

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 5, 2025

After determining that a quorum is present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Work Session on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Suzi Rumohr and Council Members Vicki Byrd, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee

ABSENT: Council Member Brian Beck

Also present were City Manager Sara Hensley and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

The posted agenda noted the registration process for public participation at this meeting. However, there were no online registrations or call ins on any items on the agenda.

WORK SESSION

1. **Citizen Comments on Consent Agenda Items**

None

2. **Requests for clarification of agenda items listed on this agenda for public hearing and individual consideration.**

• Clarification:

o None

• Pulled For Individual Consideration:

o None

3. **Work Session Reports**

- A. ID 25-1178 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the prevention of inquiries of an applicant's criminal history prior to making conditional offers of employment unless a law requires an earlier inquiry. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 1 hour]

The item was presented and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City Council consensus was for staff to create a webpage to serve as a centralized data point where the public can find information about programs regarding the prevention of inquiries of an applicant's criminal history prior to making conditional offers of employment.

The work session ended at 2:52 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING

The City Council convened into a Closed Meeting at 2:53 p.m. consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law, as follows:

1. Closed Meeting:

- A. ID 25-1167 Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.074. Deliberate and discuss the evaluation, duties, discipline, dismissal, compensation, and/or contract of the Internal Auditor.

DELIBERATED

- B. ID 25-1169 Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.074. Deliberate and discuss the evaluation, duties, discipline, dismissal, compensation, and/or contract of the Municipal Judge.

DELIBERATED

- C. ID 25-1396 Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.074. Deliberate and discuss the evaluation, duties, discipline, dismissal, compensation, and/or contract of the City Manager.

NOT DELIBERATED

- D. ID 25-1397 Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.074. Deliberate and discuss the evaluation, duties, discipline, dismissal, compensation, and/or contract of the City Attorney.

DELIBERATED

- E. ID 25-1364 Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071. Consult with the City's attorneys regarding Petitions for Release from the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction; where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, or otherwise compromise the City's legal position.

DELIBERATED

The closed meeting started at 2:53 p.m. and ended at 6:30 p.m. No votes or actions were taken during the closed meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Paul Meltzer and Council Members Vicki Byrd, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee

ABSENT: Council Member Brian Beck

Also present were Assistant City Manager Christine Taylor and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

The posted agenda noted the registration process for public participation at this meeting. However, there were no online registrations or call ins on any items on the agenda.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A. U.S. Flag
- B. Texas Flag

2. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- A. ID 25-1310 Proclamation: Gun Safety Awareness Month

PRESENTED

3. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- A. Review of procedures for addressing the City Council.
- B. Reports from members of the public shall be received through the following two (2) methods. A total of up to seven (7) speakers are permitted to provide public comment and may include any combination of prior registration and open microphone speakers.
 - 1) Scheduled Citizen Reports from Members of the Public
 - None
 - 2) Open Microphone. This section of the agenda permits any person who has not registered in advance for a citizen report to make comments about public business items not listed on the agenda. Such person(s) shall have registered using the "Virtual White Card" or "By Phone" process outlined by the City on its website or meeting notice.
- (2) Additional Citizen Reports (Open Microphone)
 - Citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 4. A – S. During the Work Session held earlier in the day, no items were pulled for Individual Consideration.

Council Member Jester moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member McGee.

Motion carried unanimously.

AYES (6): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Council Member Beck

- A. ID 25-063 Consider approval of the minutes of the July 15, 2025 Regular Meeting.

APPROVED

- B. ID 25-064 Consider approval of the minutes of the July 22, 2025 Special Called Meeting.

APPROVED

- C. ID 25-087 Consider a nomination/appointment to the City of Denton Animal Shelter Advisory Committee.

APPROVED

APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- D. ID 25-1328 Consider approval of a resolution of the City Council of the City of Denton confirming the City Manager's reappointment of Darhyl Ramsey to the Civil Service Commission to serve for the term beginning September 1, 2025, and ending on August 31, 2028; and providing an effective date.

APPROVED

APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- E. ID 25-1405 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Community Services Advisory Committee.

APPROVED

APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- F. ID 25-1406 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee.

APPROVED

APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- G. ID 25-1407 Consider a nomination/appointment to the City of Denton Zoning Board of Adjustment.

APPROVED

APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- H. ID 25-740 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton prohibiting parking on the north side of Paisley Street between Mack Drive and Oak Valley between 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM and 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on School days; providing a repealer clause; providing a savings clause; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$200 for violations of this ordinance; providing that violations of this ordinance shall be governed by Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton; and providing for an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-740

- I. ID 25-741 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton prohibiting parking on the west side of Evers Parkway between W Windsor Drive and Gardenview Street, and on north and south side of Gardenview between Brook Street and Evers Parkway between 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM and 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on school days; providing a repealer clause; providing a savings clause; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$200 for violations of this ordinance; providing that violations of this ordinance shall be governed by Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton; and providing for an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-741

- J. ID 25-1133 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Contract in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Denton and the Denton Independent School District (DISD), for reimbursement to the City in the estimated amount of \$508,392 for compensation and benefits of six Student Resource Officers (SROs) assigned at DISD for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1133

- K. ID 25-1222 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton prohibiting parking on the west side of Central Avenue between Maple Street and Eagle Drive, the north side of Wilshire Street between North Texas Boulevard and Kendolph Street, and the dead-end section of south Kendolph Street. The general area of focus is located east of I-35 and south of UNT campus, City of Denton, Texas; providing a repealer clause; providing a savings clause; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$200 for violations of this ordinance; providing that violations of this ordinance shall be governed by Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton; and providing for an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1222

- L. ID 25-1243 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the city of Denton granting the Denton Black Chamber of Commerce a noise exception pursuant to section 17-20 of the city of Denton code of ordinances for the Denton Blues Festival, which will be held on September 19-21, 2025, Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Quakertown Park; granting an exception for

sound levels and a variance in the hours of operation on said dates; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1243

- M. ID 25-1208 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with AssetWorks Inc., through the GSA Cooperative Network Contract No. GS-35F-317GA, for fuel management and telematics software for the Fleet Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8812 - awarded to AssetWorks Inc., for three (3) years, with the option for two (2) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$1,890,000.00).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1208

- N. ID 25-1344 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a first amendment to a Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) preconstruction services contract between the City of Denton and Sundt Construction, Inc., amending the contract approved by City Council on February 6, 2024, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,452,441.00, said first amendment to provide additional preconstruction design services and expand the timeline for the Pecan Creek Water Reclamation Plant Headworks and Expansion project for the Water Utilities Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8289 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$296,273.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$2,748,714.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (5 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1344

- O. ID 25-1345 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, rejecting any and all competitive proposals under RFP 8717 for the Removal and Safe Disposal of Sodium Hydroxide within the Chlorine Scrubber at the Ray Roberts Water Treatment Plant for Water Production; and providing an effective date (RFP 8717). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (5 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1345

- P. ID 25-1346 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with RDO Equipment Co., for the purchase of landfill compaction software for the Solid Waste and Recycling Department, which is the sole provider of this software, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 252.022, which provides that procurement of commodities and services that are available from one source are exempt from competitive bidding, and if over \$50,000, shall be awarded by the governing body; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8857 - awarded to RDO Equipment Co., for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$371,801.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (5 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1346

- Q. ID 25-1349 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Mark III Systems, Inc., through Choice Partners, a division of Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) Purchasing Network Contract No. 22/043KN-10, for data storage, data communications, networking equipment and related services for the Technology Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8868 - awarded to Mark III Systems, Inc., for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$375,000.00).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1349

- R. ID 25-1350 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Mobile Wireless, LLC, through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Cooperative Program Contract No. 210101 for the purchase of the annual maintenance and support of NetMotion software to provide a virtual private network for mobile data computers for the Technology Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8869 - awarded to Mobile Wireless, LLC, for one (1) year, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$175,000.00).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1350

- S. ID 25-1361 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Brycer LLC, for the renewal of the inspection, testing, and maintenance reporting system, the Compliance Engine, for the Fire Department, which is the sole provider of this software, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 252.022, which provides that procurement of commodities and services that are available from one source are exempt from competitive bidding, and if over \$50,000, shall be awarded by the governing body; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8867 - awarded to Brycer LLC, for three (3) years, with the option for one (1) additional three (3) year extension, in the total six (6) year term).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1361

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. ID 25-1140 Hold a public hearing to consider amending and updating the Water and Wastewater Land Use Assumptions and Capital Improvements Plan, and the imposition of increased water and wastewater impact fees for designated service areas and discuss amending Ordinance No. 2019-008 regulating the City's water and wastewater impact fees.

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A. With no other callers in queue, the public hearing was closed.

Note: There was no action taken as the item was only a public hearing.

- B. ID 25-1039 Hold a public hearing and consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton stating no objection to 2100 Spencer Road (TX) Owner LP's 4% housing tax credit application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for proposed rehabilitation of the Waterford at Spencer Oaks Apartments to provide affordable rental housing; and providing an effective date.

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The public hearing was opened and citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A. With no other callers in queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Council Member McGee moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Byrd.

Council Member Jester made a motion to table to an action certain for the City to have a conversation with the Denton Housing Authority regarding their decision to not partner with the project. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland. Discussion followed.

Motion carried.

AYES (4): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Holland and Jester

NAYS (2): Council Members McGee and Byrd

ABSENT (1): Council Member Beck

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. ID 25-1315 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton approving the issuance and sale by Legacy Denton Public Facility Corporation of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Roselawn Village) Series 2025 to provide affordable rental housing; and providing an effective date.

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member McGee.

Motion carried.

AYES (5): Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Beck, Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (1): Mayor Hudspeth

ABSENT (1): Council Member Beck

ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 25-1315

- B. ID 25-1316 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton approving the issuance and sale by Legacy Denton Public Facility Corporation of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Waterford at Spencer Oaks) Series 2025 to provide affordable rental housing; and providing an effective date.

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was postponed to an action certain.

- C. ID 25-1343 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a first amendment to a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Denton and Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc., amending the contract approved by City Council on June 6, 2023, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$14,952,000.00; said first amendment to provide additional engineering design and construction phase services for the Pecan Creek Water Reclamation Plant (PCWRP) Expansion Project for the Wastewater Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 7574-027 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$18,840,500.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$33,792,500.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (5 - 0).

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Council Member Beck

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1343

- D. ID 25-1348 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Bean Electrical, LLC, EAR Telecommunications LLC dba EAR TC, Durable Specialties, Inc., and MasTec North America, Inc., for traffic signal construction services for the Traffic Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8801 - awarded to Bean Electrical, LLC., EAR Telecommunications LLC dba EAR TC, Durable Specialties, Inc., and MasTec North America, Inc. for three (3) years, with the option for two (2) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$7,100,000.00).

There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, Council Member Jester moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Motion carried.

AYES (6): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Byrd, Holland, Jester, and McGee

NAYS (0): None

ABSENT (1): Council Member Beck

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 25-1348

7. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Council Members expressed items of interest.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.

GERARD HUDSPETH
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

LAUREN THODEN
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: _____

August 5, 2025 City Council Special Meeting - EXHIBIT A

Name	Last	Address	City	Agenda Item	Position	Method	Comments
Teri	Johnson	4401 N I-35 Suite 312	Denton			Open Mic	
David	Lehde	5816 W Plano Parkway	Plano	25-1140		PH	
Aimee	Bissett	109 N Elm Street	Denton	25-1140		PH	
Chris	Watts		Denton	25-1039		PH	
Paige	Mebane	16000 Dallas Parkway	Dallas	25-1140		PH	
Will	Moyers	2014 Silver Dr	Missouri City	25-1039		PH	
Nick	Walsh			25-1039		PH	

EXHIBIT B - BOARDS & COMMISSIONS - APPOINTEES
August 5, 2025

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION	COUNCIL PLACE	NOMINATED BY CCM	APPOINTED	PRESENT TERM	NEW TERM	STATUS & QUALIFICATION OR PREFERENCE, IF ANY
Civil Service Commission	N/A	City Manager	Darhyl Ramsey	Term 6	September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2028	
Animal Shelter Advisory Board	3	Rumohr	Emily McComas	Term 1	September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027	1 - Licensed Veterinarian with principal place of business in the City of Denton
Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee	3	Rumohr	Adam Briggie	Term 1	September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027	
Community Services Advisory Committee	3	Rumohr	Dale Tampke	Term 1	September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	3	Rumohr	Scout Register	Terms 1 and 2	Term 1: September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025; Term 2: September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027	