

THE LEVELLAND CITY COUNCIL MET IN A REGULAR MEETING ON MONDAY, THE 5<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 20265, 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	Absent
Matthew Murray	City Attorney	Present
James Fisher	City Manager	Present
Justin Balderas	Asst. City Manager	Present
Andréa Corley	City Secretary	Present

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

The Pledge and Invocation were led by Mayor Breann Buxkemper.

The Invocation was led by City Manager Jame Fisher.

Special Recognition: The Levelland Police Department conducted a badge-pinning ceremony for Sgt. Ivan (Chapi) Baeza.

*Statements by Citizens:*

There were no statements by citizens.

**FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action to approve the minutes of December 15, 2025, regular meeting and December 30, 2025, Special Meeting.*

Motion by Jaime McCabe

Seconded by Michael Stueart

To approve the minutes of December 15, 2025, regular meeting. (The December 30<sup>th</sup> meeting was canceled, so there were no minutes to approve for that meeting.)

Motion carried unanimously.

**SECOND ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action on Resolution No. 2026-01 to order and establish procedure for the May 2, 2026, City of Levelland Uniform General Election.*

The City of Levelland general election date will be Saturday, May 2, 2026. Resolution No. 2026-01 calls for a General Election for the election for council members from District A and District C.

The resolution addresses the filing dates for the candidates, early voting, designated polling place, dates and times.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have decided to hold off presenting this resolution, wanting another two weeks to ensure that we are in compliance with new elections laws.

No Action Taken.

**THIRD ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action on a board appointment for the Levelland Main Street Advisory Board.*

The Main Street Board has a vacant seat due to a board member term resigning. Below is a list of the full board and the board's recommendation for filling this position.

Main Street Advisory Board

Three-Year Term (can serve up to two consecutive terms)

Governed by Bylaws

Devin Sonnenburg *Vice Chair	2026	2029
Nicole Campbell	2026	2029
RoxAnn Gonzales nomination	2027	2030 *resigning- DAVID NOLES
Albert Garcia	2027	2030
Iris Keeling *Chair	2027	2027
Kimberley Young	2028	2028
Meleta Atchison	2028	2031
Amanda Chapa	2028	2031

Main Street America and the Texas Main Street Program recommend that the board is representative of a community and downtown's demographics. Our program has worked hard to find a diverse working board committed to serving the Main Street's vision:

The Levelland Square will be a vibrant destination with treasured businesses that provide unique shopping opportunities, memorable entertainment options, and cultural culinary experiences in a revitalized and artistic historic district, that places importance on accessibility and diversity.

Motion by Michael Stueart  
Seconded by Jaime McCabe  
To appoint David Noles to the Main Street Advisory Board for a three-year term.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**FOURTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action on a Buy Board bid for lights for City Park Field F.*

The Levelland Community Development Corporation (LCDC), a Type B sales tax fund and the City Council approved funding in the amount of \$320,000 for improvements at Field F in City Park, which included \$240,000 for light materials and installation. The 60-day waiting period to move forward was completed December 31st. Staff is working on bids for installation from local contractors.

Motion by Jaime McCabe  
Seconded by Max Ledesma  
To award a bid for Field F lighting materials in the amount of \$113,379 from Musco Lightning.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**FIFTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action on a payment request from MH Civil Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,431,777.82 for the new 1.8 MGD Wastewater Treatment Plant pursuant to the contract approved between the City and MH Civil Constructors on May 5, 2025.*

The city has received payment application #6 from MH Civil Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,431,777.82.

Motion by Bill Powell  
Seconded by Max Ledesma  
To approve payment request #6 from MH Civil in the amount of \$1,431,777.82 for the new 1.8 MGD Wastewater Treatment Plant pursuant to the contract approved between the City and MH Civil Constructors on May 5, 2025.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**SIXTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Consider and take necessary action to ratify the City Manager's signature on the Clovis Horse Sale Attendance Certification.*

City staff received the 2025 Clovis Horse Sales Breeder Futurity attendance application on December 15th. It is due January 6th. I signed the application and returned to the Chamber, I did not want it to get overlooked during the holiday season

Motion by Michael Stueart

Seconded by Bill Powell

To ratify the City Manager's signature on the 2025 Clovis Horse Sale Attendance Certification.

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.*

- Levelland Listens will be held on 1/6/26
- Wastewater Treatment Plant progress
- LCDC Meeting 1/6/26 at noon to discuss the possible special election to combine the 4-A and 4-B corporations. LCDC will talk about the Parks Master Plan and restrooms at the ball fields at City Park.
- CRMWA infrastructure projects update
- Xcel Energy project and potential rate increase updates
- Closing on two pieces of property that were donated to the City
- Centennial Committee Mtg 1/12/26
- Joint P&Z Mtg on 1/13/26
- Jan 22 Airport Town Hall/Open House

### **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.*

### **NINTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Convene into executive session in accordance with Texas Government Code §551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Manager, Fire Chief*

### **TENTH ITEM OF BUSINESS:**

*Convene into executive session in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §551.071 to seek the advice about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters in which duty of the attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Tex. Gov't Code Ch. 551.*

Mayor Buxkemper convened Council into Executive Session at 5:59pm.  
Mayor Buxkemper returned Council to Open Session at 8:10pm.

**TWENTY-SECOND 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 8:10pm

Respectfully Submitted,

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Andréa Corley, TRMC  
City Secretary

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Breann Buxkemper, Mayor