



**BUDGET WROKSHOP OF THE KENEDY CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 03, 2023 – 5:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE RUHMAN C. FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
303 W. MAIN ST., KENEDY, TX. 78119**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Brandon Briones, Mayor  
Cindy Saenz, Mayor Pro-Tem, District 1  
Felipe Leal, District 2  
Saundra Schultz, District 5

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

James Douglas, District 4  
Christopher Parker, District 3

**CITY PRESENT:**

City Manager, Melissa Gonzalez  
Police Chief Richard Ashe  
City Secretary, Sharon Cheser

**CITY ABSENT:**

**Opening Agenda**

1. Call Workshop to order.

**The Workshop of the City Kenedy was called to order by Mayor Briones at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2023, in the council chambers in the Ruhman C. Franklin Municipal Building.**

2. Call Roll and establish a quorum is present.

**Mayor Brandon Briones had the roll called and establish a quorum is present.**

3. Prayer

**Prayer was given by Mayor Brandon Briones.**

4. Pledge of Allegiance

**Was Recited.**

5. Open workshop for the purpose of planning, discussing, and allocating funds pertaining to the Kenedy's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Operating Budget for the fiscal budget year beginning on October 1, 2023 and end on September 30, 2024

**Request were made to add personal to several departments such as the police department, public works department to include the RO, and streets department, along with requests for repairs to be considered at the RO. and repair for the city wells.**

The City Manager requested a 03 % cola for all departments. A Discussion for consideration to have the City Hall parking lot repaved and restriped.

The Fire Department made request for some equipment and increase on the Fireman pension. A discussion on the ladder truck and housing for the ladder truck along with finding a location for a new fire house. City Manager Melissa Gonzalez will be getting with Grant writers for research and help with some Grants that may be available for the Kenedy Fire Dept.

The City Manager will be working with all the departments and boards toward have a good working budget.

6. Close Workshop

7. Adjourn.

Mayor Briones adjourned the meeting at 9:49 p.m.

  
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Brandon Briones, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sharon Chesser, City Secretary