

**CITY OF EMORY
MINUTES FOR A
PUBLIC HEARING AND THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 10, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Emory met on the 10th day of MARCH 2026, at 6:45 p.m. for a Public Hearing and 7:00 pm for a Regular City Council Meeting with the following members present Mayor Earl Hill III, Mayor Pro-Tem Blake Cooper, Lori Honeycutt, Travis Potts, and Jacob Roan. Others Present: Planning and Zoning Chairman Landon Williams, James and Ranae Bryan, Katelyn Green, Tyler Creamer with Hayter Engineering, Breanna and Harper Demps, Brenda Murphy, Jennifer Hill. City Administrator / EDC Director Leah Drown, City Accountant Janice Nobles, Emory PD Administrative Assistant Gwen Peterson, Chief of Police Cameron Demps, Officer Robert Johnson, Municipal Court Judge C. Bounds and City Secretary Donna Raper.

Meeting called to order by 7:00 pm.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing was held regarding a rezoning change request submitted by James and Ranae Bryan for the property located at 726 W. Lennon Dr. Emory, Texas 75440. The Request is to change the zoning classification from Residential to Commercial (C1).

Invocation and Pledges

Mayor Earl Hill III led the pledges, and Blake Cooper gave the invocation

Presentation

Officer Cameron Demps took Oath of Office for the Chief of Police Position for the Emory Police Department.

Public Comments

N/A

Consent Agenda

1. and 2. Motion made by Jacob Roan, seconded by Travis Potts approving February 10, 2026, with the correction of the minutes and the payment of the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Items for Consideration and / or Action

1. Departmental Updates:
 - a. Cameron Demps- City of Emory Police Chief
 - i. Monthly reports for the Emory Police Department
 - ii. Hired a new Patrol Officer and Reserve.

responded. Approximately 800 gallons of water was run with the jet machine. It was disinfected with Lyme following protocol and cleaned up affected area. The crew dug a trench to prevent any waterflow or back up to her home. They opened the clean out to prevent water back up into home as well. It was also discovered that an area of the line was completely stopped up with frozen grease. The affected area was cut out and replaced with new pipe. On Monday, while on his day off for President's Day, Andy Roberts reported the incident to TCEQ even though a report is not required. All was in line with TCEQ standards and the city passed all protocols.

- vii. The Employee of the month is Justin Keyes aka Junior. He is a great asset to the team.
2. The City Council reviewed and considered approving Hayter Engineering Water Supply Study report. Tyler Creamer presented the report results. Motion was made by Blake Cooper to accept the report from Hayter Engineering and seconded by Jacob Roan. All were in favor.
3. The City Council reviewed and considered the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the zoning change located at 726 W. Lennon Dr. Emory TX 75440 to change from Residential to Commercial (C1). Mayor Hill asked for a show of hands for approval. All were in favor
4. The City Council to review and consider approving a Resolution for Texas- New Mexico Power Company's application to change rates within the city. Blake Cooper made the motion to pass this resolution to pass this agreement on arbitration rates seconded by Travis Potts. All were in favor.
5. The City Council to discuss and approve Annual Racial Profiling Report for Emory Police Department. Motion was made by Lori Honeycutt and seconded by Jacob Roan. All were in favor.
6. The City Council discussed moving forward with City Administrator, Leah Drown, updating the City of Emory Administrative Policy. No action needed.

Executive Session

N/A

Adjournment

Blake Cooper made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jacob Roan. Mayor Hill adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Attest:


Donna Raper
City Secretary



Mayor, City of Emory