



City of Spring Branch

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**Minutes of City Commission Meeting
City of Spring Branch, Texas**


October 13, 2025

**Meeting was held at Fire Station #6, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, Tx
78070**

- 1) Call to order at 6:35 PM. Present were Mayor James Mayer, Commissioner Brad Hockman and City Clerk Terrie Barnes. David Dobbins is absent. Quorum met.**
 - a) Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2) Mayor Mayer reviewed and moved to waive reading aloud of the September minutes. Commissioner Hockman second and the September minutes were unanimously approved. No opposed.**
- 3) The Financial report for the month ending September 2025 was read by Mayor Mayer.**
- 4) Discuss and review draft of comprehensive sign ordinance. Mayor Mayer noted we put a Lighting Ordinance in place, in 2021 to protect Dark Sky's. At that time, we did not take any action on a more comprehensive sign structure or ordinance to manage that. Since 2021, we've had some very high pole signs go in, and the public feedback has not been good. The emphasis of this Ordinance is to manage over-height, over-size, and obnoxious signs along Hwy 281. This is a fairly restrictive ordinance our attorney drafted, however, we will not vote on tonight but will**

continue to have ongoing conversations on. So far, the most input has been to omit residential signage from ordinance and focus on commercial signs, electronic signs, location, size, enforcement and consequences. Electronic signs are the most unappealing and are a driving safety hazard especially at night. Again, mentioning this is a work in progress and he will reach out to the city attorney to revise and narrow down the ordinance before it is brought to a vote. Ultimately, we want to protect our Night Skys and don't want to see things that aren't natural in the area.

- 5) Discuss and consider Valvoline replacement sign permit. Valvoline did not submit permits in time for meeting. Mayor Mayer requested we table consideration until we receive their Sign Permit Application.
 - 6) Discuss and consider Spring Branch Proclamation naming October 2025 as "Hill Country Night Sky Month". Michelle Molina with Comal County Friends of Night Sky given appreciation plaque by Mayor Mayer in appreciation of her dedication to Night Sky in Spring Branch.
- 7) There being no further public comment on agenda items, the meeting adjourned at 7:11pm.


Approved - James Mayer, Mayor
Attest - Terrie Barnes, City Clerk