

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
April 21, 2026
CITY HALL
121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Truman called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ron Colbert, Amy Reid , Gina Gregory, Jeanne Daniels, and Matt Stamm.

Members Absent: Chris Evans, Ben Anderson & Eric Scriven

Staff Present: Lloyd Newman, Public Safety Director
Kyle Fiedler, Community Development Director
Neal Owings, Parks and Public Buildings Director
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Clint Miller, Finance Director
Amanda Park, City Clerk/HR Director
Cyndra Kastens, City Administrator

Press present: Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Stamm moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Gregory. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA –

Colbert moved to approve the minutes of April 7, 2026, regular City Council meeting as presented, seconded by Reid. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

Roger Stewart presented the Tree City USA certificate and the history of the program. This is the 25th year for the City of Valley Center.

Mayor Truman read the Arbor Day Proclamation declaring April 24, 2026, Arbor Day for the City of Valley Center.

PUBLIC FORUM –

Gary Goertz discussed a conflict of ownership between the city and himself on the west side of his property and sought further direction.

Tim McNeeley had concerns regarding Code Enforcement related to his property.

APPOINTMENTS – None

OLD BUSINESS –

A. ORDINANCE #1443-26:

Community Development Director Fiedler presented Ordinance #1443-26 for 2nd reading. This will amend the Valley Center City Code Book to provide consistency in sign regulations for residential districts. Reid moved to approve ordinance #1143-26. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

B. DISCUSSION OF BRUSH PILE:

Public Works Director Eggleston presented brush pile options. After much discussion, Reid moved to table any discussions until the next council meeting. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

C. UPDATE HB 2745/2043 AS IT PERTAINS TO VALLEY CENTER DEBT/BONDING:

Administrator Kastens updated the council on the status of HB2043. She further informed the council on the impact on current projects due to the delays in receiving the temporary note funding as an affect of these legislative bills.

NEW BUSINESS-

A. CITY PROMOTIONAL SERVICES RFP

Community Development Director Fiedler presented the RFP (request for proposals) for 2026 Promotional/ Advertising Services. Stamm made motion to approve the RFP, seconded by Daniels. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried

B. REQUEST FOR THE USE OF 225 W MAIN & FARMER'S MARKET SIGNAGE IN THE ROW:

Community Development Director Fiedler requested the use of 225 W Main for the Farmer's Market for 2026 as well as allowing the placement of Farmer's Market signage in the ROW from May 7th through September 2026. Reid made motion to approve the request for the placement of Farmer's Market signage in the ROW as well as the use of 225 W Main for the 2026 Farmer's Market for the 2026 season. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

C. STEARMAN TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Public Works Director Eggleston presented a temporary construction easement for construction of the city raw water line at 505 S Sheridan in the amount of \$1,353.41. Stamm made a motion to approve the Temporary Construction Easement and approve the Mayor to sign. Motion seconded by Colbert. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

D. SHARP TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Public Works Director Eggleston presented a temporary construction easement for construction of the city raw water line at 417 S Sheridan in the amount of \$646.41. Gregory made a motion to approve of Temporary Construction Easement and approve the Mayor to sign. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

E. RIO BELLA CHANGE ORDER #3

Public Works Director Eggleston presented change order #3 for a class 1 Erosion Control Mat for slope protection. Colbert made a motion to approve Rio Bella change order #3 in the amount of \$1,050.00 and approve Mayor to sign. Motion seconded by Reid. Vote: yea; unanimous. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – April 15, 2026

Stamm motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Colbert,
Vote: Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR FIELDER

Main Street America and Kansas Main Street will be here May 6, 2026, they will be here all day. They are looking for governing body members to attend this meeting at 10:00AM, 11:00AM or 2:00pm.

PARKS & PUBLIC BUILDINGS DIRECTOR OWINGS

Public Property & Outdoor Spaces board has been meeting for the last couple of months and has created a cemetery subcommittee. They will have a presentation in May 2026 for concepts for Reserve E looking for ideas for budgeting purposes.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR EGGLESTON

City of Valley Meridian Ave project has been selected as the 2026 recipient of the WSPE outstanding engineering achievement award. City Administrator Kastens and I have been invited to an awards banquet in May.

FINANCE DIRECTOR MILLER

The city will be upgrading our server to a cloud base system. This will start on Wednesday April 26th at 9:00am until they are finished. City Hall will not have phones or computers during this time. I have had a councilmember request a computer/tablet for the use of reading the agenda. If this is something that you want, please let me know.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR KASTENS

The city did not receive the award from WAMPO for 2028 to 2030. We will continue to save for match and reapply. We are going to start the internal replacement of Seneca. Change order review is still underway.

MAYOR TRUMAN

Rodney, good job on the brush pile with lots of research and more to do. Farmers market is coming up and they just keep getting bigger every week. It is for the community and the vendors I just want to encourage everyone to attend.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS –

COUNCILMEMBER REID

I want to give a shout out to The Valley Center Animal League. I started volunteering with them, it is a great organization. Pathway Church came and did some huge upgrades over the weekend. We have some really sweet dogs.

Stamm moved to adjourn, second by Gregory. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN -

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Amanda Park, City Clerk