



MINUTES

CITY OF GAINESVILLE

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 03, 2026

6:30 PM

MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 200 SOUTH RUSK, GAINESVILLE, TEXAS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session March 3, 2026 at 6:30 PM 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.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Diana Loch, City Secretary; Andrew Holley, Airport Director; Belva McClinton, Police Communications Supervisor; Jason Parkhill, Police Dispatcher; JI Johnson, Finance Director; Kevin Phillips, Police Chief; Mike Dougty, Community Development Director; Paulina Schutt-Swiatkowski, Communication and Outreach Director; Tamara Sieger, Community Risk & Emergency Management Specialist; Thomas Hamilton, Police Officer; Tom Reynolds, Police Captain; Wayne Twiner, Fire Chief; Tony Dresser (Videographer).

OTHERS PRESENT: Anna Beall, Angel Gonzalez, Beth Eggar, Christi Perry, Delania Raney, Elvira Torres Martinez, Forrest Head, Jake McAdams, James Hughes, Jasmine Jones, Jason Panthall, Lynette Scruggs, Martin Phillips, Mike Gordon, Miranda Harp, Reese Evans, Rod Tyler, Tavia Evans, Tim Brewer.

2. INVOCATION

City Manager Barry Sullivan gave the invocation.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Tommy Moore gave the pledge to the flag.

4. RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

a. Star of North Texas: Elvira Torres Martinez

Mayor Tommy Moore presented the Star of North Texas to Elvira Torres Martinez. Texoma Council of Governments 9-1-1 Program Manager Beth Eggar also honored her with the 9-1-1 Kid Hero Award for remaining calm while reporting a structure fire and clearly answering questions, helping ensure a quick emergency response.

5. REPORTS

a. Heartland Flyer Report

Tavia Evans from Ripples gave a report on the Heartland Flyer.

b. CDBG Grant Section 3 Presentation

Jake McAdams from Public Management, Inc gave the CDBG Grant Section 3 Presentation.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve Minutes from February 14, 2026 City Council Workshop.
- b. Approve Minutes from February 17, 2026 City Council Meeting.
- c. Consideration of and action on a resolution approving the sale of alcohol during the County Seat Sip and Shop event to be held in the 100 block of South Dixon on Saturday, March 21, 2026.
- d. Consideration of and action on a Resolution approving the actions of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation of the City of Gainesville, which voted to approve the Executive Director of the Corporation as a signer of the GEDC Checking Account.

Councilmember Dollar moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutton and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

8. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Public Hearing on an Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit (SUP) to Operate a Short-Term Rental (STR) Located in the Original Donation GV; Block 22; Lot 2-3 PTS OF; (PID) 3137; Commonly Known as 300 S Commerce and Located in the Single Family (SF-2) Zoning District; Within the City Limits of Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas; Providing for an Effective Date; Containing a Severability Clause and Making an Open Meeting Finding.

Mayor Tommy Moore opened the public hearing at 6:46 PM and called for public comment.

No citizen came forward to speak on behalf of the item.

Councilmember Sutton moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

The public hearing was closed at 6:48 PM.

- b. Discussion on Asphalt Zipper Machine.

Council discussed the costs, concerns, and functionality of the Asphalt Zipper that was demonstrated during repairs on Leach Street.

- c. Consideration of and action on a resolution of the City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas, authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Downtown Revitalization Program.

Councilmember Sutton moved to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jones and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

- d. Consideration of and Action on an Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit (Sup) to Operate a Short-Term Rental (STR) Located in the Original Donation GV; Block 22; Lot 2-3 PTS OF; (PID) 3137; Commonly Known as 300 S Commerce and Located in the Single Family (SF-2) Zoning District; Within the City Limits of Gainesville, Cooke County, Texas; Providing for an Effective Date; Containing a Severability Clause and Making an Open Meeting Finding.

Councilmember Sutton moved to SUSPEND THE CHARTER. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

Councilmember Sutton moved to approve the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Lewis and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 0 Absent, 1 Vacancy.

- e. Executive Session

Adjourn into closed or executive session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), to discuss the following:

Under Government Code §551.087 - Economic Development: Project Electra

At 7:25 PM Mayor Tommy Moore announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act).

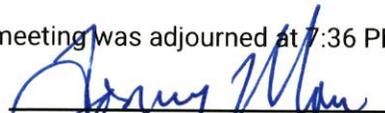
Council reconvened into open session at 7:35 PM and Mayor Tommy Moore announced no action was taken during executive session.

9. **ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.


DIANA LOCH, CITY SECRETARY




TOMMY MOORE, MAYOR

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