



CITY OF INGRAM

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular Meeting
July 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Ingram City Hall
226 Hwy 39, Ingram, Texas

ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE

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CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Ingram, Texas, was called to order by Mayor Claud B. Jordan, Jr. at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION / PRAYER

A prayer was offered by Mayor Jordan.

ROLL CALL

Presiding Officer:

Mayor Claud B. Jordan, Jr.

Council Members Present:

Mayor Pro Tem Rocky Hawkins

Council Member Christopher McLachlan

Council Member Brandon Dechert

Council Members Absent:

Council Member Ray Howard

Council Member Robert Kimbrough

City Staff Present:

Jacqueline Grubb, City Secretary

Dustin Breshears, Chief of Police

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Jordan recognized Lowe's, SunCoast-Karly and Charlie Cady, Fuel Relief Fund and Jake Endresen, and community volunteers for assistance provided to the City during recent flood response and recovery efforts.

2. VISITORS / CITIZENS FORUM

Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes. Speakers must state their name and city of residence for the record. Comments must be directed to the Council as a body. No action may be taken on items not posted on the agenda. The Mayor may adjust time limits based on the number of speakers.

Speaker: Cindy Gaskell

Spoke briefly regarding drainage and runoff concerns affecting property at 320 Highway 39 and requested future Council consideration.

Speaker: Steve Thomas

Mr. Thomas requested that the vendor and quantity be identified when the City Hall chair purchase item was considered.

ACTION: No action taken.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consideration & Possible action on approval of Meeting Minutes 6-18-2026

B. Consideration & Possible action on approval of Workshop Meeting Minutes 6-30-2026

MOTION: Council Member Dechert moved to approve the workshop meeting minutes as presented.

SECOND: Second made by Council Member Hawkins.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Consideration and Possible action regarding drainage issue at 223 Second Street (Pena)

Council reported the site had been inspected and discussed clearing the affected drainage area to improve water flow.

ACTION: Staff direction was provided; no formal motion was recorded.

B. Goldberg: 141 Ingram Hills Rd. De-Annexation Petition

A property owner presented a petition requesting de-annexation of the property. Council noted the matter was under review by the City Attorney.

ACTION: No action taken; legal review to continue.

C. Consideration and possible action to have Council Member Rocky Hawkins continue as Mayor Pro Tem.

MOTION: To continue Council Member Rocky Hawkins as Mayor Pro Tem.

SECOND: Not clearly captured in the transcript.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously.

D. Consideration and possible action on approval of date of this year's Lighted Christmas Parade Date 12-5-2026

MOTION: Council Member McLachlan moved to approve December 5, 2026, as the date of the Lighted Christmas Parade.

SECOND: The second was made by Council Member Hawkins.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously.

E. Consideration and possible action on launch of Blue Santa program on September 15, 2026

MOTION: To approve the launch of the Blue Santa Program on September 15, 2026.

SECOND: Not clearly captured in the transcript.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously.

F. Consideration and possible action regarding the purchase of chairs for City Hall - \$7800 or less including delivery.

ACTION: No action was recorded in the transcript provided.

G. Consideration and possible action on submission of grants for the Police Department

Chief Breshears requested authorization to submit the COPS grant and an additional Police Department grant to support staffing and related costs.

MOTION: To authorize submission of the Police Department grant applications as presented.

SECOND: Not clearly captured in the transcript.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously.

H. Consideration of Public Workshop data collection

ACTION: No separate action was recorded in the transcript provided.

I. Consideration of continued discussion on EDA Grant progress and direction.

Chris Hughes presented the status of the proposed \$4 million EDA project, including Old Ingram Loop improvements and a roadway component. Council discussed matching

requirements, floodplain and long-term maintenance considerations, and the need to prioritize road and drainage improvements.

Engineering representatives reviewed preliminary roadway estimates. Council directed that the road list and estimates be revisited with emphasis on priority streets and practical drainage improvements.

MOTION: Council Member Dechert moved to proceed with the EDA grant application and a City commitment of \$50,000 in matching funds, contingent upon grant and partner funding.

SECOND: Not clearly captured in the transcript.

RESULT: Motion carried following a tie vote.

VOTE: Mayor Jordan cast the tie-breaking vote in favor; Council Member Hawkins voted opposed.

5. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution to move forward with Police Department COPS Grant Application

ACTION: No separate resolution vote was required. Authorization to submit the COPS grant was approved under Agenda Item 4.G.

B. Resolution to move forward with Texas Parks grant

ACTION: Item tabled as it conflicted with other grants related to City park.

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. Police Department: Chief Dustin Breshears

Chief Breshears summarized Police Department flood-response activity, including rescue operations and vehicle losses, and thanked 4 Play Customs for providing an LMTV that assisted rescue operations. He reported 24 arrests and 135 traffic stops since the prior Council meeting.

ACTION: Report received; no action required.

B. Code Enforcement: Stuart Gross

ACTION: No report.

C. Admin/Finance: Jacqueline Grubb

The City Secretary reported that staff had begun preparation of the upcoming budget and was reviewing contracts, software modules, printing costs, and connectivity services for potential savings and improved financial reporting.

ACTION: Report received; no action required.

7. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Council identified potential future items including the drainage concern at 320 Highway 39, continued EDA grant and street-prioritization follow-up, and the de-annexation petition following legal review.

ACTION: No action taken.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:29 p.m., Mayor Jordan announced that the Council would recess to Executive Session under Texas Government Code §551.071 regarding the posted consultations with the City Attorney concerning roads and flood issues.

9. OPEN SESSION: Action on items discussed in executive session

ACTION: No action following Executive Session was recorded in the transcript provided.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

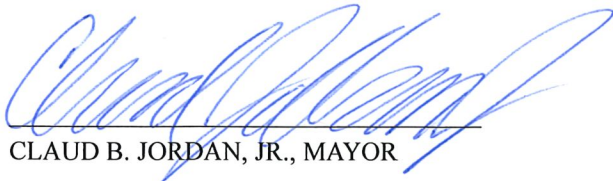
SECOND: Not clearly captured in the transcript.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

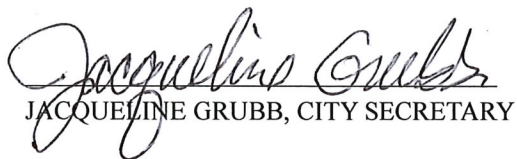
These minutes were approved by the City Council of the City of Ingram, Texas, on 8/17/26.

APPROVED:


CLAUD B. JORDAN, JR., MAYOR

8/17/26
DATE:

ATTEST


JACQUELINE GRUBB, CITY SECRETARY

8/17/2026
DATE: