

JANUARY 13, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gerald Hall at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

Present: Gerald Hall, Mike Goodman, Staci Saunders, Gordon Campbell, Kim McDonald, and John Bowen.

II. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mayor Gerald Hall.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gerald Hall.

IV. CITIZENS FORUM

A citizen addressed the Council about a low-hanging telephone or cable line.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Motion by Mike Goodman to adopt Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance. Second by Kim McDonald. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Motion by John Bowen to approve the resolution to freeze longevity pay. Second by Kim McDonald. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Motion by Mike Goodman to approve December 9, 2025, regular session minutes. Second by John Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Motion by Mike Goodman to approve January 6, 2026, regular session minutes. Second by John Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Motion by Staci Saunders to approve the replat request by Scott Johnson for the property located at 402 Francis St. Second by John Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Discussion regarding West Railroad Avenue resulted in a determination that additional research would be needed before guidance can be given about the ownership of West Railroad Avenue. Keith Bristow was also advised that water taps are currently not available for future homes to be built on the property located along West Railroad Avenue due to required city infrastructure upgrades.
- e. Motion by Kim McDonald to accept the audit draft for Fiscal Year 2024. Second by Mike Goodman. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Motion by Mike Goodman to table changes to the Mobile Home Ordinance and Tiny Home Ordinance. Second by John Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Motion by Mike Goodman to table the tiny home application. Second by Kim McDonald. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. Motion by Staci Saunders to draft an ordinance requiring contractors working within the city to complete an annual registration form and authorizing a \$25 registration fee. Second by John Bowen. Motion carried unanimously.
- i. Motion by Mike Goodman to approve Christine Wilson as the new Water & Sewer Clerk for the Water & Sewer Department. Second by Gordon Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.
- j. Council discussed the posting of the City Secretary position. Motion made by Mike Goodman to promote Stacie O'Quinn to City Secretary. Second by Kim McDonald. Motion carried unanimously.

- k. Motion by Mike Goodman to research and possibly seek City Attorney services with a different law office. Second by Kim McDonald. Motion carried unanimously.
- l. Motion by Mike Goodman to table entering into a contract with Austin Bank for banking services until more information can be obtained. Second by Gordon Campbell. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL

Council members provided updates about police, vehicle maintenance, the school board meeting, and a QuickBooks update.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Linda Howell provided an update for the Municipal Court detailing new citations, actions taken on unresolved citations, and payments received by the court. No action taken.
- b. Michael Hatton provided an update for the Water & Sewer Department regarding bulk water, job orders, and street work completed. No action taken.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No new announcements.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hall adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Gerald Hall, Mayor

Stacie O'Quinn, City Secretary