

CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
April 21, 2026

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council convened in a Work Session on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 02:00 p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Gerard Hudspeth, Mayor Pro Tem Suzi Rumohr, Council Member Brian Beck, Council Member Joe Holland, Council Member Jill Jester, and Council Member Vicki Byrd.

ABSENT: Council Member Brandon Chase McGee.

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

The posted agenda noted the registration process for public participation (virtual and in-person) at this meeting. There were no online eComments received for 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.

• Request for Clarification:

◦ None

• Pulled from Individual Consideration:

◦ None

Before the start of the Work Session Reports, Interim City Manager Cassey Ogden recognized Aimee Kaslik & her team for receiving the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The City has received this award 30 years in a row.

3. Work Session Reports

A. ID 26-0154 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on the City's financial policies. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 60 minutes]

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

- B. ID 26-0033 Receive a report and hold a discussion on the Denton Police Department Annual Update and 2025 Annual Report. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

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

- C. ID 26-0030 Receive a report and hold a discussion on the Denton Fire Department Annual Update and 2025 Annual Report. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

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

- D. ID 26-0619 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction on pending City Council requests for: 1) Environmental Neighborhood Toolkit for Infrastructure Response and Enhancement (ENTIRE). [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

The item was presented, and discussion followed. Following discussion, there was no City Council consensus for an Informal Staff Report on the two-minute pitch by Council Member Beck to develop an Environmental Neighborhood Toolkit for Infrastructure Response and Enhancement (ENTIRE).

The work session ended at 3:40 p.m.

Closed Meeting

1. The City Council convened into a Closed Meeting at 3:40 p.m. consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law, as follows:

- A. ID 26-0542 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086; Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071. Receive information from staff containing public power information related to a Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Denton, as the seller of power and electric energy services, and Peterbilt Motors Company, a division of PACCAR Inc.; discuss, deliberate, and provide direction to staff regarding same. Consultation with City's attorney regarding issues associated with the above matter where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton under Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative or potential litigation.

DELIBERATED

- B. ID26-0642 Deliberations regarding Real Property - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.072; Consulting with Attorneys - Under Texas government Code Section 551.071 - Receive information from staff, discuss, deliberate, and provide staff with direction pertaining to certain real property interests located at 610 Oakland Street in the City of

Denton, Denton County, Texas where a public deliberation would have a detrimental effect on the City's position in negotiations with third parties. Consultation with City's Attorney regarding issues associated with the above matter where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton and the Denton City Council under Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative or potential litigation.

DELIBERATED

- C. ID 26-0660 Deliberations regarding Personnel Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.074. Deliberate and discuss the appointment, employment, duties, compensation, and/or contract of the Municipal Judge.

DELIBERATED

The closed meeting started at 3:41 p.m. and ended at 6:15 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, April 21, 2026, 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 Suzi Rumohr and Council Members Brian Beck, Vicki Byrd, 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 (virtual and in-person) at this meeting. While citizen commentary received via the online eComment process was not read, each member of the City Council received each online commentary as it was submitted.

In-person, and online eComments received are reflected on Exhibit A.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

2. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- A. ID 26-0277 Proclamation: National Police Volunteer Week
PRESENTED
- B. ID 26-0468 Proclamation: Ryan High School Lady Raiders Day
PRESENTED
- C. ID 26-0503 Proclamation: Child Abuse Prevention Month
PRESENTED

3. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- A. ID 26-0587 Ms. Barbara Kuzma regarding City planning with existing residents in mind.
PRESENTED
- 2) Open Microphone.

Citizen comments received are noted on Exhibit A.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 4.A through 4.AM.

Council Member Jester moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion seconded by Council Member Holland.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

- A. ID 26-0036 Consider approval of the minutes of March 24, 2026, Special Called Meeting.
APPROVED
- B. ID 26-0037 Consider approval of the minutes of April 7, 2026, Joint Meeting with Denton ISD, and April 7, 2026, Regular Meeting.
APPROVED
- C. ID 26-0620 Consider a nomination/appointment to the City of Denton Animal Shelter Advisory Committee.
APPROVED
APPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- D. ID 26-0609 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Animal Shelter Advisory Committee.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- E. ID 26-0611 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Airport Advisory Board.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- F. ID 26-0608 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Board of Ethics.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- G. ID 26-0602 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Zoning Board of Adjustment.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- H. ID 26-0603 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Zoning Board of Adjustment.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- I. ID 26-0604 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Committee on Persons With Disabilities.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- J. ID 26-0605 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Committee on Persons With Disabilities.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- K. ID 26-0606 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Committee on Persons With Disabilities.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- L. ID 26-0607 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Community Services Advisory Committee.
APPROVED
REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- M. ID 26-0612 Consider a nomination/reappointment to the City of Denton Health and Building Standards Commission.

APPROVED

REAPPOINTMENT LISTED ON EXHIBIT B

- N. ID 26-0192 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas Home-Rule Municipal Corporation, authorizing the City Manager or their designee, to execute 3-Way Development Contracts for the construction of public improvements intended to serve private development; approving, adopting as to form, and authorizing use of the performance, payment, and maintenance bonds required under 3-Way Development Contracts; providing a repealer; ratifying all past 3-Way Development Contracts; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0192

- O. ID 26-0318 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton providing for the abandonment, relinquishment, and quitclaim of 0.234 acres of a public waterline easement, situated in the E. Morris Survey, Abstract Number 868, recorded by County Clerk document number 1948-4791, Real Property Records, Denton County, Texas granted to the City of Denton by Alex and Ollie Dickie, 0.234 acres of a public sanitary sewer easement, situated in the E. Morris Survey, Abstract Number 868, recorded by County Clerk document number 1944-3132, Real Property Records, Denton County, Texas granted to the City of Denton by Alex and Ollie Dickie, and 0.385 acres of a public electric easement, situated in the E. Morris Survey, Abstract Number 868, recorded by County Clerk document number 1948-4792, Real Property Records, Denton County, Texas granted to the City of Denton by Alex and Ollie Dickie; providing for the quitclaim thereof to Texas Housing Foundation, a Texas regional housing authority; providing for the terms and conditions of the abandonment, relinquishment, and quitclaim made herein; providing for the conveyance of an easement and/or facilities to the City of Denton; providing for the indemnification of the City of Denton against damages arising out of the abandonment herein; providing for consideration to be paid to the City of Denton and providing for a severability and an effective date. (Woodrow Multifamily Addition-Water, Sewer & Electric Easement Abandonments)

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0318

- P. ID 26-0460 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, approving and authorizing the City Manager to execute a Lease Agreement with Denton Destination Management and Marketing Organization to use and occupy approximately 768 square feet of office space in the City building located at 401 North Elm Street, for a six (6) month initial term, and providing for severability and an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0460

- Q. ID 26-0338 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton, Texas, adopting an update to the City of Denton's Mosquito Surveillance and Response Plan, which guides the City's surveillance of its mosquito population and response to the detection of mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0338

- R. ID 26-0388 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton approving a grant to Fine Arts Theater of Denton, LLC for Fire Suppression located at 115-116 N. Elm Street from the Downtown Reinvestment Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 from Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One funds; and providing for an effective date. The Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One Board recommends approval (5 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0388
- S. ID 26-0389 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton approving a grant to West Oak Coffee Bar GP, LLC for improvements located at 114 W. Oak Street from the Downtown Reinvestment Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 from Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One funds; and providing for an effective date. The Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One Board Recommends Approval (5 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0389
- T. ID 26-0390 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton approving a grant to West Oak Coffee Bar GP, LLC for Fire Suppression located at 114 W. Oak Street from the Downtown Reinvestment Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 from Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One funds; and providing for an effective date. The Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One Board recommends approval (5 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0390
- U. ID 26-0640 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the City Manager to execute a cash sponsorship agreement between the City of Denton and the Denton Destination Management and Marketing Organization, which is a nonprofit organization located within the City of Denton; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0640
- V. ID 26-0513 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the submission of an application to the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) Transportation Reinvestment Program (TRiP) Fiscal Year 2026 funding period in the amount of \$1,844,274 for Woodrow Lane sidewalk and trail improvements; and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0513
- W. ID 26-0514 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for the payment and use of program year 2026 Hotel Tax Revenue in support of programming and events in the City between the City of Denton and Denton Destination Marketing and Management organization in an estimated amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000), providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0514
- X. ID 26-0395 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton amending policy no. 408.01 "Travel Expenses" to safeguard City funds by paying only reasonable and necessary expenses and to ensure the City provides sufficient funds for employees to execute business on behalf of the City; and declaring an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0395

- Y. ID 26-0396 Consider approval of a resolution of the City of Denton adopting policy no. 110.04 “Local Emergency Lodging” to maintain critical infrastructure and public services during periods of inclement weather or other emergencies as part of its commitment to quality service; and declaring an effective date.
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0396
- Z. ID 26-0520 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 contract between the City of Denton and J & B Five Point Construction, LLC, amending the contract approved by City Council on August 15, 2023, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,184,000.00; said first amendment to continue the construction of the DEC Bulk Storage Tank Addition for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8267 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$296,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$1,480,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0520
- AA. ID 26-0522 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 Trihedral Inc., for an HMI Software System for the Water Utilities Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8741 - awarded to Trihedral Inc., for five (5) years, with the option for five (5) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total ten (10) year not-to-exceed amount of \$886,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0522
- AB. ID 26-0523 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, rejecting any and all competitive bids under IFB 8884 for the supply of reinforced concrete pipe, polypropylene pipe, precast box culverts, and related components for the Drainage Department; and providing an effective date (IFB 8884). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0523
- AC. ID 26-0524 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 Black & Veatch Corporation and C3 AcquisitionCO, LLC dba POWERx Inc., for relay commissioning services for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8901 – awarded to Black & Veatch Corporation and C3 AcquisitionCO, LLC dba POWERx 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 \$4,875,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).
ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0524
- AD. ID 26-0526 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 Storm Services Texas, LLC, to provide disaster recovery logistical services for

Denton Municipal Electric as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8976 - Professional Services Agreement for logistical services awarded to Storm Services Texas, 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 \$4,000,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0526

AE. ID 26-0527 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 T&W Tire, L.L.C., for the purchase and repairs of wheels and tires for heavy-duty vehicles and equipment for the Fleet Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8988 – awarded to T&W Tire, L.L.C., 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 \$2,211,300.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0527

AF. ID 26-0528 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 Martinez Architects, LP, for the architectural design services of Fire Station #10 for the Capital Projects Department as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8376-004 - Professional Services Agreement for architectural design services awarded to Martinez Architects, LP, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$785,000.00).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0528

AG. ID 26-0529 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 Texas Portable Restrooms, LLC., dba Texas Johns, for the supply of chemical toilet rental services and special event rentals for the City of Denton; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8881 – awarded to Texas Portable Restrooms, LLC., dba Texas Johns, 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 \$355,000.00).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0529

AH. ID 26-0530 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 Jagoe-Public Company, for the Mill and Overlay Package Project (Teasley Lane between I-35 and Willow Springs Drive; Shady Oaks Drive between Willow Springs Drive and Woodrow Lane; Russell Newman Boulevard between Loop 288 and Mayhill Road; and Bonnie Brae St. between Scripture Street and University Drive) for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 8935 - awarded to Jagoe-Public Company, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,731,525.66).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0530

AI. ID 26-0531 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 Albatross

Construction LLC, for the US 380 Street Lighting Improvements Project for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 8936 - awarded to Albatross Construction LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$3,502,799.99).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0531

- AJ. ID 26-0532 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to approve a pre-qualified professional list of engineers for special inspection, geotechnical engineering services, and materials testing including soil & aggregate, concrete, masonry, steel, and asphalt materials related to construction projects within the City of Denton for the Capital Projects Department; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8991 – for one (1) year, with the option for two (2) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total three (3) year term).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0532

- AK. ID 26-0445 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton granting the Denton Main Street Association a noise exception for the Twilight Tunes Series, which will be held on Thursday, May 7, May 14, May 21, May 28, June 4, June 11, and June 18, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the Courthouse Lawn - 110 W Hickory Street and October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, and October 29, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Wolff's Park; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0445

- AL. ID 26-0291 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton amending chapter 18 Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article III Speed of Vehicles, Section 18-73 Speed Limits On Certain Roads and Highways, School Zones, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denton, to change the speed limits of certain parts of Teasley Lane in the vicinity of Nelson Elementary School; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; providing a penalty clause; providing for publication; providing codification; and providing an effective date.

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0291

- AM.ID 26-0541 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, approving a power purchase agreement between the City and Peterbilt Motors Company, a division of PACCAR Inc.; and providing for an Effective Date. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 – 0)

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0541

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. HL26-0001b Hold a public hearing and consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton designating the property located at 1403 Kendolph Drive, being part of Abstract Number 996, Tract 562 and 563 of the Eugene Puchalski Survey, a Historic Landmark under Section 2.9.4 of the Denton Development Code; providing for a penalty in the maximum amount of \$2,000.00 for violations thereof; providing a severability clause and an effective date. The Historic Landmark Commission voted [7-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Treat and second by Commissioner Black. The Planning

and Zoning Commission voted [6-0] to recommend approval of the request. Motion for approval by Commissioner Ketchersid and second by Commissioner McDuff. (HL26-0002b, Historic Landmark Designation of 1403 Kendolph Drive, Cameron Robertson)

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. HL26-0001b

There were no online eComments received on this item.

The item was presented and no discussion followed.

The Mayor opened the public hearing. There were no in-person citizen comments. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

B. Z26-0001a 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 Rural Residential (RR) District to Light Industrial (LI) District on approximately 1.67 acres of land generally located on the east side of south Mayhill Road, approximately 75 feet south of Morse 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 McDuff and second by Commissioner Ketchersid. (Z26-0001a, Mayhill Road Rezoning, Matt Bodine)

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. Z26-0001a

There were no online eComments received on this item.

The item was presented and discussion followed.

The Mayor opened the public hearing. There were no in-person citizen comments. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

6. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. S26-0001 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton extending the approval period for a Specific Use Permit for an equipment sales and rental use originally approved via Ordinance S24-0001a for approximately 10 acres of land, generally located on the south side of US 380, approximately 3,800 feet to the west of Masch Branch 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 for severability and an effective date. (S26-0001, RDO Equipment, Ashley Ekstedt)

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. S26-0001

There were no online eComments received on this item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

There were no in-person citizen comments.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

- B. ID 26-0521 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 Badger Meter, Inc., for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Implementation Program for the Water Metering Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8623 - awarded to Badger Meter, Inc., for five (5) years, with the option for five (5) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total ten (10) year not-to-exceed amount of \$26,000,000.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4- 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0521

There were no online eComments received on this item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

There were no in-person citizen comments.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

- C. ID 26-0525 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 Xylem Vue Inc. through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract No. 091724, for the Water Utility Monitoring and Analytics Project for the Water Utilities Department; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8931 - awarded to Xylem Vue Inc., in the five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$6,496,090.00). The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (4 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0525

There were no online eComments received on this item.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

There were no in-person citizen comments.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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

NAYS (0): None

- D. ID 26-0509 Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton approving an economic development agreement under Chapter 380 of the local government code to promote economic development and to stimulate business activity and economic growth of the City of Denton between the City of Denton and KrateoSky LLC, regarding the expansion of operations and increase in the number of jobs in the City of Denton; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor in an amount not-to exceed \$870,064; and providing an effective date. The Economic Development Partnership Board recommends approval (10 - 0).

ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NO. 26-0509

All members of the City Council received online eComments 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 online eComments received is noted on Exhibit A.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

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

Motion carried.

AYES (5): Mayor Hudspeth and Council Members Byrd, Holland, Jester and McGee
NAYS (2): Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Beck

Council Member McGee called in question the vote saying that he had voted incorrectly and asked for a revote to be done.

City Attorney Reinwand said a new motion would need to be made and then the revote could be done on a new motion.

Mayor Hudspeth made a new motion, moving to adopt the item as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Jester.

Motion carried.

AYES (4): Mayor Hudspeth and Council Members Byrd, Holland and Jester
NAYS (3): Mayor Pro Tem Rumohr and Council Members Beck and McGee

7. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Council Members expressed items of interest.

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

GERARD HUDSPETH
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

KRISTI FOGLE
INTERIM CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: _____

EXHIBIT A - April 21, 2026 City Council Regular Meeting

**Speaker Commentaries/Registrations
Online, Email, Phone**

Name	Address	City	Agenda Item	Position	Method	Comments
Paul Varner	1710 Sam Bass Blvd.	Denton	D. ID26-0509	Opposed	eComment	No, as a Texan who values his independence and privacy, I strongly object to anything that is being used to promote and help further the use of autonomous surveillance. Additionally, the use of AI is extremely harmful to the environment in the amount of water and power that is used to provide the compute power necessary for it to function. These are things that ultimately the citizens pay and not the corporations. If they want to build here, they can do it without the help of our tax dollars.
Katherine Waddell	3026 N Bell Ave	Denton	D. ID26-0509	Opposed	eComment	Oppose. Hurts local water resources both in pollution and in overuse. Hurts local land and wildlife due to disruption of water and overuse of power. Uses too much electricity which would end up getting passed onto the residents of our city.
Haley Swanson	1504 Palisades Drive	Carrollton	D. ID26-0509	Opposed	eComment	Absolutely not, it's not worth it. AI is not a sustainable enough industry to justify how wasteful and destructive an expansion like this would be long term. It will never be worth the money, resources or manpower it would take to build or run it.
William Hulick	10127 Kirkhaven Drive	Dallas	D. ID26-0509	Opposed	eComment	Absolutely not. The heavy strain on infrastructure and environmental impacts are not only not worth the temporary gain. But actively harmful and pointless long term.
Brandon Ashcraft	8013 White Sulphur Road	Ponder	D. ID26-0509	Opposed	eComment	Say no to AI in Denton! These data centers are not only electricity and water hoarders, but contribute nothing to the local community compared to the environmental and noise damage it will cause to the surrounding area/all of Denton
Adam Horowitz		Denton	Open Mic	n/a	In-Person	Comments related to complaints against Denton PD
Chance Herrington		Denton	Open Mic	n/a	In-Person	Comments related to City not applying for grant funding associated with Dept. of Homeland Security.

