

NOTICE SPECIAL SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF EAST MOUNTAIN, TEXAS CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM TUESDAY August 12, 2025 8:00 A.M.

All agenda items are subject to action. The City of East Mountain Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters below, with respect to and as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071,.072,.074 and .087

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Budget Workshop-Mayor Marc Covington
- 2. Adjournment

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board outside of City Hall, City of East Mountain, TX, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times, on the 8th day of August, 2025 by 1:30pm and remained posted for at least 72 continuous hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting



City Council Special Meeting Budget Workshop August 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am by Mayor Marc Covington. The invocation was given by Mr. Marc Covington. All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Those council members present were: Mr. Eugene Brown, Mr. Danny Medlin and Mr. Terry Johnson. Mr. Paul Barber was absent.

Agenda Item One: Budget Workshop

Let each council member know what the different highlighted sections are on the budget list.

The question was asked about having an ordinance for over-sized trucks on city roads. Stephen will look into getting new signs and then can enforce the ordinance.

Started off with going over the water: fees may go up a little bit next year. Interest changes monthly. Late fees changes monthly. Trash service will increase due to increase. Mr. Eugene Brown if that doesn't just wash and Mayor mentioned that we do make some off it. New meters installed may increase due to people moving in. Transfer fees will increase due to a 40.00 increase.

Water will increase due to school being added, Rv park on FM 1844, new duplexes going in, across from Mayor new rv park going in. BJ is also adding more new trailer houses. Mr. Terry Johnson says there would be a 14% increase.

Expenses should stay about the same. Building maintenance will probably go up due to needing floors redone. Computers and wiring will go up do to having to have new computers and wiring rerun. Had a computer company to come out and they gave us a quote and it has it all broke down. This company help manager our systems, can call them when we have a issue. They will be able to log in to our system and help fix it.

Mowing should go down when other building doesn't need to be mowed.

Dues, fees and subscriptions need to be raised. Education and training has gone up due to so many different laws and bills have come up.

Uniforms, office has shirts now. Election account pays for city election. Insurance on new tank will come later. Lease agreement on copier and includes the ink for copier. Office supplies will

be close to the same. Mr. Danny Medlin ask how often the judge comes and we let him know its only once a month now. Linda usually has 25 on docket each month, depends on Chief. Wages-increase this year. Postage will increase due to increase in mailing. Professional feesaudit divided between each group. Lawyer fees should go down. Mr Eugene Brown ask what professional fees-account were. They are for account calls, which hasn't been used in about 2 years. Insurance has gone down due to we getting our own.

Court- Income from franchise fees, disbursement, inv-payment should increase next year. Property should go up due to more homes coming to the area.. It was asked about putting Linda on full time since she is already working 36 hrs a week which is considered full time. They agreed that she should be and pay her insurance and she will get the holidays and vacation pay. With the increase in paid citations the comptroller fees will increase. Mentioned that roads should go up to 75,000 next year.

Police- Chief has ask for another officer to increase patrol which will bring in more income. He went thru how they would be an asset by hiring one. The new office would patrol at all times and their days could be different than his. It would put an officer in the city 7 days a week and some evenings.

We will return on August 26,2025 to over budget another time after changes have been made.

Agenda Item Two: Adjourn

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Danny Medlin made motion to adjourn, Mr. Eugene Brown second. Vote was unanimous. Adjourned at 10:30am

Mayor, Marc Covington

City Secretary, Lisa Stewart