

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CITY OF KARNES CITY
MAY 27, 2025**

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On this **27th day of May 2025**, the City Council of the City of Karnes City, Texas convened in a **Regular Monthly Meeting** at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall with the following members answering to “Roll Call”:

Mayor – Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor Pro-Tem – Jimmy D. Loya
Councilmembers: Lillian Lyssy, Helen Hernandez,
Aaron Rosales and Donald Dziuk

Councilmembers absent:

Others present: City Manager (CM) Veronica Butler, Director of Public Works (DPW), Fernando Rios, Chief of Police Roel Salas, Haylee Jurgajtis, Kevin Moehrig, Austin Beck Lesley Lewallen, Raymond Robinson, Richard Pena, Joel Velasquez, Dwayne Villanueva, Sylvia Pena, Sandy Villarreal, Conrad Villarreal, Amelia Martinez, David Wiatrek, Tammy Braudway, and John Banks.

**C. U.S. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence/Prayer**

D. Public Comments – No Comments.

(1) Minutes

- a. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from;
March 25, 2025

(2) Discuss and consider monthly reports from City Departments

Mayor Skloss presented the reports. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Lyssy and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to approve the Consent Agenda. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(3) Discuss and take possible action on the city’s preparations for Founders Day event to be held on December 13, 2025 – Haylee informed the Council we are 200 days away, no action taken.

G. NEW BUSINESS (CONSIDER AND ACT UPON):

(4) Administer Oath of Office to Newly Elected Councilmembers for District #1, Raymond Robinson, District #3, Lesley Lewallen, and District #5, Jimmy Loya, Sr. – CM Butler administer oath of office to newly elected councilmembers. No action taken.

(5) Recognition and Presentation to outgoing Councilmembers Lillian Lyssy and Aaron Rosales – CM Butler presented plaques to both councilmembers while Mayor Skloss said a few words to recognize their years on the Council. No action taken.

(6) Discuss and take possible action on the Mayoral Proclamation declaring the month of May as Community Action Month – Mayor Skloss presented the proclamation. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to the Mayoral Proclamation declaring the month of May as Community Action Month. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(7) Discuss and take possible action on the request from Elim Pentecostal Church to rename Panna Maria Street to Rev. Honorio Velazquez Ave. – Joel Velazquez along with Richard and Syliva Pena informed the Council they have a petition signed by their members asking for the renaming of Panna Maria Ave. He also read history on Mr. Velaquez time as a pastor. Councilmember Hernandez expressed her concerns about how much of a hassle it may be for the citizens to have to change their address. Councilmembers Dziuk and Lewallen also agreed. Councilmember Loya stated he would love to honor him if there was any other way, but if we did change the street name, we would also have to do it for others also. No action taken.

(8) Discuss, consider and take possible action on the Karnes City Transportation route services offered by Alamo Regional Transit/Alamo Area Council of Governments – Sean Scott and Joseph Briones presented the plan and how the route has currently gone. Councilmember Hernandez expressed her concern with the bus not stopping for a short period of time to be sure there were no citizens inside waiting on the bus to arrive. Councilmember Loya also stated his concerns on the timing of the route. CM Butler stated she would like to see more information on how many Citizens of Karnes City are using the transpiration or how many are coming into our town to utilize our businesses. Mayor Skloss asked for more information at next month's meeting before a final decision is made.

(9) Discuss and take possible action on the recommendations from Karnes City Chamber on the new welcome sign – Amelia Martinez with the Karnes City Chamber presented the Chamber's recommendation on the sign. After further discussion, Council instructed CM Butler to bring back two designs to consider at next month's meeting. No action taken.

(10) Discuss and consider the status report regarding delinquent property tax collections from John Banks with Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott LLP – John Bank with Perdue presented and went over the delinquent property taxes. No action taken.

(11) Discuss and take possible action regarding adopting of Police Department polices related to Hiring Procedures, Personnel Files, and Misconduct - CM Butler along with Chief Salas informed the Council of the mandated polices required by TCOLE. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Hernandez and seconded by Councilmember Lewallen to approve Police Department polices related to Hiring Procedures, Personnel Files, and Misconduct. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(12) Discuss and take possible action on Resolution 2025-008, authorizing the submission of an application for the Local Park Grant Program and designating certain officials as being responsible for, acting for, and on behalf of the Applicant in dealing with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department – CM Butler informed the Council of the opportunity to apply for the Local Park Grant. After further discussion, a motion was made by Council member Loya and seconded by Councilmember Dziuk to approve Resolution 2025-008, authorizing the submission of an application for the Local Park Grant Program and designating certain officials as being responsible for, acting for, and on behalf of the Applicant in dealing with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(13) Discuss and take possible action on updating new signators for City bank accounts – CM Butler informed the Council that currently Lillian Lyssy was a signator, since she is no longer a Councilmember, we would need to replace he with another Councilmember and recommended adding Haylee Jurgajtis also. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Loya and seconded by Councilmember Lewallen to approve Donald Dziuk and Haylee Jurgajtis to be added as signators to the City bank accounts. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

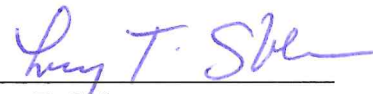
(14) Discuss and take possible action on a sign easement with the Karnes City Lodge for the replacement of the “Welcome to Karnes City” sign – CM Butler presented the easement, this is a draft that we will send to the property owner for review, if approved we will then have a survey done of the area to include in the easement. After further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Dziuk and seconded by Councilmember Hernandez to approve the sign easement as presented with the Karnes City Lodge for the replacement of the “Welcome to Karnes City” sign. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.

(15) Discuss, review and take possible action on City’s Strategic Plan – Haylee presented the strategic plan, she stated we need to review and bring back recommendations on updating this current one or start fresh with a new one. No action taken.

(16) Workshop: Review and Discussion of staff presentation on city's Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget and proposed allocation of funds, capital projects, employee wages, and other related budgetary matters – Haylee presented the budget workshop calendar and stated she has begun working on getting any wish list items from the department heads, we will have more information over the next couple of meetings. No action taken.

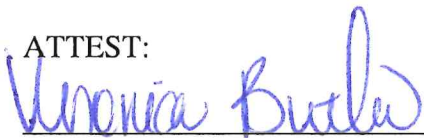
(17) Discuss and take possible action on future agenda items – No recommendations, no action taken.

H. Adjournment: There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Hernandez and seconded by Councilmember Robinson to adjourn the meeting. The vote was 5-0 in favor and the motion was declared unanimously passed.



Leroy T. Skloss
Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica Butler
City Manager/Secretary

