Minutes of

Cresson City Council Meeting September 23, 2025

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session during the course of the meeting to seek legal advice from its attorney regarding any item on the posted agenda as authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.

Mayor Becker called the City Council Meeting of Cresson, Texas to order at 7:00 P.M. on September 23, 2025, in the City Council Chambers. Attendance as follows:

Mayor Ron Becker Lisa Clement Jeff Keeney

Kevin Olivarez Gary Robertson (absent) Corey Barker City Attorney Rachel Raggio

Councilperson Keeney gave the invocation and Mayor Pro Tem Clement led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

The meeting is open to the public.

Citizen's Comments

None.

Mayor's Comments

A. The Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant is fully executed. There is a conference call with the grant people next week to discuss next steps. The grant is for \$175,000 (\$35,000 from the city and \$140,000 from the government).

Items for Future Agendas

None.

Deliberation Agenda

- A. Consider and possibly act on accepting the letter of resignation from Councilperson Gary Robertson. Councilperson Barker makes a motion to accept the letter of resignation. Councilperson Keeney seconds the motion. 4 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- B. 1. Recommendation for City Council Place 2. There are 7 months remaining on the term. Mayor Pro Tem Clement makes a motion recommending Ken Malcomson for Place 2. Councilperson Barker seconds the motion. 4 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
 - 2. Swear in new councilperson, if approved by council. City Secretary Katy Froyd swears in Ken Malcomson as a new councilperson.
- C. Public Hearing to receive input on the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Annual budget.

BUDGET STATEMENT Pursuant to Section 551.043, Government Code, the following taxpayer impact statement must be included with the City Council meeting notice at which the City Council will discuss or adopt a budget for the City of Cresson: For an average-valued homestead property in Cresson City Limits (\$303,000.00), the City's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the current fiscal year (FY2024-2025) is \$0, the City's portion of the property tax bill for the upcoming fiscal year (FY2025-2026) for the same property if the proposed

budget is adopted is estimated to be \$0, and the City's portion of the property tax bill in dollars for the upcoming fiscal year (FY2025-2026) for the same property if a budget funded at the no-new-revenue rate under Chapter 26, Tax Code, is adopted is estimated to be \$0.

- 1. Hold Public Hearing. Public Hearing opens at 7:06pm. No comments from the public. Public Hearing closes at 7:07pm. Mayor Becker states he asked Councilperson Clement to prepare the budget since there is a line for the Cresson Volunteer Fire Department. Lisa and City Secretary Katy Froyd worked together on the budget. There is a new line added for street repairs. The biggest change is due to Cresson Crossroads MUD#2moving their billing from the city to Inframark. We had to do a little balancing on the utility side. Mayor Becker says he asked to add the city road fund to pull from reserves to help work through the SS4A grant as well as a project in Bourland Fields. We have repaved well over half the road in Bluebonnet Hills. We would like to continue paving project throughout the city. Mayor Becker said what the city pays for the Shared Sheriff program with Hood County is well worth the cost compared to what other cities pay for police departments. Cresson pays approximately \$18 per incident versus \$845 per incident in Godley. The legals fees in 2024-2025 were the lowest ever since 2010.
- 2. Consider and possibly act to approve or disapprove the FY 2025-2026 Annual Budget. Councilperson Olivarez makes a motion to approve the budget. Councilperson Keeney seconds the motion. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is approved unanimously.
- D. Consider and possibly act to approve or disapprove the Hood County Inter-Local Contract for Animal Control Support. No citizen comments. Councilperson Keeney makes a motion to approve the contract. Councilperson Clement seconds the motion. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- E. Consider and possibly act to approve or disapprove giving the mayor the authorization to execute the Chapter 380 Economic Development Program and Agreement between the City of Cresson, Texas and Land Fund Manager, LP. within the parameters set forth by council. Mayor Becker requests to go into an Executive Session for consultation with the city attorney. Council goes into Executive Session at 7:21pm. Council returns at 7:44pm. Councilperson Keeney makes a motion to authorize the mayor to negotiate the final terms of the 380 Agreement in accordance with specific parameters. Councilperson Barker seconds the motion. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- F. Consider and possibly act to approve or disapprove the changing of the City of Cresson Building Code Information. Councilperson Olivarez makes a motion to take no action. Councilperson Barker seconds the motion. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- G. Consider and act on the approval of the minutes of the city council meeting held on August 26, 2025. Councilperson Keeney makes a motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilperson Clement seconds the motion. 5 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.

Adjourn

The meeting is adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

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Ron Becker, Mayor