



MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 6, 2026
TO: The Honorable Mayor Moore and Council Members
FROM: Barry Sullivan, City Manager
SUBJECT: Friday Staff Report

Upcoming Meetings

- Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting **Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.** at City Hall.
- City Council Meeting **Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.** at City Hall.
- Building and Standards Commission Meeting **Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.** at City Hall.
- Parks Board Special Meeting **Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Civic Center.

Events

- City Employee Appreciation Luncheon Wednesday, March 18, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Gainesville Civic Center.
- Gainesville Fire Department Annual Badge Pinning Ceremony Monday, March 30, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at Fire Station 3.

Fire Department Update

At the request of the State Operations Center (SOC), Texas A&M Task Force 1 activated several Type 3 Swiftwater/Floodwater Squads in anticipation of severe weather impacts across Texas. The Gainesville Fire Department's Swiftwater Rescue Team was included in this activation to assist with regional response efforts.

Gainesville personnel deployed Thursday, March 5, and are currently pre-staged in the Sherman area; however, deployment locations may change as storm activity develops and response needs are identified across the region.

Gainesville Emergency Management will closely monitor local weather conditions and forecasts throughout the weekend.

Public Works Update

Executed a Professional Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn for engineering services for the preparation of contract documents for the City's 2025-2026 TxCDBG project (Dozier Creek Sewer Crossing) implementation.

Conducted a punch list walkthrough for Phase 1 of the I-35 expansion project and identified three utility-related items requiring correction by the contractor. Once these items are addressed,



the project will be approved for submission to the Texas Department of Transportation for final acceptance.

Community Development Update

Two Substandard Structures demolished, 1014 S Taylor and 1330 E Garnett.

Communications and Outreach Update

Communications and Outreach launched recruitment for Website User Testing yesterday and has already received over a dozen applicants. Staff is currently reviewing the submissions to ensure that all available time slots are filled. Website updates will continue to be implemented leading up to the testing dates, which are scheduled for March 18 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and March 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Airport Master Plan Update

The Parks and Recreation Board met on March 5, 2026, and voted to recommend City Council approval of the Airport Master Plan, pending the consultant's addition of a few data tables to the document.