



Meeting Minutes
City Council

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

5:00 PM

Council Chamber

EXECUTIVE SESSION

3:00 - 4:00 P.M. Pursuant to TGC§ 551.071, the City Council met in closed session to consult with the City Attorney regarding Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) - Chapter 452 of the Transportation Code. No action was taken. Council Conference Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall.

PRE-MEETING WORK SESSION(S)

4:00 - 5:00 P.M. The City Council met in open work session to receive agenda item briefings from staff. No action was taken. Council Conference Room, 2nd floor, City Hall.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Rollcall

Present: 5 - Mayor Tommy Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Aldredge, Councilmember Phillip Philbin, Councilmember Bob Myers and Councilmember Melissa Rieman

- A. INVOCATION: Mayor Pro Tem Mark Aldredge
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Pro Tem Mark Aldredge / Scouts
- C. INTRODUCTION OF COUNCIL: Mayor Tommy Stewart
- D. INTRODUCTION OF STAFF: City Manager Robbie Corder

Staff in attendance included City Attorney Rob Dillard, Director of Information Services Andy Atencio, City Secretary Christine Green, Special Projects Coordinator Amanda Hartwick, Community Information Officer Paige Ruedy, Fire Chief Randy Howell, Chief of Police Bill Mathes, Purchasing Manager Elizabeth Anderson, Parks Events/Reservations Supervisor Kaylon Jackson, Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish, Library Director Jackie Lott, Director of Parks & Recreation Sean Johnson, Director of Human Resources Talia Gregory, and Director of Public Works Keegan Littrell.

II. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

III. CONSENT AGENDA

[26-038](#)

University Park Police Department Annual Traffic Stop Analysis

City Manager Corder said that this is acceptance of the Police Department's annual Traffic Stop Analysis. He said that the City Council received this report during the pre-session. This annual report is required by Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) to compile data on its traffic stops and searches.

He said that the City is in full compliance with all laws concerning racial profiling as well as the operational policies and mandated training.

This report was received.

[26-028](#)

Consider approval of funding for Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS) software renewal

City Manager Corder said that this is approval of funding for Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS). He said that this contract is renewed annually, and this is the third year of a five-year contract. The renewal cost for 2026 is \$125,376.55.

This payment was approved.

[26-030](#)

Consider approval of a request from The Housson Center to reserve Smith Park

City Manager Corder said that this is a request from The Housson Center to reserve Smith Park on Saturday, October 3 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. to hold their fifth annual 5K run/walk fundraiser to raise awareness about mental health. He said that the group expects 200 - 225 participants to attend.

This reservation request was approved.

[26-031](#)

Consider approval of a resolution amending Appendix A - Fee Schedule for the inclusion of fees associated with parkway tree planting applications and Park Memorial Programs

City Manager Corder said that this resolution amends the fee schedule by adding an application fee for parkway tree planting, and updating the fees for the Memorial Tree Program, Trees for UP, Memorial Bench, and playground border stones. He said that these fee adjustments were discussed with the Parks Advisory Committee and the City Council.

This resolution was approved.

Enactment No: RES No. 26-003

[26-032](#)

Consider the purchase of trucks for various departments

City Manager Corder said that this purchase is for 2026 Ford Maverick trucks for Engineering and Community Development. These are planned replacements. He said that the trucks are available from Caldwell County Ford via a BuyBoard contract in the total amount of \$63,800.

This purchase was approved.

[26-033](#)

Consider approval of the minutes of the February 3, 2026 City Council meeting, with or without correction

The minutes were approved.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, seconded by Councilmember Myers, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

IV. MAIN AGENDA

[26-019](#)

Consider award of a contract to Sports Fields Solutions for Curtis Park Athletic Field Improvements

Director of Parks and Recreation Sean Johnson said that this is the award of a contract to Sports Fields Solutions for Curtis Park Baseball field improvements. He said that the field needs improvements to address drainage and grading issues. And, due to the work being done on the retaining wall in the Curtis Park pond, there are also repairs needed to the park where the trucks ingress and egress.

He said that this contract is in the amount of \$108,623.50. He expects work will start in early May.

Mayor Stewart thanked Sean for the good work done by the Parks Department.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bob Myers, seconded by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, to approve this contract. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

[26-029](#)

Consider approval of a request from Dallas Ozone Ministries to reserve Williams Park

Parks Events and Reservations Supervisor Kaylon Jackson said that this request is from Dallas Ozone Ministries, an organization associated with Camp Ozark. They meet weekly at Highland Park Presbyterian Church for youth ministry. She said that the group would like to reserve Williams Park on April 25 from 2 - 8:30 p.m. for a community fundraiser and fellowship event and they expect up to 150 people. Councilmember Rieman asked if the church will open their parking garage for this group. Jack Chenowith with the Camp Ozark Foundation spoke about the organization and said that he will follow up with the church about using the parking garage for the event.

A motion was made by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, seconded by Councilmember Phillip Philbin, to approve this request. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

[26-034](#)

Consider an ordinance adding an exception for emergency vehicles and sanitation vehicles for one-way alleys near Snider Plaza

Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish said that the City Council recently enacted one-way alleys in Snider Plaza. Since that meeting, it was realized that in the 6600 block of Snider Plaza, there are sanitation dumpster containers on both sides of the alley that require the trucks to travel both ways in the alley. She said that this ordinance provides an exception for the sanitation and for emergency vehicles.

A motion was made by Councilmember Phillip Philbin, seconded by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, to adopt this ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

Enactment No: ORD No. 26-014

[26-036](#)

Consider an ordinance creating an exception for the United States Postal Service and its contractors from Snider Plaza Delivery Restrictions

Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish said that this ordinance creates an exception for United States Postal Service (USPS) vehicles from the Snider Plaza delivery restrictions. She said that the City cannot restrict deliveries from the USPS or its contractors.

A motion was made by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, seconded by Councilmember Bob Myers, to adopt this ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

Enactment No: ORD No. 26-015

[26-035](#)

Consider a resolution regarding the City's commitment to providing Paratransit Services for Residents of the City of University Park

City Manager Corder said that this resolution affirms the City's commitment to provide paratransit services for residents of University Park in the event that University Park voters approve the City's withdrawal from DART in May.

A motion was made by Councilmember Phillip Philbin, seconded by Councilmember Bob Myers, to adopt this resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mayor Stewart, Mayor Pro Tem Aldredge, Councilmember Philbin, Councilmember Myers, and Councilmember Rieman

Enactment No: RES No. 26-004

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Walt Humann, 3121 Lovers Lane gave a presentation. He noted that he chaired the University Park Master Plan project in the 1980's. He said that he came to this meeting to make a plea for the City to remain in DART.

VI. ADJOURNMENT