

**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 13, 2026**

WORK SESSION

The City Council of the City of North Richland Hills, Texas met in work session on the 13th day of May at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Workroom prior to the 7:00 p.m. regular City Council meeting.

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| 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                |
|          | Kelvin Deupree  | Mayor Pro Tem, Place 7 |

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| Staff Members: | Paulette Hartman   | City Manager                            |
|                | Trudy Lewis        | Assistant 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 6:00 p.m.

**1. DISCUSS ITEMS FROM REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

City Council had no questions for staff.

**2. DISCUSS CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS 2026 PRELIMINARY TAXABLE VALUES.**

City Council received an update from Assistant City Manager Trudy Lewis on 2026 preliminary taxable values, the certification process, recent trends in property valuations, and anticipated impacts on the city's financial planning.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S)**

Council member Roberts requested an item be placed on a future agenda to receive an

update from staff on the city's sex offender registry. There being no opposition, City Manager Paulette Hartman advised that an item will be placed on a future work session agenda in June.

Mayor McCarty requested an item be placed on a future work session agenda to discuss a fee for fire department lift assists at senior facilities. Ms. Hartman informed City Council that staff will include this discussion during the July budget work session. There was no opposition from City Council.

## **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) 8021 AND 8029 MAIN STREET, AND (5) 6720 NE LOOP 820.**

Mayor McCarty announced at 6:26 p.m. that the City Council would adjourn into Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, specifically, 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) 8021 and 8029 Main Street, and (5) 6720 NE Loop 820. Executive Session began at 6:30 p.m. and concluded at 6:50 p.m.

Mayor McCarty announced at 6:50 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 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

|          |                 |                        |
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| Present: | Jack McCarty    | Mayor                  |
|          | Cecille Delaney | Place 1                |
|          | Brianne Goetz   | Place 2                |
|          | Danny Roberts   | Place 3                |
|          | Matt Blake      | Place 4                |
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|          | Russ Mitchell   | Place 6                |
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**A.1 INVOCATION**

Council member Roberts gave the invocation.

**A.2 PLEDGE**

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

**A.3 CANVASS ELECTION RESULTS**

**A.3.1 APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-027, CANVASSING THE RESULTS OF THE MAY 2, 2026 GENERAL ELECTION.**

**APPROVED**

City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer Alicia Richardson presented the official results of the May 2, 2026 General Election.

| <b>CANDIDATE</b>               | <b>NUMBER OF VOTES</b> |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Mayor</b>                   |                        |
| Literally Anybody Else         | 1,255                  |
| Jack McCarty                   | 4,474                  |
| <b>Council member, Place 2</b> |                        |
| Briane Goetz                   | 4,411                  |
| Sean Samuel Leonard            | 1,182                  |
| <b>Council member, Place 4</b> |                        |
| John Schleeter                 | 1,586                  |
| Matt Blake                     | 4,037                  |
| <b>Council member, Place 6</b> |                        |
| Laura Jenkins                  | 1,862                  |
| Russ Mitchell                  | 3,397                  |
| William Darden                 | 322                    |

Staff recommends City Council approve Resolution No. 2026-027, canvassing the election results and declaring the following elected to office for a term of three years.

| <b>OFFICE</b> | <b>NAME</b>   |
|---------------|---------------|
| Mayor         | Jack McCarty  |
| Place 2       | Brianne Goetz |
| Place 4       | Matt Blake    |
| Place 6       | Russ Mitchell |

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER PARKS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DELANEY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2026-027.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.**

**A.4 SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S) AND RECOGNITION(S)**

**A.4.1 OATHS OF OFFICE AND SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS - MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR PLACES 2, 4, AND 6.**

The oaths of office were administered to Brianne Goetz, Matt Blake, Russ Mitchell and Jack McCarty.

Mayor McCarty recessed the meeting at 7:20 p.m. for a brief reception.

Mayor McCarty reconvened the meeting at 7:40 p.m., with the same members present.

**A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

**A.6 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 GOETZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BLAKE TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED 7-0.**

**B.1 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 27, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

**B.2 CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 2026-028, AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR FLOCK SAFETY GUNSHOT DETECTION RAVEN AND FLOCK SAFETY FALCON DEVICES FROM FLOCK GROUP INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$192,000 USING FY 2026 NORTH TEXAS ANTI-GANG CENTER GRANT #2848911 FUNDS AND \$192,000 USING FY 2027 NORTH TEXAS ANTI-GANG CENTER GRANT #2848912 FUNDS, IF AWARDED, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$384,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE REGIONAL ASSET TRANSFER ADDENDUMS WITH THE CITY OF ARLINGTON TO TRANSFER THE SUBSCRIPTIONS APPROVED THEREIN.**

**C. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were no items for this category.

**D. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

There were no items for this category.

**E. PUBLIC WORKS**

There were no items for this category.

**F. CITIZENS PRESENTATION**

Paul Southerland, 6713 Briley Drive, commented on his experience with companies placing unsolicited printed material at his residence. He referenced other cities that prohibit direct distribution and asked the City Council to do the same for North Richland Hills.

Luke and Kristina Carnevale, 5610 Southern Hills Drive, expressed their opposition to the data center located on Browning Drive. Mr. Carnevale asked City Council to consider a moratorium on the construction for the data center.

**G. GENERAL ITEMS**

There were no items for this category.

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

There was no action necessary as a result of the executive session.

**I. INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

Council member Blake made the following announcements.

Friends of the NRH Library are holding a book sale this Saturday, May 16. Stop by the Library from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to buy books at a great price and show your support for literacy events and services in our community.

The NRH Senior Center's annual Health Fair will be on Wednesday, May 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Grand Hall at the NRH Centre. Connect with 40+ community providers offering physical, mental and financial wellness tools, screenings and valuable resources - all in one place.

Kudos Korner - Chance Rawlings, Coleson McCullum, Luke Allen, Joey Ferreira and Chuck Guerra in the Parks Department - A resident recently emailed to praise the staff who maintain the soccer fields at Green Valley Park. He said: "They look awesome! We love safe, playable, good-looking fields - and we'll always take a minute of our day to high-five the folks who made them that way. Nice work!"

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor McCarty adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

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Jack McCarty, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Alicia Richardson  
City Secretary/Chief Governance Officer