

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
JUNE 16, 2025, MEETING MINUTES**

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a regular meeting on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 6:30 PM at Sachse City Hall, 3815-B Sachse Road. Those present were: Mayor Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor Pro Tem Brett Franks, Councilmember Michelle Howarth, Councilmember Frank Millsap, Councilmember Chance Lindsey, Councilmember Lindsay Buhler, Councilmember Matt Prestenberg.

A. Meeting Opening

1. Call to Order: The City Council of the City of Sachse will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 6:30 PM to consider the following items of business:

Mayor Bickerstaff called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Franks offered the invocation and Councilmember Buhler led the pledges.

B. Recognition

1. Present a proclamation recognizing July 2025 as Parks and Recreation Month in Sachse.

Mayor Bickerstaff presented a proclamation to members of the Parks and Recreation division and Board members to celebrate National Parks and Recreation Month.

C. Public Comment

The public is invited to address Council regarding any topic not already on the agenda for action or public hearing. **Comments regarding the Consent Agenda or any discussion-only items on the agenda may be addressed during this Public Comment section.** The time limit is three minutes per speaker. A Public Comment Card should be presented to the City Secretary prior to the meeting. According to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Council is prohibited from discussing any item not posted on the agenda but will take comments under advisement.

- Sachse resident, James Beacham, addressed Council regarding the "No Truck" routes within the city need more enforcement.
- Sachse resident, Tim Brooks, addressed Council with concerns about the townhomes developing between Third Street and Dewitt Road and the increased traffic that will follow.
- Sachse resident, Tracy Brooks, addressed Council regarding extremist Muslim ideology within the city and the Epic development nearby.

D. Council/Staff Reports and Updates

1. Mayor and City Council announcements regarding special events, current activities, and local achievements.

Councilmember Buhler announced Teen Urban Air Night on June 25; Red, White, and Blue Blast on July 3; and the final Summer Nights Concert Series on August 1. She also recognized the Parks and Recreation teams for their outstanding work on the Heritage Park grand opening, which earned a TAMI award honoring the team's efforts in planning a successful event and creating a welcoming space for the community to enjoy. Councilmember Prestenberg noted that the Animal Shelter is at

capacity. Every kennel is occupied and the shelter is unable to accept new intakes. Large dogs are especially in need of families. He urged people to take home a new family friend and make space for other animals in need. Councilmember Millsap encouraged participation in the Library's Summer Reading Program; the David Slick magic show on June 24; and the June 25 Monthly Book Talk.

Ms. Nash highlighted the City's Core Value of "Excellence" in action with Fire-Rescue earning the American Heart Association's 2025 Mission: Lifeline® EMS Gold Award, recognizing excellence in providing timely, evidence-based care for people experiencing life-threatening situations. The core value is also evident with the City receiving a TAMI Award for Best One-Time Special Event for the Heritage Park Grand Opening, presented by the Texas Association of Municipal Information Officers (TAMIO). She thanked Communications Strategist Esther Weaver and the Leisure Services team for their outstanding work.

Mayor Bickerstaff announced that City offices would be closed on June 19 in observance of Juneteenth. He shared that he was selected to serve as Vice President of the Metroplex Mayors Association, which is a group of mayors from across North Texas working together to strengthen the region. He also offered condolences to the family of former Mayor Pro Tem Bob Jones, who passed away on June 6 at the age of 89 and was instrumental in bringing the City's first outdoor warning system online.

E. Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items are routine or administrative in nature, have been discussed previously at a Council meeting, and/or do not warrant discussion. Council will act upon these items with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember requests the item be removed from the consent agenda. **If you have comments related to items on the Consent Agenda, please address them in the Public Comment section of the meeting.**

1. Approve the June 2, 2025, meeting minutes.
2. Authorize the City Manager or their designee to approve the purchase of computers from GTS Technology Solutions for \$113,421.40 using the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) purchasing cooperative.
3. Approve and adopt a resolution to renew the Dallas County 2025 Hazard Mitigation Action Plan; and providing for an effective date.
4. Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the Site Lease Agreement between the City of Sachse and GTP Towers IV, LLC with a current expiration date of January 31, 2026, for the leased premises generally located at 6232 State Highway 78 Sachse, Texas 75048 for a lease extension of 18 months expiring on July 31, 2027.
5. Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Alman Construction Services, LP, for an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand, One Hundred Sixty and No/100 Dollars (\$554,160.00) to provide the replacement of the Public Safety building generators with one 500 kW industrial generator and purchase a portable diesel 200 kW generator that can be used as needed for emergencies on or off site.
7. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a contract with GT Construction and VLEX Construction for the 2025 Annual Concrete Contract for an amount not to exceed Three Million and No/100 Dollars (\$3,000,000.00).

Councilmember Buhler requested Item number six be removed from the consent agenda. Councilmember Howarth made a motion to approve the consent agenda minus item six. Councilmember Prestenberg seconded the motion, and it carried 7 - 0. None voted against.

F. Action Items

6. Authorize the City Manager to execute and award the construction contract for the City of Sachse Public Works Pump Station Improvement Project, W-24-16, to Mayim Municipal Builders, LLC in the amount of Four Million, Six Hundred Eighty-One Thousand, Four Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$4,681,400.00).

Councilmember Buhler removed item number six to ask why the contract was significantly higher than the estimate. Mr. Nesbit responded that the engineers give their best estimate, but sometimes bids come back higher. He noted that the overage will be covered by the Utility Fund.

Councilmember Buhler made a motion to approve the item as presented. Councilmember Lindsey seconded the motion, and it carried 7 - 0. None voted against.

G. Discussion Items

These items are for Council and staff to discuss as needed. **Comments on Discussion Items should be addressed in the Public Comment Section of this meeting.**

1. Receive an update from Baker Tilly showing additional market placement scenarios to guide the compensation study implementation strategy.

Baker Tilly Manager, Sarah Towne, reviewed the status of the compensation study and discussed the market and implementation options. She explained the implementation scenarios as well as the cost of each option. Councilmembers discussed their thoughts on the plans, market placement ideology, and educational incentives.

Councilmember Howarth is concerned about the budget implications in the future. She prefers a match-market for unsworn employees and a lead-market for public safety. Councilmember Millsap would like consideration for associate degrees and thinks a lag-market is smarter. Mayor Pro Tem Franks prefers a lead-market for all employees. Councilmember Prestenberg would like to see affordable options included in the budget presentation before providing his opinion. Councilmember Lindsey would like Sachse to be a lead-market with the 3b implementation option. Councilmember Buhler also prefers the 3b option. Mayor Bickerstaff would like to see a lead- or match-market with 3b implementation option but needs to see the impact on the budget. Ms. Nash explained that she will provide scenarios during the budget process for Council to consider.

2. Receive a revised presentation on the results of the 2024 Stormwater Rate Study (D-24-20) findings.

Director of Public Works and CIP Corey Nesbit discussed stormwater rate schedule options based on the recent study. He emphasized the many drainage and stormwater projects throughout the city that need to be addressed, and the current rate model does not provide enough funds to complete them. Ideally, the stormwater rate should fund the projects. The desired level of service and improvement in the drainage system is reflected in the rate schedule.

Councilmember Prestenberg thinks the presented schedule is insufficient and starting with a six- or seven-dollar monthly fee will help make some much-needed progress. Nobody likes raising fees, but major stormwater issues in the community are even more challenging. Councilmember Howarth noted that drainage has been neglected for too long and the City is now playing "catch-up." Councilmember Buhler thinks the stormwater fund needs to cover the necessary projects; therefore, the higher starting fee of six or seven dollars a month is important to provide basic amenities. Mayor Pro Tem Franks agreed that starting the schedule at six dollars would get the

fund closer to breaking even. Ms. Nash mentioned that scenarios will be provided during the budget process.

3. Receive the 2024 Leisure Services year in review presentation.

Recreation Manager Cynthia Wiseman reviewed the accomplishments of the Parks group, which include the installation of pickleball courts, the grand opening of Heritage Park, and other new facilities. She discussed the accomplishments of the Recreation group, which include increased hours and programming for the community. She gave some insight into what to expect in 2025, such as monthly celebration days, free class week, and family event opportunities. Councilmembers thanked the Leisure Services Department for their hard work and excellence.

H. Executive Session

1. The City Council will convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code for the purpose of seeking legal consultation with the City Attorney regarding Section 363.112(a) of the Texas Health and Safety Code and City Ordinance No. 3980 prohibiting the processing or disposal of solid waste.
2. The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section §551.074 Personnel Matters: Regarding the mid-year review of the City Secretary.

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the Council to Executive Session at 8:14 PM.
The Council returned to Regular Session at 9:22 PM.

I. Action Resulting from Executive Session

Action items are for Council discussion and consideration for action. **The Mayor will invite comments before the Council votes.** A Public Comment Card should be given to the City Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

1. Take any action as a result of Executive Session regarding Section 363.112(a) of the Texas Health and Safety Code and City Ordinance No. 3980 prohibiting the processing or disposal of solid waste.

No action was taken.

2. Take any action as a result of Executive Session regarding the mid-year review of the City Secretary.

No action was taken.

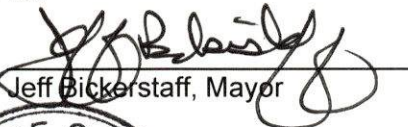
J. Adjournment

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the meeting at 9:23 PM.

ATTEST:


Leah K Granger, TRMC, City Secretary




Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor