

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS
HELD IN THE CITY HALL 4301 CITY POINT DRIVE
MAY 26, 2026**

WORK SESSION

The City Council of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas met in work session on the 26th day of May at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Workroom prior to the 7:00 p.m. regular City Council meeting.

Present:	Jack McCarty	Mayor
	Cecille Delaney	Place 1
	Brianne Goetz	Place 2
	Danny Roberts	Place 3
	Matt Blake	Place 4
	Billy Parks	Place 5
	Russ Mitchell	Place 6
Absent:	Kelvin Deupree	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 7
Staff Members:	Paulette Hartman	City Manager
	Caroline Waggoner	Assistant City Manager
	Alicia Richardson	City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer
	Bradley A. Anderle	City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McCarty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. DISCUSS ITEMS FROM REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

City Council had no questions for staff.

2. PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN PROCESS OVERVIEW.

Director of Parks and Recreation Adrien Pekurney provided a historical overview of the North Richland Hills Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. The last comprehensive review was completed in 2007. City staff is working with Halff Associates, Inc. and ETC Institute on a new North Richland Hills Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan, which includes a four-phase process incorporating system assessment, extensive community engagement including statistically valid and online surveys,

stakeholder input, and a June 10 public open house, along with needs analysis and long-term recommendations to guide future park system improvements.

3. FY 2026 Q2 FINANCIAL REPORT AND REVISED BUDGET OVERVIEW.

City Council received a presentation from Director of Budget and Research Chase Fosse. The FY 2026 2nd Quarter Financial Report shows that revenues and expenditures are generally tracking as expected, with modest vacancy savings, stronger than anticipated property and sales tax collections, and higher water consumption driving increased utility revenues. Projections reflect positive year-end surpluses in several major revenue categories, enabling the City to consider targeted one-time capital investments. The Revised Budget also incorporates new and updated capital projects across General, Parks, Utility, and Drainage funds.

4. FUND BALANCE AND RESERVE POLICY UPDATE.

City Council received a presentation from Director of Budget and Research Chase Fosse. The Fund Balance and Reserve Policy update formalizes the February 10, 2025 revisions by applying consistent reserve requirements across all funds, clarifying calculation methods, and excluding capital transfers from fund balance calculations. The policy establishes minimum reserve levels, outlines actions if balances fall below required thresholds, and provides clearer definitions to support strong financial management. With City Council feedback, the policy is scheduled for formal adoption on June 8, 2026.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)

Council member Blake asked staff to provide the City Council with a listing of requested future agenda items.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Paulette Hartman updated the City Council on the following:

Efficiency Audits - kick off meetings for the facilities and utility billing audits were held on May 18th and are currently in the data collection stage.

Capital Program Advisory Committee (CPAC) - completed its work and committee chairs Tito Rodriguez and Richard Davis are scheduled to present their report and recommendation to the City Council at the June 22, 2026 meeting.

Legislative Task Force - the first meeting will be held on June 25, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Work Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. **SECTION 551.071: CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY TO SEEK ADVICE ABOUT PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION OR ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT - (1) JESSIE GOODFELLOW V. CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, ET AL, CAUSE NO. 352-366545-25; (2) TRAVIS SCOTT GRAY V. CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS, ET AL, CIVIL ACTION NO. 4-25CV1276-09; AND (3) BANK OF THE WEST V. G.Q. ENTERPRISES CORP., ET AL, CAUSE NO. 141-376075-26.**

2. **SECTION 551.087: DELIBERATION REGARDING COMMERCIAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION THAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAS RECEIVED FROM A BUSINESS PROSPECT THAT THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY SEEKS TO HAVE LOCATE, STAY, OR EXPAND IN OR NEAR THE TERRITORY OF THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY AND WITH WHICH THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY IS CONDUCTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OR DELIBERATION OF THE OFFER OF A FINANCIAL OR OTHER INCENTIVE TO SUCH A BUSINESS PROSPECT (1) NORTHEAST CORNER OF BOULEVARD 26 & HARWOOD ROAD, (2) EZ STREETS EMPOWERMENT ZONE, (3) SOUTHWEST CORNER OF DAVIS BOULEVARD AND SMITHFIELD ROAD, (4) AND 8021 AND 8029 MAIN STREET.**

Mayor McCarty announced at 6:29 p.m. that the City Council would adjourn into Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071: Consultation with City Attorney to seek advice about pending or contemplated litigation or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act - (1) Jessie Goodfellow v. City of North Richland Hills, et al, Cause No. 352-366545-25; (2) Travis Scott Gray v. City of North Richland Hills, et al, Civil Action No. 4-25CV1276-09; and (3) Bank of the West v. G.Q. Enterprises Corp., et al, Cause No. 141-376075-26 and Section 551.087: Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development or deliberation of the offer of a financial or other incentive to such a business prospect (1) Northeast Corner of Boulevard 26 & Harwood Road, (2) EZ Streets Empowerment Zone, (3) Southwest Corner of Davis Boulevard and Smithfield Road, (4) and 8021 and 8029 Main Street. Executive Session began at 6:35 p.m. and concluded at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor McCarty announced at 6:47 p.m. that City Council would convene to the regular City Council meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McCarty called the meeting to order May 26, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Present:	Jack McCarty	Mayor
	Cecille Delaney	Place 1
	Brianne Goetz	Place 2
	Danny Roberts	Place 3
	Matt Blake	Place 4
	Billy Parks	Place 5
	Russ Mitchell	Place 6

Absent:	Kelvin Deupree	Mayor Pro Tem, Place 7
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Staff Members:	Paulette Hartman	City Manager
	Alicia Richardson	City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer
	Bradley A. Anderle	City Attorney

A.1 INVOCATION

Council member Blake gave the invocation.

A.2 PLEDGE

Council member Blake led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

A.3 SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S) AND RECOGNITION(S)

A.3.1 2026 NORTHEAST TARRANT TEEN COURT SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION.

Teen Court Advisory Board Member and Teen Court Judge Bethany Grohman presented Kylie O'Hara with a \$2,500 scholarship.

A.4 PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to speak from the public.

A.5 REMOVAL OF ITEM(S) FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER BLAKE, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PARKS TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

- B.1 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 13, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**
- B.2 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-029, DESIGNATING THE ACCOUNTANT GRANTS & DEBT POSITION AS THE GRANTEE'S FINANCIAL OFFICER IF AWARDED FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S HOMELAND SECURITY DIVISION FY 2027 NORTH TEXAS ANTI-GANG CENTER GRANT #2848912, SERVING AS THE FIDUCIARY AND SPONSORING AGENCY.**
- B.3 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-030, DESIGNATING THE ACCOUNTANT GRANTS & DEBT POSITION AS THE GRANTEE'S FINANCIAL OFFICER IF AWARDED FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2027 GENERAL VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT #3544408.**
- B.4 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-031, DESIGNATING THE ACCOUNTANT GRANTS & DEBT POSITION AS THE GRANTEE'S FINANCIAL OFFICER IF AWARDED FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2027 VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN JUSTICE AND TRAINING PROGRAM GRANT #3367210.**
- B.5 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-032, DESIGNATING THE ACCOUNTANT GRANTS & DEBT POSITION AS THE GRANTEE'S FINANCIAL OFFICER IF AWARDED FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2027 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT #5697401.**
- B.6 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-033, DESIGNATING THE ACCOUNTANT GRANTS & DEBT POSITION AS THE GRANTEE'S FINANCIAL OFFICER IF AWARDED FOR THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR'S FY 2027 RIFLE-RESISTANT BODY ARMOR GRANT #5699401.**
- B.7 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-034, APPROVING AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH TXDOT RELATING TO THE N RICHLAND HILLS TRAFFIC SIGNAL STANDARD PROJECT (CSJ 0902-90-362) AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.**

B.8 AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE FY 2026 PURCHASES OF BROADCASTING EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY FROM ENCO SYSTEMS INC. IN A CUMULATIVE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$110,689.

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS

C.1 ZC26-0155, ORDINANCE NO. 3956, PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FROM MARYURI NARVAEZ FOR A REVISION TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT 13 FOR A TRADE SCHOOL (BARBER SCHOOL) AT 8703 BEDFORD EULESS ROAD, BEING 5.03 ACRES DESCRIBED AS LOT 3, BLOCK 13, WOODCREST ADDITION.

APPROVED

Mayor McCarty opened the public hearing for ZC26-0155, Ordinance No. 3956.

Director of Planning Cori Reaume informed City Council the applicant is requesting a revision to Planned Development 13 for 5.03 acres located at 8703 Bedford Euleless Road. The request is being reviewed as a special use permit. Ms. Reaume provided background as to why the request is being treated as a Special Use Permit (SUP). The area is designated on the Comprehensive Land Use Plan as retail commercial and the current zoning is PD, planned development. Ms. Reaume provided site photos of the property.

Applicant Maryuri Narvaez, 300 Marble Creek Drive, Fort Worth, was present and available to answer questions.

Ms. Reaume presented staff's report. The applicant is requesting a revision to the Planned Development to add a barber college (trade school) as a permitted use. The Planning and Zoning Commission, at their April 16, 2026 meeting, recommended approval with a vote of 6-0.

City Attorney Bradley Anderle asked Ms. Reaume if the approval is specific to a suite or the entire planned development. Ms. Reaume confirmed the use, if approved, is for the entire planned development.

There being no forms submitted, Mayor McCarty asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak for or against the item to come forward. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor McCarty closed the public hearing.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER GOETZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BLAKE TO APPROVE ZC26-0155, ORDINANCE NO. 3956.
MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.**

D. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

There were no items for this category.

E. PUBLIC WORKS

There were no items for this category.

F. CITIZENS PRESENTATION

Bobby Gomez, 7714 Sable Lane, commented on data centers and requested City Council evaluate the zoning.

G. GENERAL ITEMS

G.1 SELECT A MEMBER OF COUNCIL TO SERVE AS MAYOR PRO TEM FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR.

APPROVED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DELANEY, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER PARKS TO NOMINATE KELVIN DEUPREE AS MAYOR PRO TEM FOR ONE YEAR.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

G.2 CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 3957, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ALIGNING TERMS OF BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.

APPROVED

City Council received a presentation from City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer Alicia Richardson.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DELANEY TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 3957.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

G.3 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-035, APPOINTING ERIC WELBORN TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, PLACE 1 AND LINDSEY EAGAN TO THE KEEP NRH BEAUTIFUL COMMISSION, PLACE 3 TO FULFILL THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2027.

APPROVED

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER GOETZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BLAKE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO 2026-035, AS PRESENTED.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

G.4 AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BAIRD, HAMPTON & BROWN, INC. FOR THE DESIGN OF THE JOHN BARFIELD TRAIL SPRING OAK EXTENSION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$172,138.

APPROVED

City Council received a presentation from Director of Parks and Recreation Adrien Pekurney.

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MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS - CITY COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION LISTED ON WORK SESSION AGENDA

APPROVED

Mayor McCarty announced there was action necessary as the result of discussion in Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.087: Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations for 8021 and 8029 Main Street.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER MITCHELL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DELANEY TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT AND ALL NECESSARY AND RELATED DOCUMENTS WITH THE TERRY NEIL SNIDER ESTATE FOR PROPERTY AT 8021 AND 8029 MAIN STREET IN THE AMOUNT \$830,000 PLUS ALL CLOSING COSTS.

MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 6-0.

I. INFORMATION AND REPORTS - COUNCIL MEMBER PARKS

I.1 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Parks made the following announcements.

Join us this Saturday, May 30, at the NRH Library for the Mayor's Summer Reading Club kick-off party. Stop by between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. for fun activities and to get signed up for the summer reading club.

The Parks & Recreation Department is hosting a Play Today NRH event at Green Valley Park on Saturday, June 6, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Bring the whole family for fun games and activities in the park.

Kudos Korner - Tonight, we'd like to take a moment to recognize the dedicated group of City employees who have volunteered with Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County for the past 30 years. Each Friday, this team delivers hot meals - and just as importantly, a friendly check in - to homebound residents in our community. Meals on Wheels recently honored our volunteers for three decades of service. Current volunteers include: Cecilia Barham, Kathy Corley, Sarah Hageman, Samantha Gibson, Leah Michaels, Lauren O'Brien, Jonathan Richerson, Mickey Shelley, Tarka Sullivan, and Mary Williams. We're grateful to all employees who have been part of this program over the years, and to the current volunteer team for carrying the tradition forward. Your compassion and commitment make a difference in our community and reflect North Richland Hills' core values of teamwork and service.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McCarty adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Jack McCarty, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Richardson
City Secretary/Chief Governance Office