

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS  
January 14, 2026**

A regular called meeting of the City Council of the City of Tyler, Texas, was held Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of City Hall, Tyler, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor: Don Warren  
Mayor Pro Tem: Lloyd Nichols  
Councilmembers: Stuart Hene  
Petra Hawkins  
Shonda Marsh  
James Wynne  
Brad Curtis

City Manager: Edward Broussard  
Deputy City Manager: Stephanie Franklin  
Asst. City Manager: Heather Nick  
City Attorney: Deborah G. Pullum  
Deputy City Attorney: Steve Kean  
Senior Asst. City Attorney: Alesha Buckner  
Director of Organizational Development: Regina Y. Moss  
Airport Manager: Stephen Thompson  
Planning Director: Kyle Kingma  
Chief Information Officer: Benny Yazdanpanahi  
City Fire Chief: David Coble  
Police Chief: Jimmy Toler  
Engineering Services Director: Cameron Williams  
Director of Utilities: Kate Dietz  
Director of Parks & Recreation: Leanne Robinette  
Transit Manager: Russ Jackson  
Senior Management Analyst: Blake Cathey  
City Clerk: Cassandra Brager

**INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Councilmember Hawkins.

**MINUTES**

Motion by Councilmember Wynne to approve the October 22, 2025 minutes; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

**PRESENTATION**

**P-1** Request that the City Council consider receiving an updated presentation on the progress of the Lake Tyler Master Plan for Tyler Water Utilities.

**Mark Priestner with Halff and Assoc.** – Stated the purpose of this update is to protect water quality for the City’s drinking water, improve lake management to guide future development and recreational opportunities and establish clear policies to ensure effective implementation.

City Council recessed from 9:24 a.m. to 9:32 a.m.

Numerous neighbors attended to speak on the item. Brian Feiden, Jessie Enright, Virginia Hudson, Billy McGwier, Christina Murphy, Jim Jordan, Hank Baker, Bill Bellenfant, Richard Griffin, Natalie Osborne, Gayle Cagianut, Gil Lain and Joe Cagianut, Raymond Pushey, Brandon Brattlof.

- P-2** Request that the City Council consider receiving an updated presentation on the progress of the Tyler Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan.

**Kyle Kingma, Planning Director**- Gave a brief presentation on the progress of the Tyler Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- M-1** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to award Bid No. 26-005 to Cowboy Custom Curbing to furnish all necessary materials, equipment, superintendence, and labor for the landscape beds for the Tyler Municipal Rose Garden concrete curbing project.

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nichols; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-2** Request that the City Council consider accepting the donation of \$100,000 for the Faulkner Tennis Center.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Nichols; seconded by Councilmember Hawkins; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

- M-3** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract amendment in the amount of \$195,675.00 with KSA Engineers, Inc., for additional services related to the Golden Road Water Treatment Plant Filters 11-14 Rehabilitation Project, including necessary repairs to the filters at the Lake Palestine Water Treatment Plant.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Nichols; seconded by Councilmember Curtis; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

**CONSENT**

(These items are considered to be routine or have been previously discussed, and can be approved in one motion, unless a Council Member asks for separate consideration of an item.)

- C-A-1** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to ratify an expenditure in the amount of \$145,999.41 Advanced Water Well Technologies for the emergency repairs to the #1 High Service Pump & Motor located at the Lake Palestine Water Plant.

- C-A-2** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to purchase the City vehicles and equipment identified from Bid No. 26-002.

- C-A-3** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to approve a Reconciliation Change Order and approve the release of retainage in the amount of \$5,749.00 to A-10 Construction Land Improvement , LLC., for the Median Infill and Southside Parking Expansion Project.
- C-A-4** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute an additional services agreement with Halff Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$43,155.00 for the Shiloh Road Improvements and Widening preliminary engineering report.
- C-A-5** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute Amendment No.2 to Halff Associates, Inc. Work Order No. 1 in an amount not to exceed \$7,602.63 to provide additional services for the 2022 Highway Safety Improvement Projects.
- C-A-6** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute Contract No. 103772, Work Order No. 7 for \$149,300.00 with KSA Engineers for engineering services for Grant 59 Runway 13-31 Rehabilitation Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) through the 2023 approved Master Service agreement with Tyler Pounds Regional Airport.
- C-A-7** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute the lease amendment for Mewbourne Oil Company at Tyler Pounds Regional Airport.
- C-A-8** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to approve the reconciliation change order that will reduce the current contract price by \$138,586.20 for the 2024 Water Meter Replacement Program, HGAC Contract Number - 20-00808, and release retainage in the Final Pay Estimate. The final contract amount for the completed project is \$4,173,913.80.
- C-A-9** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to approve a reconciliation change order increasing the contract amount by \$571,597.56 and to release the final retainage payment of \$10,808.43 to Lone Star Land Enhancements, LLC, for Right of Way Clearing (Bid No. 22-035).
- C-A-10** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to approve a reconciliation change order increasing the contract amount by \$41,357.91 and to release the final retainage payment of \$414,598.73 to C&A Construction, LLC for the Consent Decree Group 5 Remedial Measures Open Cut project (Bid 23-039).
- C-A-11** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the ratification of a total expenditure in the amount of \$ 282,170.22 to United Rentals for emergency bypass pumping required to repair the 24" Sanitary Sewer Line at Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- C-A-12** Request that the City Council consider authorizing the City Manager to execute contract amendment with Pape Dawson Consulting Engineers, LLC for additional design and

construction administration services for the Consent Decree Group 8 Remedial Measures Implementation in the amount of \$2,492,400.00.

C-A-13

Request that the City Council consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, on behalf of the Tyler Police Department, to apply for and accept funding from the Department of Justice through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), FY2027 in the amount of \$44,214.00 to fund the purchase of digital message board trailers.

**(R-2026-1)**

Motion by Councilmember Curtis; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Nichols; motion carried 7 - 0 & approved as presented.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Thank you, Mayor. And so, while we started 2026, I do have one last piece of Christmas, kind of, that I want to brag about. It was this year's Operation Christmas card, which was such a success. And so, the Police Department's Community Resource officer unit dispatched Miss Lisa and Mary with Animal Control. They signed and delivered 3,454 Christmas cards and stuffed animals to nursing homes, assisted living centers, and special needs homes. They've signed more Christmas cards this year than they have ever before. And we just want to say thank you to all of those who made that possible, the businesses that were involved in it. But people like James and just our Police Department and Animal Control have an incredible heart for those who are shut in during the Christmas season or may not be able to have somebody with them. And that is always just such an impressive thing that they do.
2. On the construction side of things, on kind of a project update, Old Jacksonville Highway and Capital Drive traffic signal, construction is moving forward steadily. Timber poles, cabling, signal heads, and the signal cabinet have been installed. Additional equipment will be installed as far as this week. We are working toward having the traffic signal operational by the end of this month. While significant progress has been made, several tasks remain before the intersection is fully functional. So the only thing about this is over there is the project that we're working on with Brookshire's grocery company as far as their headquarters there on Old Jacksonville Highway and creating a traffic signal there to allow for more safer traffic to be able to kind of flow into and out of the headquarters as well as getting those trucks in and out that are headed to all the different grocery stores.
3. And so also, I'm trying to remember everything's flying together. Last week, we celebrated the newest portion of Legacy Trail. It was officially open to the public. Attendance was great with many members of the community, Council, City staff, and the media were present. We give thanks to our Parks Board, City Council members, and City leadership who were able to attend and make it a great event. We also want to say thanks to Cameron Williams, who's also responsible for the traffic signal I just talked about, for all his assistance on the project, managing this new portion of the trail, and coordinating with TX DOT for the grant implementation. Just as a kind of a side note to make sure everyone's aware that this is actually funded through a grant that we received with the Texas Department of Transportation. So, while there's city money that's put into it, the majority of the funding comes from the state level.
4. And then finally, a piece of just kind of news that we've been able to kind of put together and launch this week is our public information request processing. And so, on Monday, we launched a new online portal, Gov Q&A, for submitting and processing public information requests. We've seen quite a bit of those on all types of different projects. People wanting to know what, you know, especially like today's, how were the results of different bids, what were kind of some of the information related to just different agreements or and then just sometimes people wanting just different information that's coming in. And so, we continue to

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look to see how we can make this more efficient for the user and make it to where it is able to track the submitted request, collaborate with the appropriate departments and monitor deadlines to make sure we get it to them in the responsive manner. And so supervisors have received training on this, and the systems have been pushed out. We appreciate the hard work of our IT, Legal, Police, Communications, and our City Clerk Department, and the City Clerk, in setting up the system to enhance our customer service, especially the City Clerk. That's what I should have said.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Nichols to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 am; motion carried 7 - 0 & meeting adjourned.



**DONALD P. WARREN, MAYOR OF  
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS**

**ATTEST:**

  
CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

