

**CITY OF DENTON PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES**  
**March 23, 2026**

After determining that a quorum was present of the Public Utilities Board of the City of Denton, convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Aaron Newquist, Robert Rayner, Billy Cheek, Susan Parker, Thomas Plock

Also present: General Manager Antonio Puente, Jr. and First Assistant City Attorney Marcella Lunn

Absent: Chair Devin Taylor, Lee Riback

**REGULAR MEETING**

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

There were no presentations from the public.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 2 A-D.

**Board Member Parker moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 A-D. Motion seconded by Board Member Plock; motion carried.**

**YES (5): Aaron Newquist, Billy Cheek, Susan Parker, Robert Rayner, Thomas Plock**

**NO (0):**

- A. PUB26-022** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton adopting and approving a pole attachment license agreement with Spectrum Gulf Coast, LLC (“Charter”) for all pole attachments involving poles and conduits owned by the City of Denton (“City”); authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreements; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date.
- B. PUB26-034** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc., for the purchase of protective relay panels for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8965 - awarded to Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$110,583.00).
- C. PUB26-035** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute and deliver Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Standard Utility Agreement (“Agreement”) by and between the City of Denton and the Texas Department of Transportation (“TxDOT”), for the reimbursement of design, property acquisition and related services, construction, inspection, project management, and other direct costs associated with the adjustment, removal, and/or relocation of wastewater utilities along I-35E

from Mayhill to Loop 288 more specifically called the I-35E/Mayhill Utility Relocations Project (Utility ID No. U00011546) for wastewater relocation efforts, within the County and City of Denton, Texas; providing for the expenditure of funds not to exceed an increase of One Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifteen and 90/100 dollars (\$162,815.90) therefore; and providing an effective date.

- D. PUB26-036** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Closner Equipment Co., Inc., for the acquisition, rental, maintenance, and repairs of various medium-duty and heavy-duty construction equipment for the Fleet Services Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8987 - awarded to Closner Equipment Co., 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 \$4,168,500.00).

### **3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

- A. PUB26-038** Consider approval of the March 9, 2026 minutes.

**Board Member Rayner moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 A-D. Motion seconded by Board Member Plock; motion carried.**

**YES (5): Aaron Newquist, Billy Cheek, Susan Parker, Robert Rayner, Thomas Plock**

**NO (0):**

- B. PUB26-033** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Accelleron US Inc., for turbo replacement, parts, and service for the Denton Energy Center; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8816 - awarded to Accelleron US 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 \$9,520,000.00).

Jose Gaytan gave a presentation. Arthur Pando, Lori Hewell, and Jose Gaytan answered questions from members of the board.

**Board Member Parker moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 A-D. Motion seconded by Board Member Plock; motion carried.**

**YES (5): Aaron Newquist, Billy Cheek, Susan Parker, Robert Rayner, Thomas Plock**

**NO (0):**

- C. PUB26-039** Management Reports

1. Future Agenda Items
2. New Business Action Items

### **4. CONCLUDING ITEMS**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27 AM.

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**DEVIN TAYLOR**  
**CHAIR**  
**CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS**

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**CASSIE BLACKBURN**  
**ADMINISTRATION MANAGER**  
**CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS**

Minutes approved on: 4/13/26