



City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes City Council

Farmers Branch City Hall
13000 Wm Dodson Pkwy
Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

The full video of this meeting is available on the City website at <https://farmersbranch.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Council Present: Mayor Terry Lynne, Mayor Pro Tem Omar Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Richard Jackson, Councilmember David Reid, Councilmember Roger Neal, Councilwoman Tina Bennett-Burton

City Staff Present: City Manager Ben Williamson, Deputy City Manager Jawaria Tareen, Director of Administrative Services Stacy Henderson, City Attorney Victor Flores, Director of Public Works Ray Silva-Reyes, Director of Parks and Recreation Rob Diaz, Police Chief Kevin McCoy, Fire Chief Daniel Latimer, Interim Finance Director Lee Ann Dumbauld, Director of Community Services Danielle Summers, and other City staff

CALL TO ORDER - STUDY SESSION (4 P.M.)

Mayor Lynne called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON STUDY SESSION ITEMS

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Council.

STUDY SESSION ITEMS

C.1 Review and discuss Consent and Regular agenda items.

Councilmember Reid requested that Item J.4 related to a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement for 2504 Squire Place be moved to the Regular Agenda.

C.2 Receive a presentation from Public Works on the traffic signal operations at the Intersection of Denton Drive and Valley View Lane.

Public Works Director Ray Silva-Reyes gave a presentation explaining the locations of the traffic signals, the concerns regarding the traffic at each location, the possible causes for traffic congestion, and potential solutions for alleviating traffic congestion.

C.3 Receive a presentation from Fleet Operations regarding Fleet Replacement Guidelines and Schedule.

Fleet Operations Manager Kevin Reinhartz gave a presentation on the fleet replacement guidelines and the criteria for fleet replacement.

Councilwoman Bennett-Burton and Councilmember Neal requested a history of repairs on the City's non-public safety vehicles.

C.4 Receive an update from the Mayor and Council Members regarding board liaison information from outside organizations and other meetings attended.

Council gave updates regarding outside organizations and meetings.

C.5 Review and discuss future agenda items.

Councilwoman Bennett-Burton requested an update on Joya Park, including a report on maintenance and personnel services by month since the opening date.

Councilmember Neal requested a discussion about Ordinance No. 2811, Code of Ethics Section 2-280, Subsection (j), regarding the endorsement of political candidates.

Mayor Lynne convened in Executive Session at 4:58 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

D.1 The City Council will convene into a closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 to discuss economic incentives for Farmers Branch Project 2025.005A.

D.2 The City Council will convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087 to discuss economic incentives for Farmers Branch Project 2025.006.

D.3 The City Council will convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to discuss the sale of real property located at 13309 Josey Lane.

D.4 The City Council will convene into closed executive session pursuant to (i) Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or sale of real property; (ii) Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss economic development incentives; and (iii) Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, and 551.071(2) to seek legal advice from the City Attorney regarding previously proposed contract terms related to Farmers Branch Project 2022.001.

D.5 The City Council will convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or sale of real property related to Farmers Branch Project 2025-008.

D.6 The City will convene into closed Executive Session under Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code to seek legal advice from the City Attorney regarding the City Council's Anti-Discrimination Policy.

CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Lynne called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Neal led the invocation and the pledges of allegiance.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

G.1 Presentation of the Employee of the Month Award for March 2025 to Jose Torres of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mayor Lynne presented Jose Torres of the Parks and Recreation Department with the Employee of the Month Award for March 2025.

G.2 Presentation of a Proclamation declaring April 22 through May 12 and September 5 through October 29, 2025, as Lights Out Nights.

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G.4 Recognition of the Farmers Branch Police Department for successfully achieving reaccreditation under the Texas Police Chiefs Association's Best Practices program, a distinction the department has maintained since 2009.

Mayor Lynne recognized the Farmers Branch Police Department for their reaccreditation under the Texas Police Chiefs Association's Best Practices program.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Public Information Officer Christian Grisales presented items of community interest.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jennifer Evans at 3047 Randy Lane spoke in favor of Consent Agenda Item J.6 to install a traffic signal at Rawhide Parkway and Josey Lane and requested that there be a review of the infrastructure of the bridge in the same area.

Rick Johnson spoke on the recent efforts of public safety personnel and public discussions on political items.

CONSENT AGENDA

J.1 Consider approving the following City Council meeting minutes; and take appropriate action.

- April 1, 2025, City Council Meeting

J.2 Consider excusing the absence of Mayor Terry Lynne from the Study Session portion of the City Council meeting held on April 1, 2025; and take appropriate action.

- J.3 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-063 authorizing the submission of a grant application and agreement with the Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Authority under the Taskforce Grant Program to support law enforcement agencies to combat motor vehicle theft, burglary from a motor vehicle, and/or fraud-related motor vehicle crime; and take appropriate action.**
- ~~J.4 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-061 authorizing the execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement in the amount of \$20,000 and a four (4) year property tax rebate for the property owner located at 2504 Squire Place; and take appropriate action.~~ (Moved to Regular Agenda Item L.2)**
- J.5 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-051 authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Paradigm Traffic Systems for the purchase of parts and supplies for traffic signal replacement work in the amount of \$55,304; and take appropriate action.**
- J.6 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-065 authorizing the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn, Inc. for design and engineering services related to the installation of a traffic signal at Rawhide Parkway and Josey Lane for an amount not to exceed \$87,700; and take appropriate action.**
- J.7 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-062 approving the second amended and restated Professional Services Agreement with Burgess Construction Consultants, Inc. for inspection, plan review, and training services; and take appropriate action.**
- J.8 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-052 authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate agreements for the purchase of Fleet vehicles in the aggregate amount of \$1,085,307.15; and take appropriate action.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Reid, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, to approve the Consent Agenda with the modification that J.4 will move to the Regular Agenda. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings held during this meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

- L.1 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-058 accepting the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024, as submitted by Forvis Mazars, LLP; and take appropriate action.**

Interim Finance Director Lee Ann Dumbauld introduced Forvis Mazars, LLP Partner Dan Barron and Audit Manager Tyler Hoffman, who gave a presentation on the City's Annual Comprehensive Finance Report (ACFR), including the audit scope, the results of the audit, the GASB Statement accounting updates, and the increasing challenges of cybersecurity.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, to approve Resolution No. 2025-058 as presented. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

L.2/J.4 Consider approving Resolution No. 2025-061 authorizing the execution of a Residential Demolition/Rebuild Program Incentive Agreement in the amount of \$20,000 and a four (4) year property tax rebate for the property owner located at 2504 Squire Place; and take appropriate action.

Deputy Director of Planning Sarah Bergman gave a presentation explaining the location, proposed elevation, and proposed Demolition/Rebuild Program incentive for 2504 Squire Place.

A majority of the Council requested to bring this item back with an updated home rendering and the homeowner's application for further discussion.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to table Resolution No. 2025-061. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, Councilmember Reid, Councilmember Neal

Mayor Lynne reconvened into Executive Session at 6:49 p.m.

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TAKE ANY ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Lynne reconvened the regular meeting at 8:16 p.m.

- D.3 The City Council will convene into closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to discuss the sale of real property located at 13309 Josey Lane.**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Roman, to remove 13309 Josey Lane from the market. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Mayor Pro Tem Roman, Councilwoman Bennett-Burton, Councilmember Neal

Nay: Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, Councilmember Reid

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Lynne adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

City Secretary Stacy Henderson, TRMC

Mayor Terry Lynne