

Austwell City Council Regular Meeting

February 18, 2026

The City of Austwell met for a Regular Meeting on February 18, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Biery called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Biery welcomed everyone.

Council Meeting

Item # 4

Public Comments:

Judge Gigi Poynter said a prayer.

Michael Branecky reported there will be a Citywide Workday on 03/14/2026 at City Park.

Item # 5

Staff Reports:

Secretary Barbara Merchant read the financial reports.

Rene Rodriguez read the water usage report.

Commissioner Wolfshohl – Did not attend. Judge Gigi Poynter reported that the pier work will begin in late March or April due to the tides and should be completed in six or seven months

Animal Control – Did not attend, no activity in Austwell in January 2026.

Council Member Ancira made a motion to accept the staff reports.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Item # 6

Approve Minutes for January 21, 2026, Regular Meeting

Council Member Torres made a motion to accept the 01/21/26 minutes as written.

Council Member Ancira seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Items # 7

Update Project Agreement Contract with the Nueces River Authority to Include Final Approval of Loan Package for WWTP.

Council Member Torres made a motion to table the discussion.

Council Member Ancira seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Item #8

Approve and Sign Matagorda Bay Mitigation Trust Grant Contract

Council Member Ancira made a motion to approve and sign the Contract.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Item # 9

Downtown Revitalization Interlocal Agreement with Nueces River Authority

Resolution to Follow.

Council Member Ancira made a motion to move forward with the interlocal agreement.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Item # 10

Waving 30 Day Maximum Stay at RV Park for Aransas Refuge Contractor

Council Member Torres made a motion to approve waving the 30-day maximum stay for the Aransas Refuge Contractor.

Council Member Ancira seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Item # 11

Granting Estate of Phillip Sawyer Use of 2 Acre Lot Adjacent to Well #2 for Staging and Cleanup Effort in Preparation for Estate Sale/Auction

Council Member Ancira made a motion to accept the use of the 2 acre lot for the Phillip Sawyer Estate Sale/Auction.

Council Member Torres seconded the motion.

All ayes, motion carries.

Adjourn

Adjournment at 7:11 PM