



# City of Denton

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## AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Development Services

**DCM:** Cassey Ogden

**DATE:** December 17, 2025

### **SUBJECT**

Receive a report and hold a discussion on public engagement best practices for Staff and appointed officials, including, but not limited to, notification requirements for public hearings, engagement strategies for city-initiated planning efforts, and recommendations for interactions with developers and residents. (PZ25-236, Public Engagement, Various Staff)

### **BACKGROUND**

Engagement with residents, stakeholders, and developers is standard practice for Planners and is often requested of appointed officials. Communication can take on many forms, depending on the purpose:

- Public notification for rezoning requests
- Informal community meetings held by developers
- Community-wide surveys to obtain specific feedback
- Small-group discussions to gain deeper understanding
- Email requests for information
- Formal public hearings

At this work session, staff will present information regarding a variety of public engagement considerations including, but not limited to:

- Review of public notification and protest procedures
- Public engagement types and strategies
- Lessons learned from planning projects
- Best practices for Commissioners when engaging with residents and/or developers

The presentation slides from this work session will be shared with the Commission as a resource for future reference after the meeting.

### **EXHIBITS**

1. Agenda Information Sheet

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