION

Mayor Law led in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag, the Pledge to the Texas Flag, and the invocation.

DISCUSSIONS ON PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Smith presented the draft budget by department. Every department head was available to speak to their budget if the City Council had any questions. There was a general discussion and Assistant Finance Director/City Manager Smith gave a very thorough presentation, answering all questions.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON MOTION TO PLACE ADOPTION OF THE TAX RATE AND THE FY 2026 BUDGET AS ACTION ITEMS ON THE SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 AND SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX RATE ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M. AND TO SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M

Councilman Sellers said, "I move that we place the adoption of a property tax rate of 43920 cents and the FY 2026 budget as action items on the September 2, 2025 and September 18, 2025 City Council agendas and that we schedule a public hearing on the proposed property tax rate on September 2, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. and that we schedule a public hearing on the proposed budget on September 18, 2025 at 5:30 p.m." Mayor Law seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The motion carried.

ADJOURN

With all business complete the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.