



City of Farmers Branch Action Meeting Minutes Charter Review Committee

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

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

6:00 PM

Training HUB

The full video of this meeting is available on the City website at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SnEG6RtG_uQ.

In attendance:

- Chair Cristal Retana
- Vice Chair David Koch
- Member Veronica Vallejo
- Member Jaime Rivas
- Member John Vickers
- Member Michael Rogan
- Member Todd Warren
- Member Patrick Trapp
- Member Janet Melancon
- Member Chase Johnson
- Member Pam Capener
- Member Dan Bergeron
- Member Elizabeth Aviles
- Member Brian Kosley
- Member Chris Flower
- Member Polly Prado
- Member Scott Noris
- City Attorney David Berman
- City Secretary/Deputy Director of Administrative Services Erin Flores
- Senior Administrative Assistant Quinn Mercado

Members absent:

- Member Carol Dingman
- Member Al Mahesh
- Member David Griggs
- Member Kevin Caldwell

CALL TO ORDER - MEETING

Chairwoman Retana called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

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

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

C.1 Consider approval of the December 17, 2025, Charter Review Committee Minutes, and take appropriate action.

A motion was made by Member Noris, seconded by Member Rogan, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

C.2 Discuss the updated Charter Review Committee topics submitted by the City Council.

City Attorney David Berman gave an overview of the Charter Review Committee topics provided by the City Council.

C.3 Review and discuss Article I: Incorporation, Form of Government, Powers of the City Charter.

Members of the Committee requested the following revisions:

- Section 1.02: Boundaries - Requested to revise the section to clarify that the City boundaries are held on record with the City Secretary at the end of the process, if there are not excessive provisions on the ballot.
- Section 1.07: General Powers Adopted – City Attorney to simplify language and submit to the Committee for approval.

C.4 Charter Review Committee’s opportunity to request future discussion on items not on the agenda.

Members of the Committee requested the following items for consideration:

- Consideration of the Mayor having voting power (Member Kosley)
- New or amended multi-family project applications to require Council approval, with the Mayor having veto authority (Member Kosley)
- Add provision to increase or decrease police staffing levels dependent on the crime statistics as compared to the surrounding area (Member Kosley)
- Addition of one at-large Council member or restructuring of single-member districts (Member Vickers)
- Consideration of adding a provision to allow typographical changes to the Charter without going to an election (Chair Retana)

ADJOURNMENT

Chairwoman Retana adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

City Secretary Erin Flores, TRMC

Chairwoman Cristal Retana