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NOTICE OF WORKSHOP AND CALLED MEETING
LORENA CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025 6:30 P.M.
LORENA CITY HALL
107-A S. FRONTAGE ROAD, LORENA TEXAS

THE PUBLIC WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN THE MEETING BY VIDEOCONFERENCING
AT THE FOLLOWING LINK <https://meet.goto.com/304926765>

The City Council Meeting will be opened to the public.

Questions and comments on items listed on the agenda may be emailed no later than NOON on the day of the meeting to the City Secretary Monica Hendrix via email to mhendrix@lorenatx.gov

WORKSHOP MINUTES

1. Call to order/Roll Call

Mayor Walizer called the workshop to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were Mayor Russell Walizer, Jason Blanek, Emily McKenzie, Adam Montemayor and Carla Pendergraft. Kelly Yarbrough arrived at 6:54 p.m.

City Staff present were Monica Hendrix, Kyler Jones, Linda Klump, Kevin Neal, Scott Holt and Peter Rivas.

2. Presentation and discussion of proposed 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Budget.

City Manager Kevin Neal and Finance Officer Linda Klump presented a balanced budget to the council. Neal reviewed the significant changes in the budget to the council. Emily McKenzie had questions about several line items in the budget and Neal and Klump answered all her questions.

3. Adjourn.

The budget workshop adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Please note: No public comments will be heard during the workshop, and no vote will be held.

CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
(Immediately following the workshop)

CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.

Mayor Walizer called the meeting to order at 8:27 p.m. All council members and staff were still present.

2. Public comments.

At this time any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes, and this time is not transferable. Under the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Council is prohibited from discussing, responding, or acting on any comments or items that have not been properly posted on the agenda. This forum is limited to a total of 30 minutes.

None.

3. Discussion and possible action setting the 2025 proposed property tax rate.

Motion: Jason Blanek moved to set the 2025 property tax rate at .563934.

Second: Adam Montemayor

For: Jason Blanek, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough, Emily McKenzie and Adam Montemayor.

Against: None

Motion carried 5-0.

4. Discussion and possible action setting the date for the tax rate and budget public hearings.

Motion: Kelly Yarbrough moved to set the tax rate and budget public hearing date for August 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Second: Emily McKenzie

For: Jason Blanek, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough, Emily McKenzie and Adam Montemayor.

Against: None

Motion carried 5-0.

5. Discussion and possible action setting the date to adopt the 2025 tax rate and the 2025-2026 fiscal Year Budget.

Motion: Emily McKenzie moved to set the date to adopt the 2025 tax rate and 2025-2026 Fiscal Year budget on September 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Second: Adam Montemayor

For: Jason Blanek, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough, Emily McKenzie and Adam Montemayor.

Against: None

Motion carried 5-0.

6. Adjourn

Due to no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

These minutes were approved on this 15th day of September 2025.

Russell Walizer
Russell Walizer, Mayor

Attest:

Monica Hendrix
Monica Hendrix-City Secretary

