



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in workshop on Monday, March 23RD, 2026, at 6:30 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Harold Bufe, Eva Cortez, Gary Stephenson, Matt Speer, Tammy Mahan, and Bilinda Prater. Also present were City Staff including Julie Arrington, Krista Adames, Cindy Tapia, Ricky Patterson, and Dwain Read. Members of the public are on the attached sign in sheet.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Mayor Bufe called the meeting to order.
2. Establishing Quorum
A quorum was established.
3. Welcome Guests
Mayor Bufe welcomed the guest.
4. Invocation
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
6. Texas Pledge – “Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.”
7. Discussion
 - a. Building Regulations and Inspections
The council heard a detailed presentation on the history and purpose of the codes, discussing the balance between safety, liability, and economic development with staff and third-party inspectors. The meeting concluded with clear directives for moving forward. The council expressed a preference for adopting the 2024 ICC standards, as this would keep the city current until 2030 and provide a solid foundation for regulations. They supported doing so with local amendments that reflect Abernathy's specific needs and economic realities.
8. Adjournment

Mayor Harold Bufe

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary