

THE LEVELLAND CITY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, THE 3rd DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025, AT LEVELLAND CITY HALL, R. O. DENNIS COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1709 AVENUE H, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Breann Buxkemper	Honorable Mayor	Present
Michael Stueart	Mayor Pro Tem	Present
Bill Powell	Council Member	Present
Max Ledesma	Council Member	Present
Jaime McCabe	Council Member	Present
Slater Elza	City Attorney	Present
Matthew Murray	City Attorney	Present
James Fisher	City Manager	Present
Justin Balderas	Asst. City Manager	Present
Andréa Corley	City Secretary	Absent

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Buxkemper.

The Pledge was led by Mayor Breann Buxkemper.

The Invocation was led by Mayor Breann Buxkemper.

Staff Recognitions: Cole Kirkland was presented with an award. Council was introduced to new Police Officer Caleb Baker and new Code Compliance Officer Joe Hernandez.

Mayor Buxkemper called a recess and reconvened at 6:30pm.

Statements by Citizens:

There were no statements by citizens.

FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Consider and take necessary action to approve the minutes of October 20, 2025, regular meeting.

Motion by Jaime McCabe

Seconded by Michael Stueart

To approve the minutes of October 20, 2025, regular meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

SECOND ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Public Hearing for Parks Department projects approved and recommended by the Levelland Community Development Corporation.

The Levelland Community Development Corporation (LCDC) is funded by a ¼ cent of the Sales and Use Tax received within the city. The projected revenue for FY 26 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026) is \$650,000. The estimated Reserves for the LCDC at September 30, 2025 is \$1,260,000.

The LCDC has recommended expenditures of:

- Playground resurfacing at Brashear Lake - \$30,000.
- Fountains at Lobo Lake and Brashear Lake for water quality and aesthetics - \$30,000.
- Trail extension and overlook swing at Lobo Lake - \$25,000.
- Phase 2 of the Pickleball Complex: shade structure, benches, trash cans, and surface painting - \$25,000.
- Picnic tables and shade structures at the Oxy Sports Complex - \$15,000.
- New entry sign at the Oxy Sports Complex - \$15,000.
- Improvements at City Park Field F: lighting, fencing, irrigation, and field materials - \$320,000.
- Renovation of the Church League Field at City Park: infield expansion and installation of movable pitching mound - \$25,000.
- City Park Barty Johnson field- fence, irrigation, field materials, demolition of building - \$150,000 •

PROJECT TOTAL: \$635,000

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:09pm.

LCDC President Jacob Tucker and Parks Director Dustin Reichelt commented on the projects.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:11pm.

THIRD ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Discussion about Building Codes update.

To help address new risks and improve safety standards, construction practices, and due to technological advancements, environmental considerations, evolving risk and research, international building codes are updated to enhance public safety, incorporate new technologies, address environmental concerns, and respond to evolving societal needs. City staff are asking to adopt a more current code cycle, 2021 for the International Building Codes, and the 2020 National Electric Code. Currently the city of Lubbock has the 2021 cycle adopted and the 2020 for the NEC, and since we receive a numerous amount of contractors from Lubbock, it would benefit us to use the same cycles as well as Lubbock's amendments to said codes.

Staff anticipates bringing this to Council in December.

No Action Taken.

FOURTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Consider and take necessary action on a payment request from AMERESCO in the amount of \$279,024.55 for the water meter project pursuant to the contract approved between the City and AMERESCO in October 2024.

The city has received payment application #10 from AMERESCO in the amount of \$279,024.55.

Motion by Bill Powell

Seconded by Max Ledesma

To approve a payment request from AMERESCO in the amount of \$279,024.55 for the water meter project pursuant to the contract approved between the City and AMERESCO in October 2024.

Motion carried unanimously.

FIFTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Consider and take necessary action on a payment request in the amount of \$397,246.14 from Missouri Petroleum Products Company LLC for the 2025 Group Seal Coat program.

The City has received a payment application from Missouri Petroleum Products Company LLC in the amount of \$397,246.14 for the Group Seal Coat Program. The project was completed September 19, 2025.

Motion by Bill Powell

Seconded by Jaime McCabe

To approve a payment request in the amount of \$397,246.14 from Missouri Petroleum Products Company LLC for the 2025 Group Seal Coat program.

Motion carried unanimously.

SIXTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Consider and take necessary action to cast votes for the board of directors of the Hockley County Appraisal District.

All nominations are in and the City is being asked to cast votes to elect the five directors for the Hockley County Appraisal District. There are six candidates nominated for the five positions on the board of directors. The City may cast its 361 votes in any combination among any or all of the nominees. There are a total of 5,000 votes between all of the taxing entities making the City's percentage of the votes 7.22 percent.

Motion by Michael Stueart

Seconded by Bill Powell

To cast all 361 votes allotted to the City of Levelland to Buddy Moore.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEVENTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

City Manager Report: Staff Updates, Project Updates, Staff/Citizen recognition, Items of Community Interest. No action will be taken.

City Manager James Fisher's report:

- Levelland Listens will be 11/4 at the Civic Center
- Levelland Fire Department received a \$25,000 grant from Oxy
- Centennial Committee will met November 10
- City Staff has received several requests for water outside the city limits, and staff will be working to create a policy for Council approval regarding this issue
- 7 Brew will hold a ribbon cutting on Nov 12 at 2pm. Levelland PD and Fire will be onsite for safety
- Circle K has broken ground. They've requested to close Alamo for a few days for construction. City staff is working with contractors on a palatable date for a street closure.
- City has received a request to take possession of the road to Holiday Inn (by Whataburger). City staff is working through that.

EIGHTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Convene into executive session in accordance with Texas Gov't Code §551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

Mayor Buxkemper convened Council into Executive Session at 6:33pm.

Mayor Buxkemper returned Council to Open Session at 6:50pm.

NINTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:

Consider and take necessary action relating to items discussed in executive session.

No Action Taken

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Andréa Corley, TRMC
City Secretary

Breann Buxkemper, Mayor