



# City Council Pending Requests for Information

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**City Council Meeting**

**June 17, 2025**

**File ID: 25-028**



# Work Session Process

- Up to seven requests will be reviewed per meeting (one per Council Member)
- Staff will introduce each request
- The requesting Council Member will have up to two minutes to describe and justify their request
- Remaining Council Members will then have a maximum of one minute each to provide feedback and indicate their support for the use of City staff time to respond to the request
- Staff will respond to all requests where a consensus of at least four elected officials is established
- A consensus of six (6) Council Members is required for a resolution or ordinance to be placed on a future City Council agenda prior to a work session on the request.



# Work Session Process - Continued

- The Agenda Committee will assist in scheduling items receiving consensus based upon priority offered by Council Members, work session availability, and readiness of the item.
- As guidelines for Council Members to note and offer their priority while supporting an item, the following general categorization could be used to indicate any Council Member's support to assist staff and the Agenda Committee:
  - **High** – Time-sensitivity of the item is significant; the item is critical to the community or organization; and/or the item is of such importance that it should take precedence over other scheduled priorities, projects, or items.
  - **Moderate** – The item is somewhat time-sensitive; the item has a valuable impact to the community or organization; and/or the item is important but should be integrated into work plans accordingly.
  - **Low** – The item is not time-sensitive; the item has an impact, but it is limited; and/or the item should be scheduled into work plans where possible but should not affect or delay other scheduled work.



## Item 1

### Request for a resolution recognizing June as Denton LGBTQIA2S+ Pride Month

*Requestor:* Council Member Beck

*Council Member Request:* “June marks the anniversary of the Stonewall uprising and, with it, the annual celebration of LGBTQIA2S+ Pride. Across the country—and right here in Denton—Pride Month is an opportunity to honor courage, affirm equality, and recommit to an inclusive future.

Denton’s record shows we walk that talk. Our first Core Value is **\*Inclusion\***—creating a city where every resident is valued and respected. We strengthened that commitment in 2022 with our non-discrimination ordinance, and again in 2025 when voters overwhelmingly replaced gendered language in our Charter.



## Item 1 Cont'd

"Those actions helped Denton earn top-tier marks on the Human Rights Campaign's Municipal Equality Index, making us a community where LGBTQIA2S+ families truly want to live, work, and contribute.

Yet progress is never self-executing. Across Texas, rhetoric and policy continue to target transgender youth and LGBTQIA2S+ neighbors. A formal resolution of support from this council sends an unambiguous message: Denton stands for dignity, safety, and opportunity for everyone.

The resolution before you is straightforward. It recognizes June as "Denton LGBTQIA2S+ Pride Month," invites our residents to celebrate the contributions of LGBTQIA2S+ friends, and encourages all of us to build on the culture of acceptance we've cultivated here.



## Item 1 Cont'd

"Because Pride Month is already underway, I'm asking for your consensus tonight to direct staff to bring this resolution forward on our very next agenda for an expedited vote. A timely, unified statement will amplify our community events, support local businesses, and remind every resident—especially our youth—that Denton's welcome is real and lasting.

I respectfully urge your support. Let's affirm our shared values, adopt this resolution promptly, and keep Denton moving toward the inclusive future we all envision."

***Staff information:*** On June 9, 2025, Council Member Beck provided the drafted resolution with his two-minute pitch request.

***Date Requested:*** June 9, 2025

***Format of Response:*** Resolution





## Item 2

### **Request for an ad hoc committee to consider plans for the Historic City Hall Building**

*Requestor:* Council Member Holland

*Council Member Request:* “The cornerstone was laid May 14, 1927 so we’re coming up on the 100th anniversary of the Historic Denton City Hall. The Historic City Hall building, please don’t call it City Hall West, with its unique Spanish Colonial architecture served as the Denton City Hall until 1966 when we moved into this building.

The Historic City Hall building housed not only City offices but also the Denton Fire Department and more recently, the Firehouse Theater, the Denton Police Department, and the City Buildings Department.



## Item 2 Cont'd

"About 18 months ago, I took a tour of the building. All the windows have been replaced, but the roof leaks badly and sheetrock has gotten wet and has fallen off the studs. It's several floors present a challenge to say nothing of the old heating, air conditioning and plumbing. The building gets worse with every rain.

We don't know what to do with the Historic City Hall building. I am proposing that each Council member pick a citizen volunteer to meet over a 90 day period, take suggestions from the community and decide what to do with this old building. Council members would be ad hoc members of this committee.

One of the options should be to sell the building to a private developer. But you say, "We can't sell it. It's a public building." Yes it's a public building and the public can't use it.





## Item 2 Cont'd

"My own dream for the building is to house the newly created Texas Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, patterned after the National Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio and the worldwide Hard Rock Cafe. Imagine the acts we could bring to Denton as rock and roll musicians are inducted into the Texas Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in Denton, Texas.

Whatever is decided, time is not on our side. The building falls into greater disrepair each year. I hope we can take steps to do something great with this unique and historic building."

*Date Requested:* June 11, 2025

*Format of Response:* Informal Staff Report

