



**MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 7, 2026**

**SEABROOK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Jim Sweeney called the Seabrook Council Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Council Chambers in Seabrook City Hall. Present were City Councilmembers Jim Sweeney, Buddy Hammann, Tyler Kubena, Jared Sessum, Tom Tollett, Angela Cervantes, Summer Sanford. Also in attendance were: City Manager Gayle Cook, City Secretary Rachel Lewis, and City Attorney David Olson. Pledges were conducted.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Menno Homburg 1900 Shipyard Drive Traffic merging at NASA and SH 146

1.1 Mayor, City Council and/or members of the City staff may make announcements about City/Community events.

Councilmember Kubena made the following event announcements:

Seabrook Trail Adventure on April 18, 2026

Fleet Week Drone Show on April 20, 2026

Beginning of Early Voting on April 20, 2026

Election Day May 2, 2026

Councilmember Cervantes announced a Sexual Assault Awareness Walk on April 9, 2026

1.2 City Manager update and report to City Council on various items that require no action, including Seabrook Boards and Commissions, Transportation Projects, Capital Projects, and other city projects.

City Manager Gayle Cook provided updates on the following:

Planning & Zoning Commission, Ethics Review Commission, Board of Adjustment, and Parks and Trails Committee meetings

EDC planning meeting

Tree Planting on Red Bluff Road

SH 146 project lane openings at Red Bluff to Spencer Road

Rail Removal project

East Meyer Avenue project status

Old Wastewater Plant demolition and leveling

Bayside Pool project concrete pour and awning installation

Fire Training Tower delivery the week of April 8, 2026

Street and pipe repair projects

Fleet Week Drone Show planning

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Mayor Sweeney to present a proclamation to Bay Area Turning Point declaring April, 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month In the City of Seabrook.

Mayor Sweeney presented a proclamation to Grace Kratochvil with Bay Area Turning Point declaring April, 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

- 2.2 Mayor Sweeney to present a proclamation to the City of Seabrook Public Safety Telecommunicators, declaring the week of April 12, 2026 through April 18, 2026 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the City of Seabrook.**

Mayor Sweeney presented a proclamation to Valerie Steiger with the Seabrook Police Department declaring April 12 through April 18, 2026 as Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

- 2.3 Presentation to the City of Seabrook Finance Department in recognition of the receipt of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).**

Mayor Sweeney presented the award to Kathryn Shannahan with the Seabrook Finance Department.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Approve the minutes of the March 17, 2026 City Council Meeting.**

Motion:	To Approve the Consent Agenda
Made By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

4. BID AWARDS

- 4.1 Consider and take all appropriate action on awarding CIP S-29 Lyman Street Reconstruction Project to Eitale Construction LLC with a base bid of \$320,305.15, making them the best value bidder for the project, and allow the City Manager to execute the contract.**

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 3 Tollett
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

5. NEW BUSINESS

- 5.1 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution No. 2026-05 accepting the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Sub-Grant Award (DR-4781-0161) for the City of Seabrook Outdoor Warning Siren System.**

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	At-Large Position 2 Sessum
Seconded By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

- 5.2 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution No. 2026-06 authorizing the submission of a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) application related to**

Hurricane Beryl (DR-4798) for the expansion of the Outdoor Early Warning Siren System and installation of additional warning devices.

Emergency Management Coordinator Kevin Rodgers presented the resolution.

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	At-Large Position 2 Sessum
Seconded By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

- 5.3 Consider and take all appropriate action on the first and final reading of Ordinance No. 2026-12 amending the order for the May 2, 2026 General Election to designate April 21, 2026, as a "No Voting" day for Early Voting due to a state holiday.**

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 3 Tollett
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

- 5.4 Consider and take all appropriate on the first reading of Ordinance 2026-09, Amending Chapter 65, Parks, Recreation and Municipal Facilities and Chapter 90, Traffic and Vehicles, to make rules applicable to electric bicycles and scooters.**

Mayor Sweeney proposed amendments to the ordinance at the second reading to include:

In Sec. 65-23, definition of "Multi-Use Sidewalk," strike "Class 1 and Class 2 Electric Bicycles" and replace with "Electric Bicycles."

In Sec. 65-34, subsection (6), Electric Bicycle Use, strike items (1) and (2) in their entirety, and replace with the following:

"Bicycles and Electric Bicycles are permitted on hike and bike trails unless otherwise posted and shall be operated in accordance with the safety and operational requirements of this section."

In Sec. 65-34 (7)(b)(2), strike:"Electric or motor-driven devices exceeding 750 watts or capable of speeds greater than 28 miles per hour;"

And replace with:

"Any device that does not meet the definition of an Electric Bicycle under Texas law, including devices exceeding 750 watts or capable of speeds greater than 28 miles per hour, shall be considered a motor vehicle and is prohibited on trails and sidewalks."

In Sec. 65-34 (7)(c), strike:"Exceed the minimum speed of ten miles per hour for any motor-driven vehicles within the park." and replace with:

"No person shall operate a bicycle, electric bicycle, or other permitted device on a trail at a speed greater than 15miles per hour, or in a reckless manner.

On sidewalks and multi-use paths, operators shall ride in a safe and prudent manner, at a speed appropriate for conditions, and shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at all times."

In Sec. 65-34, add a new subsection (9) to read:"Micromobility devices, including

motor-assisted scooters, electric skateboards, and self-balancing devices, are prohibited on unpaved or crushed granite trails. Such devices may be operated on sidewalks and designated multi-use paths, except where otherwise posted, provided they are operated in a safe and prudent manner, at a speed appropriate for conditions, and shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at all times. Operators shall reduce speed and, where necessary, dismount when approaching pedestrians."

In Sec. 90-208(5), strike the existing sentence in its entirety and replace with: "A person must be at least 15 years of age to operate a Class 3 Electric Bicycle."

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 3 Tollett
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

Motion:	To Amend with the proposed revisions
Made By:	Mayor Jim Sweeney
Seconded By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

- 5.5 Consider and take all appropriate action on renewal of the License Agreement between the City of Seabrook and Texas Markets for the continued use of City property located at 1209 Main Street, Seabrook, Texas.**
City Manager Cook stated the only change was to extend the agreement for one year.

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	Mayor Pro Tem, At-Large Position 5 Hammann
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Vote:	Passed with Councilmembers Kubena, Sanford, Hammann, Sweeney, Tollett, and Cervantes voting in favor, and Councilmember Sessum voting opposed.

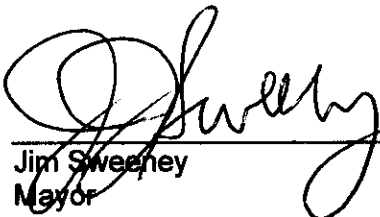
6. ROUTINE BUSINESS

6.1 Establish future meeting dates and agenda items.

City Secretary Rachel Lewis informed Council their next Regular Meeting was scheduled for April 21, 2026 at the Public Works Building on Red Bluff Road.

Hearing no further business, Mayor Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVED:



Jim Sweeney
Mayor

DATE:

4/21/2026

ATTEST:



Rachel Lewis, TRMC
City Secretary