



CITY OF ANSON

1301 Commercial Ave
Anson, Texas 79501

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Minutes

Anson City Council Meeting

The Anson City Council met on the 25th day of August 2025 at 6:00pm at the Anson City Hall, 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance Robert Patterson, Misti Seay, Gilbert Baladez (arriving at 6:11pm), and Mayor Pro-tem Linda Powell. Also in attendance Cody Burleson, City Manager Sonny Campbell, Police Chief Daniel Graziouse, and City Attorney Chad Cowan.

Mayor Pro-tem Linda Powell called the meeting to order at 6:09pm and Cody Burleson provided the opening prayer.

A. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).
None.

B. Discuss and take action on the August 11, 2025 City Council Meeting minutes.
Misti Seay motion to approve minutes and Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

C. Discuss and take action on renting the Bluebonnet Softball facility to Ariel Lozano to host a 3-day Benefit Softball tournament from September 12th to September 14th.

Ariel Lozano was in attendance of the meeting and explained that her brother was undergoing health issues and she would like to host a softball tournament to raise funds for his treatments. Ms. Lozano would like to host a 3-day tournament, but for a later date of September 19th -21st, and she anticipates 6-8 twelve-member teams. Robert Patterson motioned to approve renting the Bluebonnet Softball facility to Ariel Lozano for hosting a 3-day softball tournament beginning September 19th 8:00pm-2:00am, September 20th 12:00pm-2:00am, September 21st 12:00pm-5:00pm. There will be no rental fee, but all trash must be picked up and bagged daily. Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

D. Discuss and take action on the appointment of a Municipal Judge. (The Council may adjourn into executive session as allowed in Texas Gov't Code 551.074 Personnel Matters.)

City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that after conducting interviews with multiple candidates it is his recommendation to appoint Cheryl Guernsey as the Anson Municipal Court Judge. City Attorney Chad Cowan raised concerns about Cheryl Guernsey holding both the office of Justice of the Peace and Municipal Court Judge. Misti Seay motioned that City Manager Sonny Campbell offer the position of Municipal Court Judge to Cheryl Guernsey pending City Attorney Chad Cowan's confirmation that she can fulfill both positions simultaneously. Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

E. Discuss and take action on the Industrial Development Corporation providing the Bluebonnet Softball Facility a grant for concession stand and seating improvements.

Robert Patterson motioned to approve the IDC grant to the Bluebonnet Softball Facility for concession stand and seating improvement not to exceed \$15,000, and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.



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F. Discuss and take action on Ordinance No. 959; AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE CITY OF ANSON'S TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS ADOPTING A CHANGE IN THE CITY'S MATCHING RATIO. (Second Reading)

Robert Patterson motioned to approve Ordinance No. 959, and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

G. Discuss and take action on establishing an annual City of Anson Employee Family Kickball Tournament in October.

City Manager Sonny Campbell explained that the event can be added to the City's TML insurance policy for \$403.00. Misti Seay stated she believed this would increase camaraderie between the Police Department, Fire Department, City Council, Public Works, and their families. Linda Powell voiced opposition to the event and did not believe it was a wise expense. Robert Patterson motioned to establish an annual City of Anson Employee Family Kickball Tournament to be held October 18th, 2025, Misti Seay seconded. The motion carried with 3 in favor and one opposed.

H. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.

The Council reviewed the accounts payable and discussed concern with overtime accrual from City Manager Sonny Campbell performing repairs and maintenance outside the scope of responsibilities. The council asked that City Attorney Chad Cowan review the City Manager Contract and determine how best to compensate Sonny for his overtime work. Gilbert Baladez motioned to approve the accounts payable, and Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

I. Adjourn.

Gilbert Baladez motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm and Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.