



Meeting Minutes  
City Council

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Tuesday, June 2, 2026

5:00 PM

Council Chamber

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*3:00 - 4:15 P.M. Pursuant to TGC§ 551.076, the City Council met in closed session to deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices; and pursuant to TGC§ 551.071 to consult with the City Attorney regarding 1) short term rentals; and 2) 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)**

*4:15 - 4:30 P.M. The City Council met in open work session to receive a briefing from staff regarding guidelines and training for board, committee, and commission members. No action was taken. Council Conference Room, 2nd floor, City Hall.*

[26-113](#) Discuss guidelines and training for Boards, Commissions, and Committees

*4:30 - 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 - Councilmember Alex Bell, Councilmember Darrell Lane, Councilmember Melissa Rieman, Mayor Pro Tem Phillip Philbin and Mayor Randy Biddle

- A. INVOCATION: City Attorney Rob Dillard
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: City Attorney Rob Dillard / Scouts
- C. INTRODUCTION OF COUNCIL: Mayor Randy Biddle

## 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, Chief of Police Bill Mathes, Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish, Director of Public Works Keegan Littrell, Library Director Jackie Lott, Police Administrative Coordinator Dawn Kossmann, Controller Brian Hogan, Director of Finance Tom Tvardzik, Fire Chief Randy Howell, Director of Human Resources Talia Gregory, and Assistant Chief of Police Nelson Walter.

## II. AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

### [26-114](#)

Retirement: Teresa Hook, Finance/Warehouse

Director of Finance Tom Tvardzik praised Teresa Hook for her 30 years of outstanding service to the City. Mayor Biddle thanked Teresa and presented her with a plaque and a check.

## III. CONSENT AGENDA

### [26-110](#)

Consider approval of an extension to the pilot program for labor staffing to assist with staffing shortages in the Sanitation division

City Manager Corder said that this is a request to extend the existing pilot program contract with People Ready for labor staffing in the Sanitation Division. This program has been in place since December to help with staffing shortages.

The City anticipates spending \$160,000 for the program. Funding for the program is available through unspent funds in the Regular Earnings account in the FY26 Sanitation budget.

**This extension was approved.**

### [26-112](#)

Consider approval of the FY26 Capital Funding for Playground Border Stones

City Manager Corder said that this is a request to approve FY26 Capital Budget funding for playground border stones. These border stones are currently installed at Burlson, Caruth and Curtis parks and are in poor condition. This project includes replacement and installation of the existing personalized stones in an updated layout and will provide an opportunity for residents to purchase new playground border stones. If approved, this project will advance from the FY27 Capital Projects budget so that supplies can be ordered now to accommodate residents who have purchased new bricks.

**This funding was approved.**

[26-111](#)

Consider approval of the minutes of the May 19, 2026 City Council meeting, with or without correction

The minutes were approved.

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Councilmember Lane, seconded by Councilmember Rieman, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Lane, Councilmember Rieman, Mayor Pro Tem Philbin, and Mayor Biddle

## IV. MAIN AGENDA

[26-115](#)

Consider approval of a change order and final payment - Fondren Building

Chief Bill Mathes spoke about the newly-completed Fondren Public Safety Building and thanked the City Council for making it happen. He showed photos of the building and described the functionality and uses of the building. Assistant City Manager Shanna Sims-Bradish recapped the building purchase and renovation schedule and explained the final change order that included:

- Replacement of the roof
- Additional electrical capacity for the gun range and future building needs
- Modifications to the firing range to provide enhanced police training capabilities
- Minor facility expenses including interior signage, additional appliances, minor security enhancements

The change order is in the amount of \$231,050.40, and the final payment amount is \$345,743.11. The total contract with CGC General Contractor is \$4,378,976.75.

Councilmember Rieman asked about access to the facility. Chief Mathes said that officers can access it 24 hours a day, seven days a week. She asked if other groups will be able to use the firing range. Chief Mathes said that other area police agencies are interested in using the facility, and they are working on agreements. Mayor Pro Tem Philbin thanked Chief Mathes and his officers for all that they do for the community.

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Phillip Philbin, seconded by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, to approve this change order and final payment. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Lane, Councilmember Rieman, Mayor Pro Tem Philbin, and Mayor Biddle

[26-117](#)

Consider authorization for the City Manager to enter into an agreement for radio operability with the Town of Highland Park and Southern Methodist University

City Manager Corder said that this action will authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Town of Highland Park and SMU for radio interoperability for public safety. He said that the Town and City own and operate their own radio system, but SMU has its own separate system. This agreement will allow the three agencies to connect and communicate via the radio system.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Melissa Rieman, seconded by Councilmember Darrell Lane, to authorize the City Manager to execute this agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Councilmember Bell, Councilmember Lane, Councilmember Rieman, Mayor Pro Tem Philbin, and Mayor Biddle

**V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business, Mayor Biddle adjourned the meeting.

Considered and approved this 16th day of June, 2026:

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Charles R. Biddle, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Christine Green, City Secretary