



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in a special meeting on Monday August 26, 2024, at 5:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater, Eva Cortez, Luis Villarreal, Gary Stephenson, and Tammy Mahan. Also present were City Staff including Don Provost, Krista Adames, Ricky Patterson, Cindy Tapia, and Dwain Read.

## MINUTES

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor ProTem called the meeting to order.

**2. Roll Call of Council Members**

Members present were Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater, Eva Cortez, Tammy Mahan, Luis Villarreal, and Gary Stephenson.

**3. Welcome Guests**

Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater welcomed the guest.

**4. Invocation**

Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater gave the invocation.

**5. Public Comment (non-action)**

No public comments were received.

**6. Discussion/Action Items**

- a. Discuss and consider setting date for FY 2024-2025 Budget Hearing – September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater made a motion to set the FY 2024-2025 Budget hearing for September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- b. Discuss and consider setting date to propose the 2025 Tax Rate- September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater made a motion to set the date to propose the 2025 Tax rate for September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- c. Discuss and consider setting date for public hearing for the Proposed 2025 Tax Rate – September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater made a motion to set the public hearing for the Proposed 2025 Tax Rate to September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
- d. Discuss and consider setting date to vote on proposed 2025 Tax Rate – September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
Mayor ProTem Bilinda Prater made a motion to set the date to vote on the proposed 2025 Tax Rate to September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

**7. Executive Session – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section, §551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.**

- a. City Secretary
- b. Director of Public Works
- c. Code Enforcement and Animal Control Manager
- d. Library Manager

No votes or decisions will be made in executive session.

City council entered into executive session at 5:46 p.m.

- 8.** Reconvene Open Session - in accordance with Texas Government Code, consider any action necessary regarding matters discussed in Executive Session.

City Council reconvened open session at 9:08 p.m. No action taken.

- 9.** Budget workshop

- a. Conduct FY 2024-2025 Draft Budget Workshop

A budget workshop was conducted for the FY 2024-2025 Draft Budget.

- 10.** Adjournment

Councilman Stephenson made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.