



The City of Liberty City Council

Special Called Meeting

~ Agenda ~

1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575
www.cityofliberty.org

April Gilliland
City Secretary
936-336-3684

Tuesday, August 25, 2026

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

The City Council of Liberty, Texas reserves the right to meet in closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Mayor John Hebert, Jr.				
Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Dugger				
Council Member Ed Seymour				
Council Member Ross Ward				
Council Member Bruce Bell				
Council Member Nick Dennis				
Council Member Betty Runkle				

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS AND VISITORS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment is reserved for members of the public who would like to address the City Council regarding agenda and non-agenda items. Please be aware that, under Texas Law, the Council may not deliberate or take any action during Citizen's comments for items not on the agenda. In some situations, City Staff may be able to respond to the public comment with a factual statement or clarification. The City Council may have the item placed on a future agenda for action or refer the item to Management and Staff for study or conclusion.

III. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Regular Session

1. Consider a resolution awarding the bid for the Highway 146 Water Plant and authorizing City Manager to negotiate and execute the contract.
2. Consideration and possible direction related to non-recurring expenditures in the current fiscal year budget
3. Presentation of Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget.
4. Set date for a public hearing on the fiscal year 2026-2027 proposed budget
5. Set date for a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2026-2027.
6. Discussion and possible action approving the proposed 2026 tax rate.

7. Consideration and possible action related to the EMS rates and charges
8. Consider a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by up to \$55,000 for inspection, cleaning and repairs to levee flap gates.
9. Consider a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by \$60,000 in support of the Liberty Jubilee.

B. Executive Session

1. **Texas Government Code §551.071 - Private Consultation with Attorney**
Discussion with attorney regarding contemplated/pending litigation and/or regarding matters protected by attorney/client privilege.
2. **Texas Government Code §551.072 - Deliberation Regarding Real Property**
Discussion regarding real property.
3. **Texas Government Code §551.074 - Personnel Matters.**
To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
4. **Texas Government Code §551.087 - Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.**
Discussion regarding economic development negotiations.

C. Reconvene into Regular Session

1. Consider and take possible action on legal matters discussed in the executive session.
2. Consider and take possible action on real estate matters discussed in the executive session.
3. Consider and take possible action on personnel matters discussed in the executive session.
4. Consider and take possible action on economic development matters discussed in the executive session.

IV. ADJOURNMENT**A. Motion To: Adjourn**

I certify that the attached Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board and in the Message Centers located on the east and west sides of the City Hall Administration Building, located at 1829 Sam Houston on the 19th day of August 2026. This notice will remain posted continuously for at least three (3) business days preceding the scheduled day of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

April Gilliland

April Gilliland, City Secretary

NOTICE

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Liberty will provide reasonable accommodation for persons attending and/or participating in this Council Meeting. To better serve you, requests must be made at least 24 hours prior to the meeting. Contact the City at (936) 336-3684 or by Fax at (936) 336-9846. The building is wheelchair accessible, with parking available, on the west side of the building.

I certify that the attached Notice and Agenda of items to be considered by the City Council was removed by me from the bulletin board at the City Hall on the _____ day of _____, ____.

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Consider a resolution awarding the bid for the Highway 146 Water Plant and authorizing City Manager to negotiate and execute the contract.

Department: Water, Wastewater

Subject: Highway 146 Water Plant

Background: On August 11, 2026, nine bids were received, ranging from the apparent low bid of \$8,190,441 to the high bid of \$12,167,600. The low bid of \$8,194,441 was less than the engineer's opinion of the probable construction cost. R& B Group, Inc of Houston is the apparent low bidder at \$8,190.441 and the bid is deemed responsive. The bid tab is enclosed for review.

Funding Source:

Staff Recommendation:



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/2026 6:00 PM

Department: Water, Wastewater
Category: Resolution

Resolution

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS,
AWARDING THE BID FOR THE HIGHWAY 146 WATER PLANT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City of Liberty is currently working to install a new water plant on Highway 146; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on August 11, 2026, for the Highway 146 Water Plant Project; and

WHEREAS, bids ranged from \$8,194,441 to the high bid of \$12,167,600 for the project; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that awarding the bid to the low bidder, R&B Group, Inc. for \$8,190,441 is in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby awards the contract for the Highway 146 Water Plant Project to R & B Group, Inc. for \$8,190,441.00, and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents related thereto.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas, on this the _____ day of August, 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas



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Brenham, TX 77833
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August 18, 2026

Mr. Russell Crawley, Public Works Director
City of Liberty
1829 Sam Houston Street
Liberty, TX 77575

Re: Highway 146 Water Plant
Contract 3-2024
City of Liberty, TX

Dear Russell,

Bids for the above-referenced Project were opened on August 11, 2026. Nine Bids were received with the resulting Bid tabulation enclosed. The low Bid of \$8,190,441 was less than ENGINEER's opinion of probable construction cost.

R & B Group, Inc. of Houston, Texas, was the apparent low Bidder at \$8,190,441. The Bid included a Bid Bond for 5 percent and Addenda No. 1 and No. 2 were acknowledged. The Bid is deemed to be responsive.

Strand Associates, Inc.[®] has not had previous experience with R & B Group, Inc.

If you determine that R & B Group, Inc. is a responsible Bidder after your evaluation of their qualifications, we recommend proceeding with award of the Contract in accordance with Article 14 of the Instructions to Bidders.

Sincerely,

STRAND ASSOCIATES, INC.[®]

William J. Huebner, P.E.

Enclosure

TBPE No. F-8405
TBPLS No. 10030000

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Bids Received: 2 P.M., August 11, 2026

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CITY OF LIBERTY
LIBERTY, TEXAS
HIGHWAY 146 WATER PLANT
CONTRACT 3-2024

BID TABULATION BREAKDOWN

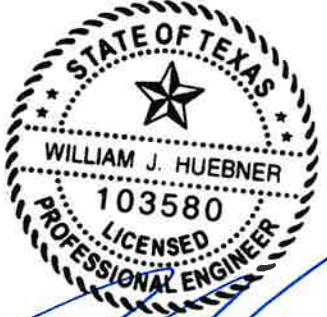
				R & B Group, Inc. 5411 Killough Street Houston, TX 77086		Avila Construction Group, LLC 14310 Northbrook Drive, Suite 230 San Antonio, TX 78232		ALLCO, LLC 6720 College Street Beaumont, TX 77707		Eagle Contracting, LLC 8611 Derrington Road Houston, TX 77064		ZeusCon, LLC 3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 715 Houston, TX 77027		BDS Constructors LLC DBA MK Constructors 16736 Interstate Highway 10 Vidor, TX 77662Vidor, TX 77662		W. W. Payton Corporation P.O. Box 1056 Katy, TX 77492		IECON, Inc. 3100 South Gessner, Suite 105 Houston, TX 77063		Caldwell Tanks, Inc. 4000 Tower Road Louisville, KY 40219	
No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1.	Mobilization		1 LS	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 822,300.00	\$ 822,300.00	\$ 399,000.00	\$ 399,000.00	\$ 451,100.00	\$ 451,100.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 400,000.00	\$ 179,950.00	\$ 179,950.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 472,655.00	\$ 472,655.00	\$ 608,000.00	\$ 608,000.00
2.	Water Well Vertical Turbine Pump and Piping (Well Drilling is Being Completed Under a Separate Contract)		1 LS	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 320,500.00	\$ 320,500.00	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 475,250.00	\$ 475,250.00	\$ 420,000.00	\$ 420,000.00	\$ 464,185.00	\$ 464,185.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 479,751.00	\$ 479,751.00	\$ 305,000.00	\$ 305,000.00
3.	300,000-Gallon Ground Storage Tank		1 LS	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 791,400.00	\$ 791,400.00	\$ 1,172,000.00	\$ 1,172,000.00	\$ 1,221,500.00	\$ 1,221,500.00	\$ 1,115,000.00	\$ 1,115,000.00	\$ 1,159,640.00	\$ 1,159,640.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,332,977.00	\$ 1,332,977.00	\$ 1,608,900.00	\$ 1,608,900.00
4.	300,000-Gallon Elevated Storage Tank		1 LS	\$ 2,675,441.00	\$ 2,675,441.00	\$ 2,704,800.00	\$ 2,704,800.00	\$ 2,900,000.00	\$ 2,900,000.00	\$ 2,652,000.00	\$ 2,652,000.00	\$ 2,550,000.00	\$ 2,550,000.00	\$ 2,641,270.00	\$ 2,641,270.00	\$ 2,985,000.00	\$ 2,985,000.00	\$ 3,005,048.00	\$ 3,005,048.00	\$ 5,756,600.00	\$ 5,756,600.00
5.	Electrical and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition Controls		1 LS	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 967,600.00	\$ 967,600.00	\$ 921,000.00	\$ 921,000.00	\$ 1,031,000.00	\$ 1,031,000.00	\$ 1,050,000.00	\$ 1,050,000.00	\$ 1,563,000.00	\$ 1,563,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,447,085.00	\$ 1,447,085.00	\$ 1,350,000.00	\$ 1,350,000.00
6.	Booster Pumping Station		1 LS	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 979,000.00	\$ 979,000.00	\$ 1,240,000.00	\$ 1,240,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 1,699,000.00	\$ 1,699,000.00	\$ 1,522,450.00	\$ 1,522,450.00	\$ 1,300,000.00	\$ 1,300,000.00	\$ 1,390,616.00	\$ 1,390,616.00	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 1,100,000.00
7.	Chemical Feed Equipment		1 LS	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 109,400.00	\$ 109,400.00	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 99,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 152,040.00	\$ 152,040.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 126,924.00	\$ 126,924.00	\$ 127,800.00	\$ 127,800.00
8.	Site Piping		1 LS	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 686,200.00	\$ 686,200.00	\$ 347,000.00	\$ 347,000.00	\$ 630,000.00	\$ 630,000.00	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 623,665.00	\$ 623,665.00	\$ 1,400,000.00	\$ 1,400,000.00	\$ 734,773.00	\$ 734,773.00	\$ 379,000.00	\$ 379,000.00
9.	Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch		1 LS	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 200,200.00	\$ 200,200.00	\$ 381,000.00	\$ 381,000.00	\$ 221,250.00	\$ 221,250.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 345,000.00	\$ 345,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 463,911.00	\$ 463,911.00	\$ 515,000.00	\$ 515,000.00
10.	Site Work and Clean Up		1 LS	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 800,000.00	\$ 585,000.00	\$ 585,000.00	\$ 593,000.00	\$ 593,000.00	\$ 756,300.00	\$ 756,300.00	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 700,000.00	\$ 576,640.00	\$ 576,640.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 471,578.00	\$ 471,578.00	\$ 385,000.00	\$ 385,000.00
11.	Construction Materials Testing		1 LS	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 51,900.00	\$ 51,900.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 56,250.00	\$ 56,250.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 57,097.00	\$ 57,097.00	\$ 27,300.00	\$ 27,300.00
12.	Cash Allowance: Electrical Service (Section 26 21 00-Electrical Service System)		1 LS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
ENGINEER'S COMPUTED TOTAL ITEMS NO. 1 THROUGH 12					\$ 8,190,441.00		\$ 8,223,300.00		\$ 8,549,000.00		\$ 8,633,400.00		\$ 8,889,000.00		\$ 9,289,090.00		\$ 9,300,000.00		\$ 9,987,415.00		\$ 12,167,600.00
CONTRACTOR'S COMPUTED TOTAL ITEMS NO. 1 THROUGH 12					\$ 8,190,441.00		\$ 8,223,300.00		\$ 8,549,000.00		\$ 8,633,400.00		\$ 8,889,000.00		\$ 9,289,090.00		\$ 9,300,000.00		\$ 9,987,415.00		\$ 12,167,600.00

Reviewed by 

Bids Received: 2 P.M., August 11, 2026																		STRAND ASSOCIATES, INC.® TBPE No. F-8405 TBPLS No. 10030000 1906 Niebuhr Street Brenham, TX 77833			
CITY OF LIBERTY LIBERTY, TEXAS HIGHWAY 146 WATER PLANT CONTRACT 3-2024 BID ALTERNATIVE NO. 1 BREAKDOWN																					
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No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1.	Deduct to Replace Concrete Driveway W/ Asphalt Driveway	1	LS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (5,000.00)	\$ (5,000.00)	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	\$ (90,000.00)	\$ (90,000.00)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (67,000.00)	\$ (67,000.00)	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ 95,200.00	\$ 95,200.00	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 125,000.00
ENGINEER'S COMPUTED TOTAL ITEM NO. 1					\$ -		\$ (5,000.00)		\$ (60,000.00)		\$ (90,000.00)		\$ -		\$ (67,000.00)		\$ (100,000.00)		\$ (95,200.00)		\$ (125,000.00)
CONTRACTOR'S COMPUTED TOTAL ITEM NO. 1					\$ -		\$ (5,000.00)		*\$60,000.00		\$ (90,000.00)		\$ -		\$ (67,000.00) *\$9,222,090.00		\$ (100,000.00)		*\$95,200.00		*\$125,000.00

* CONTRACTOR'S COMPUTED TOTAL

Reviewed by Alex M. Strahan


8/18/26

Bids Received: 2 P.M.
August 11, 2026

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TBPE No. F-8405
TBPLS No. 10030000
1906 Niebuhr Street
Brenham, TX 77833

CITY OF LIBERTY
LIBERTY, TEXAS
HIGHWAY 146 WATER PLANT
CONTRACT 3-2024

BID TABULATION SUMMARY

Bidder and Address	Bid Bond or Guarantee	Addenda Acknowledged	Computed Total Bid	Bid Alternative No. 1
R & B Group, Inc. 5411 Killough Street Houston, TX 77086	5%	Yes	\$8,190,441.00	\$0.00
Avila Construction Group, LLC 14310 Northbrook Drive, Suite 230 San Antonio, TX 78232	5%	Yes	\$8,223,300.00	\$(5,000.00)
ALLCO, LLC 6720 College Street Beaumont, TX 77707	5%	Yes	\$8,549,000.00	\$(60,000.00) *\$60,000.00
Eagle Contracting, LLC 8611 Derrington Road Houston, TX 77064	5%	Yes	\$8,633,400.00	\$(90,000.00)
ZeusCon, LLC 3555 Timmons Lane, Suite 715 Houston, TX 77027	5%	Yes	\$8,889,000.00	\$0.00
BDS Constructors LLC DBA MK Constructors 16736 Interstate Highway 10 Vidor, TX 77662	5%	Yes	\$9,289,090.00	\$(67,000) *\$9,222,090.00
W. W. Payton Corporation P.O. Box 1056 Katy, TX 77492	5%	Yes	\$9,300,000.00	\$(100,000.00)
IECON, Inc. 3100 South Gessner, Suite 105 Houston, TX 77063	5%	No	\$9,987,415.00	\$(95,200.00) *\$95,200.00

Bidder and Address	Bid Bond or Guarantee	Addenda Acknowledged	Computed Total Bid	Bid Alternative No. 1
Caldwell Tanks, Inc. 4000 Tower Road Louisville, KY 40219	5%	Yes	\$12,167,600.00	\$(125,000.00) *\$125,000.00

*CONTRACTOR'S COMPUTED TOTAL

Reviewed by: *Alan McArthur*



CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Consideration and possible direction related to non-recurring expenditures in the current fiscal year budget

Department: Administration

Subject:

Background:

Funding Source:

Staff Recommendation:

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Presentation of Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget.

Department: Administration

Subject: Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget

Background: The City Manager, between 30-60 days prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, shall submit to the City Council a proposed budget (City Charter Section 9.02).

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: n/a

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Set date for a public hearing on the fiscal year 2026-2027 proposed budget

Department: Administration

Subject: Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Public Hearing.

Background: The governing body of a municipality is required to hold a public hearing on the proposed budget. The hearing must be at least fifteen days after the date the proposed budget is filed with the City Secretary and prior to the date that the Council passes the tax levy ordinance. The budget must be passed before the tax levy ordinance can be passed. (LGC §102.006). Any person may attend and/or participate in the hearing.

Funding Source:

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends holding the budget public hearing on September 8, 2026.



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/2026:00 PM

Department: Administration
Category: Resolution

Resolution

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026 – 2027 CITY BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the governing body of a municipality is required to hold a public hearing on the proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, the hearing must be at least fifteen (15) days after the date the proposed budget is filed with the City Secretary and prior to the date that the Council passes the tax levy ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the budget must be passed before the tax levy ordinance can be passed; and

WHEREAS, any person may attend and/or participate in the hearing; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the public hearing, the governing body shall take action on the proposed budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to hold a public hearing on the proposed City budget for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Liberty City Hall located at 1829 Sam Houston Street in Liberty, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas hereby sets a public hearing on the proposed fiscal year 2026 – 2027 City budget to be held at the City Hall of the City of Liberty, Texas, located at 1829 Sam Houston Street, Liberty, Texas, 77575, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2026.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Set date for a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2026-2027.

Department: Finance

Subject: Setting Public Hearing on Tax Rate.

Background: Tax payers must be provided the opportunity to express their views regarding the proposed tax rate. A public hearing on a tax rate may not be held before the 7th day after the date the notice of a public hearing is given. The public hearing on setting the proposed tax rate is scheduled for September 8, 2026.

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the resolution setting the public hearing for the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 on September 8, 2026.



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/20266:00 PM

Department: Finance
Category: Resolution

Resolution

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, SETTING THE DATE, TIME AND LOCATION FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2026 TAX RATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas, establishes a tax rate every year in order to continue providing services to the citizens of Liberty; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers must be provided the opportunity to express their views regarding the proposed tax rate; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the tax rate may not be held before the 7th day after the date the notice of public hearing is given; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to hold a public hearing on the 2026 tax rate for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Liberty City Hall, located at 1829 Sam Houston Street in Liberty, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas, hereby sets a public hearing on the 2026 tax rate for Fiscal Year 2026 – 2027 on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Liberty City Hall, located at 1829 Sam Houston Street in Liberty, Texas.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 25th day of August 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Discussion and possible action approving the proposed 2026 tax rate.

Department: Administration

Subject: Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tax Rate.

Background: The City's current tax rate is \$0.5838 and staff is recommending a tax rate of \$0.5838 for Fiscal Year 2026. Truth in Taxation requires that we have one Public Hearing on the proposed tax rate.

Funding Source: n/a

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the resolution setting the proposed tax rate.



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/2026:00 PM

Department: Administration
Category: Resolution

Resolution

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, A HOME RULE MUNICIPALITY EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, APPROVING THE PROPOSED 2026 TAX RATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Liberty establishes a tax rate every year in order to continue providing services to the citizens of Liberty; and

WHEREAS, the tax rate options are calculated by the Liberty County Tax Assessor/Collector; and

WHEREAS, the City Council must approve a proposed tax rate and have a public hearing to discuss the proposed tax rate prior to setting the tax rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas, hereby approves the proposed 2026 tax rate of 0.5838, being comprised of an M&O rate of 0.3976 and an I&S rate of 0.1862.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 25th day of August 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Consideration and possible action related to the EMS rates and charges

Department: Administration

Subject:

Background:

Funding Source:

Staff Recommendation:

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Consider a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by up to \$55,000 for inspection, cleaning and repairs to levee flap gates.

Department: Community Development

Subject: Amending Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget.

Background: The City of Liberty's flood-control levee (constructed in 1996) includes 28 flap gates.

- The gates remain closed under normal conditions.
- Rising river pressure on the exterior holds them shut.
- Elevated interior water pressure opens them to release water from the city side.

There is no record of a formal inspection or maintenance of these gates since installation.

PIC *(A Local Pipeline Inspection and Construction Company) performed a visual survey in 2025. They have submitted a proposal in the amount of \$1,800 per gate to:

- 1)Clean each crossing;
- 2)Inspect the flood gate; and
- 3)Provide a written report on any repairs that may need to be performed.

If damage prevents successful cleaning/adjustment, PICA will return with a separate estimate for repair or replacement.

Funding Source: Funds are available in the LCDC Budget and Fund Balance.

Staff Recommendation: LCDC approved amending the FY 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by appropriating up to \$55,000 for inspection, cleaning, and minor repairs of the 28 levee flap gates.



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/2026 6:00 PM

Department: Community Development
Category: Action Item

Resolution

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BY THE LIBERTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR INSPECTION, CLEANING AND REPAIRS TO THE LEVEE FLAP GATES.

WHEREAS, the Liberty Community Development Corporation met on August 18, 2026, and voted to approve an expenditure of funds up to \$55,000 from its FY 2025-2026 LCDC Budget for inspection, cleaning and repairs to the levee flap gates; and

WHEREAS, the City of Liberty's flood-control levee (constructed in 1996) includes 28 flap gates which are used to release water from the city side of the levee as needed; and

WHEREAS, the City received a proposal from PIC to clean each crossing, inspect the flood gates, and provide a written report on any repairs that may need to be performed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that inspecting, cleaning and repairing the flap gates on the levee would be in the best interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed improvements to the levee serve a public purpose and are in the best interest of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby approves the expenditure by the Liberty Community Development Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00 for cleaning, inspection and repairs to the levee flap gates.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the improvements described herein.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Liberty, Texas, on this the _____ day of August, 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas

CITY OF LIBERTY

City Council Agenda Item Form

Meeting Date: August 25, 2026

Agenda Wording: Consider a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by \$60,000 in support of the Liberty Jubilee.

Department: Community Development

Subject: Amending Fiscal Year 2025-2026 LCDC Budget.

Background: Liberty Jubilee committee members Luke Liberty and Lindsey Lawrence spoke with LCDC requesting a \$60,000 investment for the 2027 Liberty Jubilee to be held in March 2027. LCDC approved the funding at their August 18th meeting.

Funding Source: Funds are available in the LCDC Budget and Fund Balance.

Staff Recommendation: LCDC approved to amend the FY 2025-2026 LCDC Budget by up to \$60,000 for Liberty Jubilee support.



The City of Liberty

City Council
1829 Sam Houston
Liberty, TX 77575

Meeting: 8/25/2026:00 PM

Department: Community Development
Category: Action Item

Resolution

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS BY THE LIBERTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE 2027 LIBERTY JUBILEE EVENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Liberty Community Development Corporation ("LCDC") met on August 18, 2026 and voted to approve an expenditure of \$60,000.00 from the LCDC's FY 2025-2026 Budget for the 2027 Liberty Jubilee event; and

WHEREAS, the Liberty Jubilee is an annual event hosted by the City of Liberty promoting tourism, economic development, and community quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the Liberty Jubilee event serves a public purpose by attracting visitors to the City, supporting local businesses, and enhancing the quality of life for the citizens of Liberty; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the proposed expenditure is in the best interest of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council hereby approves the expenditure by the Liberty Community Development Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00 for the 2027 Liberty Jubilee event from the FY 2025 – 2026 LCDC Budget.

Section 2. That the appropriate City officials are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the event described herein.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Mayor
City of Liberty, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary
City of Liberty, Texas