

**CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**May 19, 2026**

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas convened in a Work Session on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 4:02 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 Jordan Villarreal, Nick Stevens, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee  
ABSENT: None

Also present were Interim City Manager Cassey Ogden and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

**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:

- None

• Pulled For Individual Consideration:

- None

**3. Work Session Reports**

A. ID 26-0416 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the results of the 2026 Community Survey. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 1 hour]  
The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was for presentation/discussion purposes.

The work session ended at 4:32 p.m.

**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, May 19, 2026, at 4:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Suzi Rumohr and Council Members Jordan Villarreal, Nick Stevens, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, and Brandon Chase McGee

ABSENT: None

Also present were Interim City Manager Cassey Ogden 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 26-0789 Proclamation: Salvation Army Appreciation to Mayor, Gerard Hudsepth  
**PRESENTED**
- B. ID 26-0766 Proclamation: Building Safety Month  
**PRESENTED**
- C. ID 26-0281 Proclamation: Preservation Month  
**PRESENTED**
- D. ID 26-0505 Proclamation: Water Safety Awareness Month  
**PRESENTED**

**3. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

- 1) Scheduled Citizen Reports from Members of the Public.  
None
- 2) Additional Citizen Reports (Open Microphone)  
None

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Council Member Holland moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Villarreal.

Motion carried unanimously.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villareal, Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

- A. ID 26-0670 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton granting a special permit to Mario Sinacola & Sons Excavating, Inc. to allow for work hours outside those ordinarily allowed pursuant to Section 17-20 (c)(3)(f) of the City of Denton Code of Ordinances, with respect to hours of operation related to Hickory Creek Road Phase 3 construction of the Hickory Creek Road and Bridge over Hickory Creek and Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad: providing for approval of special permit for a variance in the hours of operation during weekdays and weekends; and providing an effective date.  
**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0670**
- B. ID 26-0596 Consider approval of a resolution of the City Council of the City of Denton, Texas adopting a sustainability plan entitled "Simply Sustainable Framework"; replacing the City's previously adopted sustainability plan; and providing an effective date. The Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee recommends approval (4-0).  
**ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 26-0596**
- C. ID 26-0669 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Transportation FY 2026 Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program funded by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) in the amount of \$9,600,000 and City's matching funds of \$2,400,000 for road safety improvements and implementations in the City's Vision Zero Phase II Plan; and providing an effective date.  
**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0669**
- D. ID 26-0767 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the City Manager to accept on behalf of the City a reimbursement grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation Fiscal Year 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All Program in the amount of \$576,000 in federal funding which requires City matching funds in the amount of \$144,000 to develop a comprehensive safety action plan; and providing an effective date.  
**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0767**
- E. ID 26-0594 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton amending Policy No. 10.00 "Ethics" to ensure the City establishes ethical expectations, promotes integrity, and provides guidelines to prevent an actual or perceived conflict of interest and misuse of City resources; Content unrelated to these core ethic philosophies originally held in Policy No. 10.00 Ethics are now delineated by the creation of Policy No. 10.01 "Gift, Meals, and Event Attendance", Policy No. 10.02 "Nepotism", Policy No. 10.03 "Secondary Employment"; and declaring an effective date.  
**ASSIGNED RESOLUTION NO. 26-0594**
- F. ID 26-0810 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a Fifth Amendment to an engagement between the City of Denton and Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C., amending the engagement approved by the City Council on July 20, 2021, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$550,000.00; amended by Amendments 1, 2, 3, and 4, approved by City Council; said Fifth Amendment to provide additional legal services for the City of Denton; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 7762 - providing for an

additional Fifth Amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$200,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$1,350,000.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0810**

- G. ID 26-0715 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute Change Order No. 4 to the contract between the City of Denton and Oscar Renda Contracting, Inc., for the construction and movement of public water/wastewater utilities in support of TxDOT's I-35 widening from the split to US-380 for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 7968-004 - Change Order No. 4 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,722,204.25, for a total contract award aggregated to \$20,038,587.25). The Public Utilities Board will consider this item on Monday, May 18, 2026.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0810**

- H. ID 26-0717 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Halff Associates, Inc., for the development of a Pecan Creek Storm Water Master Plan update for the Drainage Department as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8377-016 - Professional Services Agreement for assessment services awarded to Halff Associates, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,057,370.00). The Public Utilities Board will consider this item on Monday, May 18, 2026.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0717**

- I. ID 26-0721 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 Online Information Services, Inc., for fraud detection and credit risk assessment for the Customer Service Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 9001 - awarded to Online Information Services, Inc., in the five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$320,000.00). The Public Utilities Board will consider this item on Monday, May 18, 2026.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0721**

- J. ID 26-0726 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a second amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and GTS Technology Solutions, Inc., amending the contract approved by City Council on November 15, 2022, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,200,000.00; amended by Amendment 1 approved by the City Council; said second amendment to add the Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract No. DIR-CPO-5721 for Information Technology (IT) staff augmentation services for the Technology Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8127 - providing for an amendment to the ordinance to add the Department of Information Resources (DIR) Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract No. DIR-CPO-5721).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0726**

- K. ID 26-0727 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 Groggy Dog Sportswear & Graphic Design, LLC, through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Cooperative Program Contract No. 241202, for the purchase of athletic jerseys and award, athletic, and special event t-shirts for the Parks and Recreation and Fire Departments; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8892 - awarded to Groggy Dog Sportswear & Graphic Design, LLC, in the five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$835,000.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO.26-0727**

- L. ID 26-0728 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 Mega Promotions, Inc., for food and beverage concession stand operations at athletic complexes for the Parks and Recreation Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8964 - awarded to Mega Promotions, Inc., for a one (1) year term, with the option for four (4) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year term).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO.26-0728**

- M. ID 26-0729 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 Cubic ITS, Inc., for the Gridsmart Video Detection System for the Traffic Department to be stocked in the City of Denton Warehouse; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8993 - awarded to Cubic ITS, 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 \$2,500,000.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0729**

- N. ID 26-0739 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, ratifying Change Order No. 1 to the contract between the City of Denton and 4X Construction Group, LLC, for the Cell 6 Construction Project for the Solid Waste and Recycling Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (CSP 8907 - Change Order No. 1 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$618,467.03, for a total contract award aggregated to \$5,491,222.03). The Public Utilities Board will consider this item on Monday, May 18, 2026.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0739**

- O. ID 26-0746 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 BRCT LLC, dba Black Rock Construction, for the construction of the Baker Offsite Sewer Project with the geographical limits as follows: Masch Branch Road from Hampton Road to Jim Crystal Road for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 8833 - awarded to BRCT LLC, dba Black Rock Construction, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,719,616.55). The Public Utilities Board will consider this item on Monday, May 18, 2026.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0746**

- P. ID 26-0750 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for professional engineering services relating to the Woodrow Multimodal Improvements Project for the Capital Projects Department as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8377-017 - Professional Services Agreement for engineering services awarded to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$408,500.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0750**

- Q. ID 26-0752 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 Galls, LLC through the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), Contract No. 2021-073, for first responder uniforms, accessories, and alteration services for the Police and Fire Departments; providing the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 9053 - awarded to Galls, 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 \$2,250,000.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0752**

- R. ID 26-0795 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the city manager to enter into a development agreement between the City of Denton and TG Duchess Denton, LLC for the dedication of park land for a city park; authorizing the acceptance of land; and providing an effective date. The Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board voted to recommend approval (5-0).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0795**

**5. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

- A. A26-0001 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, regarding a Municipal Services Agreement, pursuant to Tex. Loc. Gov't. Code Sec. 43.0672, between the City of Denton and Coy Mark and Carolyn Rollins for the provision of city services to approximately 2.94 acres of land, generally located 1,671 feet east of Mayhill Road, north of Mills Road; approving a schedule of annexation; authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement; and providing an effective date. (A26-0001, Rollins Annexation, Angie Manglaris)

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. A26-0001**

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

The item was presented and no discussion followed.

Council Member McGee moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Villarreal.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr, and Council Members Villarreal. Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester  
NAYS (0): None

- B. A26-0001a Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, regarding the issuance of a Service Plan, pursuant to Tex. Loc. Gov't. Code Sec. 43.056, for property owned by Coy Mark and Carolyn Rollins for the provision of city services to approximately 2.94 acres of land, generally located 1,671 feet east of Mayhill Road, north of Mills Road; authorizing the City Manager to execute the Plan; and providing an effective date. (A26-0001a, Rollins Annexation, Angie Manglaris)  
**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. A26-0001a**

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

The item was presented and discussion followed.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal. Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester  
NAYS (0): None

## **6. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- A. A26-0001b Hold a public hearing and consider a petition for voluntary annexation of approximately 2.940 acres of land, generally located 1,671 feet east of Mayhill Road and north of Mills Road, into the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas. (A26-0001b, Rollins Annexation, Angie Manglaris)

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

The item was presented and discussion followed

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

No action was taken on this item as it was a public hearing only.

- B. PD26-0001b Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas regarding a change in the zoning district and use classification from Residential 7 (R7) District to Overlay Planned Development (PD) District with a Mixed-Use Neighborhood (PD-MN) base zoning district on approximately 0.786 acres of land, generally located at the northwest corner of the intersection of Jagoe Street and Scripture Street in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; adopting an amendment to the City's official zoning

map; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of \$2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted (5-0) to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Ketchersid and second by Commissioner McDuff. (PD26-0001b, 1716 Scripture, Sean Jacobson)

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. PD26-0001b**

Council Member Jester had a conflict of interest and left the Council Chambers.

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

The item was presented and discussion followed

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (5): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Stevens, Holland, and McGee

NAYS (1): Council Member Villarreal

RECUSED (1): Council Member Jester

C. Z25-0017a Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, regarding a change in zoning district and use classification from a Residential Rural (RR) district to a Suburban Corridor (SC) district on approximately 4.37 acres of land generally located on the south side of Hartlee Field Road, approximately 580 feet east of East Sherman Drive in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; adopting an amendment to the City's official zoning map; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of \$2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted [5-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Dyer and second by Commissioner Ketchersid. (Z25-0017a, Denton Striker, Ashley Ekstedt)

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. Z25-0017a**

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

The item was presented and discussion followed

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

Following discussion, Mayor Hudspeth moved to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Villarreal.

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal. Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

- D. Z26-0004a Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, regarding a change in zoning district and use classification from a Residential Rural (RR) district to a Residential 1 (R1) district on approximately 3.3 acres of land generally located on the north side of Chinn Road, approximately 1,180 feet east of Ganzer Road in the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; adopting an amendment to the City's official zoning map; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of \$2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted [5-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Dyer and second by Commissioner McDuff. (Z26-0004a, Chinn Rezoning, Ashley Ekstedt)

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. Z26-0004a**

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

The item was presented and discussion followed

The public hearing was opened and with no callers in the queue, the public hearing was closed.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal. Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

## **7. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION (continued)**

- A. A26-0001c Conduct the first of two readings of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas annexing approximately 2.94 acres of land, generally located 1,671 feet east of Mayhill Road, and north of Mills Road, into the City of Denton, Denton County, Texas; providing for a correction to the City map to include the annexed land; and providing for a savings clause and an effective date. (A26-0001c, Rollins Annexation, Angie Manglaris)

This was the first of two readings.

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

The item was presented and discussion followed.

No citizen comments were received.

No action was taken as this item was the first of two readings.

- B. ID 26-0751 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Construction Manager at Risk contract with Steele & Freeman, Inc., for construction phase services of the Linda McNatt Animal Care and Adoption Center Project for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8558 - awarded to Steele & Freeman, Inc., including the Guaranteed Maximum Price in the not to-exceed amount of \$17,546,956.00).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0751**

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

The item was presented and discussion followed.

No citizen comments were received.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal, Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

- C. ID 26-0692 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton temporarily amending Chapter 25 streets, sidewalks and public places, Article V, Special Events, adding Division 6: neighborhood block parties sections 25-252 through 25-256, to create a one-year pilot program to establish application and permitting processes for implementation of a streamlined process for neighborhood block parties commencing June 1, 2026, and expiring June 1, 2027; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; providing codification; and providing an effective date. The Parks, Recreation, and Beautification Board recommends adoption (5-0).

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0692**

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

The item was presented and discussion followed.

No citizen comments were received.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal, Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

D. ID 26-0632 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas, adopting the City of Denton Vision Zero Action Plan, providing a severability clause, and providing an effective date.

**ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0632**

All members of the City Council received the comments as submitted and had the opportunity to review all submissions prior to the start of the meeting and consider such comments when voting on the item. The summary of public commentary/registrations are noted on Exhibit A. OR There were no online registrations or call-ins on the item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

No citizen comments were received.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (7): Mayor Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Villarreal, Stevens, Holland, McGee, and Jester

NAYS (0): None

**8. CONCLUDING ITEMS**

Council Members expressed items of interest.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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GERARD HUDSPETH  
MAYOR  
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

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KRISTI FOGLE  
INTERIM CITY SECRETARY  
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: \_\_\_\_\_