



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

September 23, 2025

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the City Council of the City of Leonard, Fannin County, Texas, held a Special Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall at 111 W Collin Street, Leonard, Texas, on September 23, 2025, at 6:30 P.M.

The meeting was broadcast live on the city's Facebook page. A video recording of the meeting is available to members of the public at <https://www.facebook.com/CityofLeonard>.

Members Present: Mayor Pro Tem Al Stephens, Councilmembers Billy Wayne Martin, Darrell Grintz, Charles Wrenn, and Bobby Hanson.

Members Absent: Mayor Michael Pye,

Staff present: City Administrator George Evanko, City Secretary Melissa Verde, Court Clerk Kim Davis

Guests: Hank Mastellar

1. Call Meeting to Order, Verification of Quorum

Mayor Pro Tem called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM after confirming a quorum was present.

2. Invocation, Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags

Councilmember Charles Wrenn led the invocation, and the group recited pledges of allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

3. Open Forum – No Speakers

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approve SH-69 Sewer Line Extension Project Pay Application No. 3 for \$82,933.10 due to Dickerson Construction Company, Inc., for work on the sewer line from July 4, 2025, to August 15, 2025.	Approved
b. Approve SH-69 Sewer Line Extension Project Change Order No. 3 for \$45,895.00 due to Dickerson Construction Company, Inc., for additional work added to the scope of the contract.	Approved
c. Approve SH-69 Sewer Line Extension Project Application for Payment for \$11,447.70 due to Dickerson Construction Company, Inc., for the retainage fee on the project.	Approved

A motion was made by Councilmember Hanson to approve consent agenda items A-C, seconded by Councilmember Martin. The motion passed unanimously. 5-0.

5. Hold a Public Hearing on the 2025-2026 Tax Rate

- Public Hearing Opened at 6:35 PM on a motion by Billy Wayne Martin, seconded by Bobby Hanson. The tax rates were read, and there was a brief discussion with Hank Mastellar, in attendance.*
- After no further comment, Bobby Hanson moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Billy Wayne Martin, the public hearing closed at 6:38 PM.*

Item 6 was moved to the end of the agenda.

7. Take action on approving the Maintenance & Operating Rate component at \$0.362569 per \$100 of taxable value.

Billy Wayne Martin moved to set the Maintenance & Operating component of the tax rate at \$0.362569 per \$100 of taxable value. After being duly seconded by Darrell Grintz, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

8. Take action on approving the Debt Rate component at \$0.175481 per \$100 of taxable value.

Bobby Hanson moved to set the Debt Rate component of the tax rate at \$0.175481 per \$100 of taxable value. After being duly seconded by Charles Wrenn, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

9. Take action on approving Ordinance 250923-02 adopting the city budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Billy Wayne Martin moved to adopt the 2025-2026 fiscal budget as proposed. After being duly seconded by Charles Wrenn, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

10. Take action on ratifying the adoption of a budget that will raise total property tax revenue by \$27,216, which is a 2.58% increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$19,239.

Bobby Hanson moved to ratify the adoption of the budget that will raise total property tax revenue by \$27,216. After being duly seconded by Billy Wayne Martin, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0, and the budget adoption was ratified.

6. Take action on approving Ordinance 250923-01, levying the tax rate for the 2025-2026 fiscal year at \$0.538050.

Bobby Hanson moved to set the tax rate at \$0.538050 per \$100 of taxable value. After being duly seconded by Charles Wrenn, the motion passed unanimously, 5-0, and the tax rate was approved.

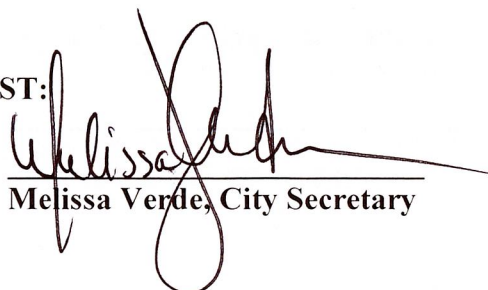
11. Announcements

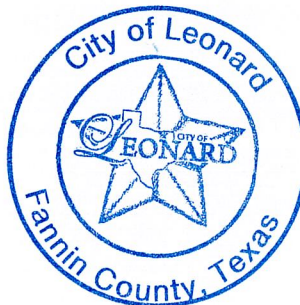
No announcements.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business, Bobby Hanson moved to adjourn the special meeting. After being duly seconded by Billy Wayne Martin, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM.

ATTEST:


Melissa Verde, City Secretary



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APPROVED:


Mayor Michael Pye