

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF McCULLOCH

CITY OF BRADY

The City Council of the City of Brady, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Anthony Groves presiding. Council Members present were Missi Elliston, Gabe Moreno, Terry Phillips and Felix Gomez. City staff present were City Manager James Stewart, Finance Director Lisa McElrath, Public Works Director Steven Miller, Police Chief Randy Batten, Golf Superintendent R. S. Bush, and City Secretary Tina Keys. Also in attendance were Aaron Garcia, Kelsey Garcia, Micah Garcia, Sandra Garcia, Cynthia Sutton, Curtis Owens, James Griffin, Carol Deleo, Anthony Deleo, Kelsey White, Phillip Crutz Cody Estes, Annita Elliston, Kristy Medrano, Marissa Trejo, Ramon Roque, Craig Davee, Nicole Fish, Jack Miller, Paul Torrez III, Heath Evans, Charles Hodges, Charles Bush, and Emma Martinez.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Mayor Groves called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Council quorum was certified.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Phillips gave the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Groves said he was going to move things around a bit and start with reception for outgoing Council Members Missi Elliston and Jeffrey Sutton. Mayor Groves thanked them for their dedication and service to the citizens of Brady. Council Member Sutton thanked the City for giving him the opportunity to serve and told council how much he appreciates them putting up with him and his questions. Council Member Sutton also thanked the community. Council Member Elliston said she has enjoyed her time on council and has been given amazing support and has enjoyed every minute of her time. James Stewart thanked them for their time. Meeting was recessed at 6:07 and resumed at 6:21

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Police Chief Randy Batten ~ handed out information that's on the state website. Brady PD has registration at their office for registered sex offenders. The registry is fairly new. Criminal code of procedures 6201 covers sex offenders. There are three categories, with one being the lowest risk then moderate then serious. They make sure they register then they do compliance checks to their registry. They have to register every 30 days if they are transient. There are four people in brady that they monitor closely but their restrictions wouldn't keep them away from parks or schools. The offenders sign off to all of the rules and regulations so they are aware.

Craig Davee asked what can we do to follow Lampasas on their ordinances. John Veitch with Hotrods and Harleys read a statement. He went over what Hotrods and Harleys do for the community. They had an Easter egg hunt at the park with 300 children and had registered sex offenders driving through. They would like to do the safe child act through an ordinance to where they can't be at parks where children are going to be. They've had several parents coming to them saying they don't let their children go to the park because there are sex offenders there. He wants to protect the kids and their community. James Stewart said he will hear everyone and talk to chief and see what follow-up there needs to be.

Craig Davee said they grew up at Willie Washington park. This is their home. They have kids and grandkids and they're all concerned about them. A mother came to him and said she won't even take her kids to the park anymore. If we can get an ordinance and maybe if officers can come by more often that might help.

Mayor Groves said May is Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month and said he appreciates the motorcycle guys and asked people to stay aware, keep your eyes open and pay attention. Mayor Groves said he would sign a proclamation declaring May 2025 as Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes for Regular Session meeting on April 15, 2025
- B. Approval of a noise variance at Richard's Park from 6:00 p.m. on May 10, 2025 until 1:00 am on May 11th for a family reunion as requested by Mike Sanchez.
- C. Approval of the temporary closure of W. Victoria Street between N. Elizabeth Street and N. Davidson Street on June 28 – 29, 2025 for a 25th wedding celebration and on August 30 – 31, 2025 for a family reunion as requested by Brentt Raybion.
- D. Approval of street closure from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the corner of W. Main & N. Church St, N. High & W. Lockhart St., N. Bridge & W. Lockhart St. & N. Church and Richards St. for Bingo night put on in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and McCulloch County Resource Center as a fundraiser for the resource center on Tuesday, June 3, 2024

Council Member Moreno moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Phillips. All Council Members voted "aye" and none "nay". Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

- Municipal Court Annual Report – Valerie Gonzalez and Judge J.T. Owens presented to Council. Mayor Groves said there have been dramatic improvements in the court system. A judge that doesn't just put things off is appreciated and recognized.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS ON PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings.

7. INDIVIDUAL CONCERNS

- A. Recognition of outgoing Council Members Missi Elliston and Jeffrey Sutton and reception. This item was addressed after Invocation and Pledge
- B. Administer Oath of Office and Swearing in of newly elected council members: Aaron Garcia, City Council Place 2, and Curtis Owens, City Council Place 3. Municipal Court Judge J.T. Owens swore in new council members who were then seated at the dais.
- C. Discussion, consideration and possible action to elect Mayor Pro Tem. Mayor Groves nominated Council Member Moreno. Council Member Garcia nominated Council Member Moreno. Council Member Moreno said he would have to pass on being Mayor Pro Tem due to his schedule. Mayor Groves nominated Council Member Phillips. Council Member Garcia nominated Council Member Phillips. Council Member Moreno nominated Council Member Phillips. Council Member Owens nominated Phillips. Council Member Phillips was elected Mayor Pro Tem.
- D. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the second and final reading of Ordinance 1393 of the City of Brady, Texas, amending Chapter 3 of the Code of Ordinances establishing a vacant building ordinance. James Stewart presented. Council Member Moreno moved to approve the second and final

reading of Ordinance 1393. Seconded by Council Member Owens. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

E. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the **second and final reading of Ordinance 1394** of the City of Brady, Texas amending Ordinance 1386 setting fees for vacant commercial structures. James Stewart presented. Terry asked how we will notify owners. James said Code Enforcement will send letters. Council Member Garcia moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 1394. Seconded by Council Member Moreno. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

F. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding **second and final reading of Ordinance 1395** of the City of Brady, Texas, to amend the FY2025 Budget for municipal purposes. Lisa McElrath presented. Council Member Garcia moved to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 1395. Seconded by Council Member Phillips. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

G. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding approval of disposition of City-owned assets through the Public Surplus online auction (www.publicsurplus.com). Lisa McElrath presented and reviewed processes. Council Member Moreno asked if we can let the county know we have items for disposal to see if they might be interested in any of it. Lisa said she will make sure Taylor does that. Lisa said it will also be in the newspaper for 2 weeks. Lisa said the items that don’t sell will be taken for scrap. Council Member Moreno moved to approve the disposition of City-owned assets listed below from Agenda Action Form item 7.G. and give the Purchasing Agent the authority to dispose of the confirmed city surplus property in the manner most advantageous to the City through the Public Surplus online auction (www.publicsurplus.com) or a metal recycling company. Seconded by Council Member Owens. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

H. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding the Budget Schedule and setting workshop dates in July 2025. Lisa McElrath presented. Lisa said she is not looking to set dates tonight but asked council to look at their calendars to discuss possible dates at the next Council meeting. Lisa reviewed the budget process. Council Member Phillips said he has seen many budgets but what Lisa and Karyna present in the workbook is so good and so concise, he can’t compliment them enough. He really appreciates it.

I. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding Resolution 2025-013 approving updates to the City’s Investment Policy. Lisa McElrath presented. Lisa said the investment committee wanted to look into an investment broker to diversify their funds. The Public Funds Investment Act tells us what municipalities can invest in. We must keep our money safe. We need to create a level revenue stream at a reasonable interest rate. Lisa was impressed with a firm that was speaking at an investment conference she attended. She called them and was very pleased with his comments. Our investment policy is limited because we don’t have the expertise to invest like these people have. He will do all the research and bring recommendations to the investment committee for approval. Council Member Phillips asked what the fee is. Lisa said it’s .1% with a \$15,000 minimum. James Stewart said there are several other cities currently using these people. Lisa said she called San Angelo and Lampasas and Woodville. Council Member Moreno moved to approve Resolution 2025-013 approving the City’s Investment Policy. Seconded by Council Member Phillips. All Council Members voted “aye” and none “nay”. Motion passed with a 4 – 0 vote.

J. Discussion, consideration and possible action awarding the bid for the Golf Cart Shed Construction project to Tri Tex Fence Co. (\$162,500). Lisa McElrath presented. Council Member Phillips asked if this includes removal of what’s there. Rusty Bush said no. Council Member Moreno asked what the time frame is. Lisa

believes they can start immediately and is projected to take eight weeks. She will confirm. Mayor Groves asked if the budget said repair golf cart sheds or build new sheds. He wants to make sure we have it straight from what was approved in the budget. Lisa said she will check the budget documents, but feels it is for new construction. Council Member Owens pointed out that the notes say no doors are included. Lisa said she would think doors would be included, but she will check. Council Member Moreno moved to table until the next council meeting. Seconded by Council Member Owens. All Council Members voted "aye" and none "nay". Motion passed with a 4 - 0 vote.

8. STAFF REPORTS

A. Upcoming Special Events/Meetings:

May 20	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
May 26	Memorial Day Holiday, City Offices Closed, Altered Trash Schedule – Mon. 5/26 trash picked up Tues. 5/27 & Tues. 5/27 trash picked up Wed. 5/28
June 3	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
June 4	Happy Birthday Felix Gomez
June 17	Regular City Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

James Stewart said he will be out of the office tomorrow heading to Georgetown to see new grandbaby.

10. COMMENTS ON FUTURE ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There was no discussion.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of the City of Brady adjourned into Executive Session for the following:

- Pursuant to Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), the City Council will consult with the City Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act;
- Pursuant to Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) City Council will meet to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Manager contract & duties
- Pursuant to Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), the City Council will deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real properties of the City as the deliberation in an open meeting will have the detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person: Police Station / Fire Station / G. Rollie White.
- Pursuant to Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), the City Council will deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real properties of the City as the deliberation in an open meeting will have the detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person:

Regular Session was recessed at 7:44 p.m. Executive Session opened at 7:52 p.m. and closed at 8:55 p.m. Regular Session resumed at 8:55.

12. OPEN SESSION ACTION ON ANY ITEMS COMING OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Groves adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.



Anthony Groves, Mayor

Attest: 
Tina Keys, City Secretary

AAF Item 7.G. City owned assets included hereto:

Division	Year	Description	Make/Model	Condition	Mileage/Hour	Tag No.	Asset ID
Solid Waste	1974	Track Loader	Caterpillar/ Track Loader	Poor	1331	105	60-14-HE-2
Solid Waste	1981	Water Truck	GMC/Truck	Poor	N/A	503	60-14-VH-3
Solid Waste	2010	Trash Truck	Peterbilt/Truck	Poor	N/A	554	60-14-HE-27
Solid Waste	2008	Trash Truck	Peterbilt/Truck	Poor	129,197	538	60-14-HE-26
Solid Waste	2001	Dumpster Truck	Sterling/Truck	Poor	N/A	450	60-14-HE-11
Solid Waste	1976	Winch Truck	Mack/Truck	Poor	026529	519	60-14-HE-24
Solid Waste	1991	Forklift	MLULL/John Deere Forklift	Poor	N/A	494	60-14-HE-19
Solid Waste	1985	Trailer Welder	N/A	Fair	N/A	N/A	60-14-GE-5
Airport	1985	800 Jet Fuel Truck 3000G	Ford	Poor	28215/5 94	1411	10-2-HE-3
Water	2011	Power Generator	Maxey	Poor	1084.21	1386	N/A
Water		Water Pump					N/A
Golf	1996	F-250 4 x 4 (Sprayer Truck)	Ford/Pickup	Unknown	N/A	337	10-5-VH-4
Gas	2000	Pickup	Ford F150 Truck	Fair	N/A	525	40-42-VH-10
Streets	1984	Water Truck	Mack/Truck	Poor	0577	477	10-12-HE-17
Streets	1999	Service Truck	Chevrolet/Truck	Fair	1887694	564	10-12-VH-3
PPM	2011	Pickup Truck	GMC ½ Ton	Poor	137570	558	10-3-VH-12
PPM	1996	Pickup Truck	Ford F150 ½ Ton	Poor	n/a	508	n/a
PPM	Pre-1980	Equipment	Dismantled Playground Equipment	Poor	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lake	N/A	Equipment	Playground Equipment (dismantled)	Poor	n/a	n/a	10-32-GE-1
Lake	N/A	Equipment	Paddle Boats	Poor	n/a	n/a	n/a

