



# Agenda Item Report

**Legislative Board:** City Council  
**Date:** June 2, 2026  
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**ITEM TITLE:** Deliberation and possible action to consider an Ordinance on first and final reading and to adopt an Ordinance repealing Ordinance #2002-0820 and establishing a new Ethics Ordinance for the City of Buda (City Manager Micah Grau and City Attorney Alan Bojorquez) [PUBLIC TESTIMONY]

## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of this ordinance would adopt a new ethics ordinance for the City of Buda, applicable to City Officials, former City Officials, vendors, and complainants.

## 2. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Section 3.10 of the Buda City Charter requires, "the City Council by ordinance shall adopt a code of ethics to establish guidelines for high ethical standards in official conduct by City officials, board, committee, and commission members and provide penalties for violations." The current ethics ordinance was adopted in 2002 but has been amended as recently as 2018. This item would repeal and replace the existing Code of Ethics with a new standard built on best practices and input from the City Council.

The City Council previously held an Executive Session item with the City Attorney to discuss the proposed new Ordinance.

## 3. ANALYSIS

The Code of Ethics outlines the rules of conduct and legal requirements that Buda City Officials must follow. It provides for a process for adjudicating ethical complaints and issues.

## 4. FINANCIAL IMPACT

There could be legal costs associated with adjudicating ethics complaints in the future.

## 5. STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS

OTHER

## 6. STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES

Not applicable.

## 7. PROS AND CONS

Pros: establishes a more clear expectation of ethical behaviors for Buda officials and establishes a clear procedure for processing complaints.

Cons: none.

## 8. ALTERNATIVES

The City Council may suggest further revisions on the proposed Ethics Ordinance.

## 9. REQUESTED ACTION / SUGGESTED MOTION / RECOMMENDATION

Not applicable.

**Attachments:**