



**MINUTES**

**CITY OF GAINESVILLE**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

September 02, 2025

06:30 PM

MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 200 SOUTH RUSK, GAINESVILLE, TEXAS

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session September 2, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Tommy Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Mary Jo Dollar, Linda Lewis, Dakota Nichols, Randy Jones, Gary Sutton, Jeff Johnson.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Diana Loch, City Secretary; Arleene Loyd, Interim GEDC Director; Diane Johns, GEDC Administrative Officer; Jennifer Shumate, Chamber of Commerce President; JI Johnson, Finance Director; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Mike Doughty, Community Development Director; Paulina Schutt-Swiatkowski, Communication & Outreach Director; Thomas Hamilton, Police Officer; Tony Dresser (Videographer).

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Amy Hamilton, Andrew Mozeleski, Anna Beall, Carla Bullard, Chris Hamilton, Christy Perry, Courtney Jones, David Jones, Delania Raney, Dianne Johnson, Ed Hollandsen, Edna Slater, James Lewis, Janice Hill, Jasmine Jones, Jennica Alder, Linda Moore, Marilyn Wooldridge, Martin Phillips, Mary Onugha, Michelle Seegers, Mike Gordon, Rod Tyler, Tim Brewer, Vivian Thomlinson.

**2. INVOCATION**

Elder Vivian Thomlinson from the First Presbyterian Church gave the invocation.

**3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Mayor Tommy Moore led the pledge to the flag.

**4. RECOGNITIONS/ PROCLAMATIONS**

a. Proclamation - Constitution Week

Mayor Tommy Moore proclaimed the week of September 17-23, 2025 Constitution Week.

**5. REPORTS**

**6. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Martin Phillips came forward to discuss the GEDC Board appointments.  
Andrew Mozeleski came forward to express his interest in serving on the GEDC Board.

Chris Hamilton came forward to express his interest in serving on the GEDC Board.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes of the August 19, 2025 City Council Meeting.
- b. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas approving the actions of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation, which voted to approve a Land Lease Extension Agreement with the City of Gainesville for approximately 12.121 acres of land located at 2600 Airport Drive; authorizing the President to execute said Lease Agreement and any and all related documents; and providing for an effective date.

Councilmember Dollar moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutton and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

## 8. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, authorizing the issuance of a request for proposal for grant administration and implementation services for Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation-Resilient Communities Program (CDBG-MIT RCP) project application to the General Land Office (GLO); and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's Executive Officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation - Resilient Communities Program.

Councilmember Sutton moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

- b. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, creating a Selection Review Committee for the Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation Resilient Communities Program Planning and Management Services, and appointing members to said committee.

City Manager Barry Sullivan stated that the resolution appoints Allen McDonald (Public Works Director), Mike Doughty (Community Development Director), and himself, but must also appoint at least one elected official. Mayor Tommy Moore and Councilmember Dakota Nichols expressed interest in serving, and no additional council members requested consideration.

Councilmember Dollar moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutton and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

- c. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas Approving a Final Replat; of the Coffee Brew Addition; Berend Subdivision; Lot 1; Block 1: Being 1.600 Acres; in the John Walker Survey; Abstract 1151; Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas.

Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lewis and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

- d. Consideration of and action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas regarding the implementation of House Bill 1950, establishing the Consolidated Security and Technology Fund for the Municipal Court.

Councilmember Sutton moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Johnson and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

- e. Discussion on Hotel Occupancy Tax Funding.

Council discussed and requested staff to add funding to fund a digital billboard and to provide the Morton Museum their additional requested funding.

- f. Discussion on City Council Workshops.

Council discussed the possibility of scheduling workshops on important topics for the City.

- g. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, amending the Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 to adjust the credit card processing fee for the Solid Waste Department.

Councilmember Dollar moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by

- Councilmember Nichols and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- h. Consideration of and action on a resolution to approve the proposed Cooke County Appraisal District FY 2025-2026 Budget.
- Councilmember Sutton moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- i. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, authorizing the City Manager to sign a contract with PMR Roofing for roof repairs at the Santa Fe Depot through the TML Risk Pool's BEST Program.
- Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- j. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee ("ACSC") and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the company's 2025 rate review mechanism filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the attached settlement tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; approving an attachment establishing a benchmark for pensions and retiree medical benefits; requiring the company to reimburse ACSC's reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this resolution was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this resolution to the company and the ACSC's legal counsel.
- Councilmember Nichols moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lewis and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- k. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas Approving a Final Replat of Lots 1-7; of the Red Oaks Two Subdivision; Being 9.28 Acres in the F.A. Stoud Survey; Abstract 0951; Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas.
- Councilmember Johnson moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lewis and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- l. Consideration of and action on a resolution making appointments to the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors of the City of Gainesville, Texas.
- Mayor Moore moved to reappoint Martin Phillips. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 1 Nay (Nichols), 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- Mayor Moore moved to reappoint Joey Anderson. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- Mayor Moore moved to appoint Phil Neelley (ex-officio) as a voting member. There was no second. The motion failed.
- Councilmember Johnson moved to appoint Chris Hamilton. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- Councilmember Lewis moved to appoint Andrew Mozeleski. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.
- Mayor Moore moved to reappoint Phil Neelley as an ex-officio. There was no second. The motion failed.
- Councilmember Dollar moved to appoint Darin Allred as an ex-officio. The motion was seconded by Mayor Moore and carried by vote of 4 Ayes (Lewis, Nichols, Moore, Dollar), 3 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent. Motion passed.
- Councilmember Lewis moved to appoint Jim Goldsworthy as an ex-officio. The motion was seconded by Mayor Moore and carried by vote of 3 Ayes (Lewis, Moore, Dollar), 4 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent. The motion did not pass.

Mayor Moore moved to appoint Mark Scruggs as an ex-officio. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nichols and carried by vote of 4 Ayes (Lewis, Nichols, Moore, Dollar), 3 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent. Motion passed.

- m. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, directing publication of Notice of Intention to issue up to \$10,000,000 in Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation to fund street and utility system improvements; and resolving other matters relating to the subject.

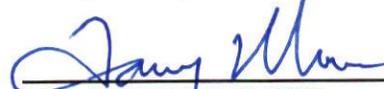
Councilmember Dollar moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutton and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent.

9. **ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

  
DIANA LOCH, CITY SECRETARY



  
TOMMY MOORE, MAYOR