



The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in special meeting on Wednesday, July 1, 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, Robert Prater, and Tammy Mahan. Also present were City Staff including Julie Arrington, Krista Adames, Cindy Tapia, Ricky Patterson, Pyne Gregory, Jaden Zavala, and Nadia Micheletti.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
Mayor Bufe called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.
2. Establishing Quorum
A quorum was established.
3. Welcome Guests
Mayor Bufe welcomed the guests.
4. Invocation
Mayor Bufe led the invocation.
5. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag
Mayor Bufe led the 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."
Mayor Bufe led the Texas Pledge.
7. Public Comment
The City Council received public comments from concerned citizens about items 8.c. and 8.d. on the agenda.
8. Discussion/Action
 - a. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an update regarding the Request for Proposal for the purchase of the American Legion Building.
Councilman Prater moved to have all bids be delivered to the mayor to be opened during future Council meetings. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - b. Discuss, consider, and possible action on entering into a contract addendum by and between the City of Abernathy and South Plains Waste Service, LLC.
Councilman Prater moved to accept the contract addendum by and between the City of Abernathy and South Plains Waste Service, LLC. Councilman Stephenson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - c. Discuss, consider, and possible action on entering into a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Abernathy and the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287 (g) Task Force Model.
Councilwoman Mahan moved to table the item. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/1 with Councilman Stephenson voting against.
 - d. Discuss, consider, and possible action on a request from the Animal Control/Code Enforcement Officer to attend the South Plains Association of Governments Police Academy and to add the expenses to the Departmental Training budget.
Councilwoman Mahan moved to table the item. Councilman Speer seconded the motion. The

motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

- e. Budget Workshop and Budget Calendar Discussion.

City Administrator Julie Arrington provided an update on the proposed FY 2026-2027 budget and discussed upcoming dates for future budget meetings.

9. Adjournment

Councilman Stephenson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:36P.M. Councilwoman Cortez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 5/0.

Mayor Harold Bufe

ATTEST

Krista Adames, City Secretary