



Agenda Item Report

Legislative Board: City Council
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ITEM TITLE: Deliberation and possible action to consider an Ordinance on first and final reading to bring the Code of Ordinances into compliance with the approved charter amendments and amending the City of Buda Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 Administration and Personnel, Section 2.04.032 Operating Budget, Subsection (g) Balanced Budget, and Section 2.04.037 Accounting, Auditing And Financial Reporting, Subsection (b) Audit of Accounts (City Clerk Alicia Ramirez) [PUBLIC TESTIMONY]

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A review of the City's Code of Ordinances (the "Code") found that amendments to Chapter 2, Sections 2.04.032(g) and 2.04.037(b) attached as Exhibits "A" and "B" are necessary to bring the Code into compliance with the approved Charter amendments; and deems it necessary to adopt the codes and regulations.

2. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The City of Buda conducted a Special Election on November 4, 2025 with eight propositions for City Charter Amendments. Propositions B, C, D, E, F, G, and H were approved by a majority of qualified voters of the city who voted in the Charter Amendment Election and that said amendments are adopted by operation of law. Texas Local Government Code Section 9.005(a).

3. ANALYSIS

The City Attorney reviewed the Charter amendments and noted two sections within the Code of Ordinances and the Unified Development Code required edits.

§ 2.04.032 Operating budget: The City Charter now requires a balanced budget, rather than sets a goal. The following section is amended as follows:

(g) Balanced budget. The annual operating budget must balance total proposed expenditures with current and estimated revenues, whereby current and estimated revenues would match and fund ongoing expenditures/expenses. Excess balances in the operating funds from previous years would then be used for nonrecurring expenditures/expenses or as capital funds.

§ 2.04.037 Accounting, auditing and financial reporting: The following section is amended as follows:

(b) Audit of accounts. An independent audit of the city accounts of every city department will be performed every year by a Certified Public Accountant (the "Auditor"). The Auditor is retained by and is accountable directly to the city council. The Auditor will present a report to the City Council at the

close of every fiscal year.

4. FINANCIAL IMPACT

Revision to the Code of Ordinances.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS

OTHER

6. STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES

NA

7. PROS AND CONS

None

8. ALTERNATIVES

None

9. REQUESTED ACTION / SUGGESTED MOTION / RECOMMENDATION

Staff seeks Council's directive to amend or deny the recommended changes to the Code of Ordinances based on the 2025 Charter Election.

Attachments:

[Draft Ordinance - 2025 Charter Updates.docx](#)