



**MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 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, Jared Sessum, Angela Cervantes, Summer Sanford, Melanie Deemer, Guy Rodgers, Byron Hanssen. Also in attendance were: City Manager Gayle Cook, City Secretary Rachel Lewis, and City Attorney David Olson. Pledges were conducted.

1. PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Presentation by Gulf Coast Protection District (GCPD)

Roger Gunther, President of the Gulf Coast Protection District, provided an overview of the District, its affiliations, history, and mission. He stated that the District encompasses five counties—Harris, Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, and Orange—representing approximately 5.7 million residents and \$554 billion in annual economic activity.

Mr. Gunther reviewed the history of major storms affecting the region and discussed the resulting economic impacts and loss of life. He provided an update on the Coastal Texas Project, including the Galveston Bay Barrier System, Galveston Bay shoreline improvements, and island protection measures. He also discussed current and upcoming projects, engineering and design efforts, federal funding, stakeholder engagement, and the creation of the Coastal Texas Research Council.

1.2 Presentation to recognize the Seabrook Rotary Club for their donation to the City of Seabrook for the refurbishment of the Miramar Rotary Pavilion.

Scott Stillman, President of the Seabrook Rotary Club, presented a donation in the amount of \$19,750 to the City of Seabrook to support the refurbishment of Miramar Rotary Pavilion.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kylie Wilson	2602 Loganberry Circle	Planned Unit Development
Natalie Barry	2225 Water Way	Planned Unit Development
Angie Williams	1513 Lake Mija	Planned Unit Development
Bill Henry	4428 Shady Lake	Planned Unit Development
Joe Machol	Seabrook	Fine collection, procurement, water rates
Will Smith	2305 Lord Nelson	Water main

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

Councilmember Deemer presented the following events:

Pelican Bay Pool Ribbon Cutting on August 22, 2026

Bingo With Badges on August 28, 2026

Councilmember Sessum announced a Seabrook Volunteer Fire Department hosted Blood Drive

2.2 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 updated Council on the following:

Parks & Trails, Economic Development Corporation, Civil Service Commission

Pine Gully Pier demolition

East Meyer Avenue construction

EMS and EOC building addition

Wastewater Treatment Plant demolition

Carothers Garden East Tract Trail System

Bayside Park design

Pelican Bay Pool opening

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Approve the minutes of the August 4, 2026 and August 5, 2026 City Council Meetings.

Motion:	To Approve the Consent Agenda
Made By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 3 Hanssen
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution 2026-14 adopting a Code of Ethics and Conduct for City of Seabrook Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Corporations.

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	At-Large Position 2 Sessum
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 1 Rodgers
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

4.2 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution 2026-15 approving the City of Seabrook Investment Policy.

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 3 Hanssen
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

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- 4.3 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution 2026-16 approving an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between the City of Seabrook, Texas Municipal Court and the Texas Department of Public Safety for use of the Texas Conviction Reporting (TXCR) system, and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Contract on behalf of the City.**
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Motion: To Approve
Made By: At-Large Position 3 Hanssen
Seconded By: At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Vote: **Passed** unanimously by all present

- 4.4 Consider and take all appropriate action on Resolution 2026-17 authorizing an increase in the suggested voluntary donation to support the Public Safety Task Force from \$3 to \$5.**

City Manager Cook informed Council that Public Affairs would provide messaging to inform the public about the program, including information regarding the option to opt out.

Motion: To Approve
Made By: At-Large Position 2 Sessum
Seconded By: At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Vote: **Passed** unanimously by all present

- 4.5 Consider and take all appropriate action on the approval of Task Order # 6 with Duplantis Design Group (DDG) under the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) in an amount not to exceed \$135,120.00 to design CIP S-33 1st Street Reconstruction Project, and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment and all associated documents.**
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Motion: To Approve
Made By: At-Large Position 5 Deemer
Seconded By: At-Large Position 3 Hanssen
Vote: **Passed** unanimously by all present

- 4.6 Consideration and possible action to designate the City's annual Fourth of July Kids' Parade as "The Nancy Jones Kids' Parade."**
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Motion: To Approve
Made By: At-Large Position 2 Sessum
Seconded By: At-Large Position 1 Rodgers
Vote: **Passed** unanimously by all present

- 4.7 Consider and take all appropriate action regarding the property and structure at 3709 NASA Parkway, including consideration of the desired disposition, use, or other action.

Councilmember Hanssen recused himself from consideration of this item and removed himself from the room.

City Manager Cook explained that City resources would be focused on Bayside Park during the near future.

Motion:	To Approve
Made By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 5 Deemer
Vote:	There was no vote taken on this motion

Motion:	To Postpone until more information could be presented
Made By:	At-Large Position 6 Sanford
Seconded By:	At-Large Position 5 Deemer
Vote:	Passed unanimously by all present

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Sweeney did not adjourn into Executive Session so Executive Session items were not considered.

5.1 Conduct a Closed Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections:

551.072 Deliberate and consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located in the City of Seabrook, Texas;

551.071 Consultation with attorney regarding legal matters.

6. OPEN SESSION

No Executive Session was held.

7. ROUTINE BUSINESS

Councilmember Hanssen returned to the meeting.

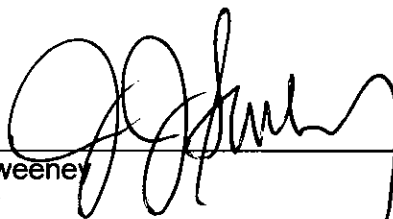
7.1 Establish future meeting dates and agenda items.

City Secretary Rachel Lewis informed Council the next Regular Meeting was scheduled for September 1, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

There being no further business, Mayor Sweeney adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.

APPROVED:

Jim Sweeney
Mayor



DATE: 9/1/2026

ATTEST:

Rachel Lewis, TRMC
City Secretary

