MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

26-0016

PARK, TRAILS, AND THE ENVIRONMENT
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL/VIDEO CONFERENCE
COUNCILMEMBER KATHY STEWART, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [5] Stewart, West, Johnson, Bazaldua (**9:18 a.m.), Blair

ABSENT: [2] *Blackmon, Ridley

The meeting was called to order at 9:13 a.m. with a quorum of the committee present.

The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

After all business properly brought before the city council had been considered, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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City Secretary Staff Date Approved

The agenda is attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT A.

The actions taken on each matter considered by the committee are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT B.

The briefing materials for this meeting are filed with the City Secretary's Office as EXHIBIT C.

***Note: "Only members of the committee who are physically present at the location specified in the posted meeting notice or are appearing by videoconference due to official city business at the direction of the city council, will be considered to be in attendance at the meeting," per Resolution 25-1385.**
**** Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened.**

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Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee

September 1, 2026

9:00 AM

2025 CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

AD HOC COUNCIL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL COMMITTEES
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS Moreno (C), Cadena, M. Johnson, Mendelsohn, Stewart **Assigned: 08/29/25	**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Moreno (C), Ridley (VC), Blair, Cadena, Gracey, Roth, West **Assigned: 08/29/25
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GENERAL INVESTIGATING AND ETHICS Willis (C), Blair, Cadena, Mendelsohn, Stewart **Assigned: 08/29/25	**PARKS, TRAILS, AND THE ENVIRONNMENT** Stewart, (C), West (VC), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Blair, M. Johnson, Ridley **Assigned: 08/29/25
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS Ridley (C), Resendez, Roth, Stewart, West **Assigned: 08/29/25	**FINANCE** West (C), Stewart (VC), Gracey, M. Johnson, Moreno, Resendez, Willis **Assigned: 08/29/25
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS Mendelsohn (C), M. Johnson, Moreno, Ridley, Stewart * Assiged: 07/17/25	**HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS** Mendelsohn (C), Blair (VC), Bazaldua, Gracey, Moreno, Resendez, Willis **Assigned: 08/29/25
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS Stewart (C), Blackmon, M. Johnson, Mendelsohn, Moreno, Resendez, Roth, West, Willis **Assigned: 08/29/25	**PUBLIC SAFETY** Mendelsohn (C), Moreno (VC), Cadena, M. Johnson, Resendez, Roth, Stewart **Assigned: 08/29/25
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL SPORTS RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION West (C), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Blair, Cadena, Resendez, Ridley **Assigned: 08/29/25	**QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE** Gracey (C), Cadena (VC), Bazaldua, Ridley, Roth, West, Willis **Assigned: 08/29/25
	TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE Ridley (C), Roth (VC), Blackmon, Blair, Cadena, Gracey, Mendelsohn **Assigned: 08/29/25
	GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY M. Johnson (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Resendez, Ridley, Roth **Assigned: 08/29/25

(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair

* Assigned: 07/17/25
**Assigned: 08/29/25

Note: A quorum of the Dallas City Council may attend this Council Committee meeting.

General Information

The Dallas Council Committees regularly meet on Mondays beginning at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 6th floor, City Hall, 1500 Marilla. Council Committee agenda meetings are broadcast live on bit.ly/cityofdallastv and on Time Warner City Cable Channel 16.

Sign interpreters are available upon request with a 48-hour advance notice by calling (214) 670-5208 V/TDD. The City of Dallas is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. ***The Council agenda is available in alternative formats upon request***.

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Rules of Courtesy

City Council meetings bring together citizens of many varied interests and ideas. To insure fairness and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules of courtesy which apply to all members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. These procedures provide:

- That no one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings, or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- All persons should refrain from private conversation, eating, drinking and smoking while in the Council Chamber.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Chamber.
- No cellular phones or audible beepers allowed in Council Chamber while City Council is in session.

"Citizens and other visitors attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of propriety, decorum and good conduct applicable to members of the City Council. Any person making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the City Council or while attending the City Council meeting shall be removed from the room if the sergeant-at-arms is so directed by the presiding officer, and the person shall be barred from further audience before the City Council during that session of the City Council. If the presiding officer fails to act, any member of the City Council may move to require enforcement of the rules, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council shall require the presiding officer to act." Section 3.3(c) of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

Información General

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Intérpretes para personas con impedimentos auditivos están disponibles si lo solicita con 48 horas de anticipación llamando al (214) 670-5208 (aparato auditivo V/TDD). La Ciudad de Dallas se esfuerza por cumplir con el decreto que protege a las personas con impedimentos, *Americans with Disabilities Act.* ***La agenda del Ayuntamiento está disponible en formatos alternos si lo solicita.***

Si tiene preguntas sobre esta agenda, o si desea hacer comentarios o presentar quejas con respecto a servicios de la Ciudad, llame al 311.

Reglas de Cortesía

Las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal reúnen a ciudadanos de diversos intereses e ideologías. Para asegurar la imparcialidad y el orden durante las asambleas, el Ayuntamiento ha adoptado ciertas reglas de cortesía que aplican a todos los miembros del Ayuntamiento, al personal administrativo, personal de los medios de comunicación, a los ciudadanos, y a visitantes. Estos reglamentos establecen lo siguiente:

- Ninguna persona retrasara o interrumpirá los procedimientos, o se negara a obedecer las órdenes del oficial que preside la asamblea.
- Todas las personas deben abstenerse de entablar conversaciones, comer, beber y fumar dentro de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- Anuncios y pancartas deben permanecer fuera de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- No se permite usar teléfonos celulares o enlaces electrónicos *(pagers)* audibles en la cámara del Ayuntamiento durante audiencias del Ayuntamiento Municipal

"Los ciudadanos y visitantes presentes durante las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal deben de obedecer las mismas reglas de comportamiento, decoro y buena conducta que se aplican a los miembros del Ayuntamiento Municipal. Cualquier persona que haga comentarios impertinentes, utilice vocabulario obsceno o difamatorio, o que al dirigirse al Ayuntamiento lo haga en forma escandalosa, o si causa disturbio durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento Municipal, será expulsada de la cámara si el oficial que este presidiendo la asamblea así lo ordena. Además, se le prohibirá continuar participando en la audiencia ante el Ayuntamiento Municipal. Si el oficial que preside la asamblea no toma acción, cualquier otro miembro del Ayuntamiento Municipal puede tomar medidas para hacer cumplir las reglas establecidas, y el voto afirmativo de la mayoría del Ayuntamiento Municipal precisara al oficial que este presidiendo la sesión a tomar acción." Según la sección 3.3 (c) de las reglas de procedimientos del Ayuntamiento.

Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistol oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

"Pursuant to Section 46.03, Penal Code (places weapons prohibited), a person may not carry a firearm or other weapon into any open meeting on this property."

"De conformidad con la Sección 46.03, Código Penal (coloca armas prohibidas), una persona no puede llevar un arma de fuego u otra arma a ninguna reunión abierta en esta propriedad."

This City Council Parks, Trails and the Environment Committee meeting will be held by video conference and in the Council Chambers, 6th Floor at City Hall.

The public may attend the meeting virtually; however, City Hall is available for those wishing to attend the meeting in person.

The Parks, Trails and the Environment Committee will be broadcast live on Spectrum Cable Channel 16 (English) and 95 (Spanish) and online at bit.ly/cityofdallastv.

The public may also listen to the meeting as an attendee at the following video conference link:

https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/j.php?MTID=m544591a566c9009c79c5293516d0280b

Call to Order

MINUTES

1. 26-2817A Approval of the August 3, 2026, Special Called Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

Attachments: Minutes

The committee may vote to make recommendations to City Council regarding any of the following items on this agenda.

BRIEFING ITEMS

A. 26-2794A Community Park at Fair Park Quarterly Update [Alyssa Sifferman, Executive Director, Fair Park First; Norman Alston, Project Manager, Fair Park First; Heather Stevens, Philanthropy and Strategy Officer, Fair Park First; Ryan O'Connor, Senior Deputy Director, Dallas Park and Recreation]

Attachments: Briefing Presentation

B. 26-2795A Climate Resilience: Addressing Extreme Heat with Data Heat Intervention Guidebook [Angela Hodges Gott, Director, Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability; Oppong Hemeng, Manager (I), Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability]

Attachments: Briefing Presentation

BRIEFING MEMOS

C. 26-2796A Proposed Legislative Agenda for the 90th Texas Legislature and the 120th Congress Update [Eric Dominguez, Director, Office of Government Affairs]

Attachments: Memorandum

D. 26-2818A Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee Forecast

Attachments: Forecast

UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

City Council September 9, 2026

Dallas Park and Recreation

E. 26-2812A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #26-2294A: A public hearing to receive comments on (1) re-adopting and continuing in effect Chapter 12, "City Youth Program Standards of Care," of the Dallas City Code, to re-establish standards of care for certain city youth programs in compliance with state law; and, at the close of the public hearing (2) approving of an ordinance to re-adopt Chapter 12 of the Dallas City Code - Financing: No cost consideration to the City

F. 26-2813A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #26-2305A: Authorize the City to (1) enter into a four (4) party agreement for a term of four (4) years with Grambling State University, Prairie View A&M University and the State Fair of Texas, which authorizes both universities to continue playing the annual State Fair Classic football game held annually at the Cotton Bowl Stadium located at Fair Park during the State Fair of Texas; (2) authorize the City to pay Prairie View A&M University and Grambling State University in the amount of $175,000.000 each for the 2025 State Fair Classic football game at the Cotton Bowl Stadium during the State Fair; and (3) pay Prairie View A&M University and Grambling State University in the amount of $250,000,00 to each school for the State Fair Classic football game held annually at the Cotton Bowl Stadium during the State Fair of Texas, beginning 2026 through 2029 in an amount not to exceed $2,350,000.00 - Not to exceed $2,350,000.00 - Financing: Fair Park Fund

City Council September 23, 2026

Dallas Park and Recreation

G. 26-2814A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #26-2737A: Authorize a five-year master agreement for the purchase of park and recreation equipment, products, and installation services for the Park & Recreation Department to the following vendors awarded under BuyBoard Proposal No. 781-25 for Parks and Recreation Equipment, Products, and Installation Services upon documented need by the Park & Recreation Department, through The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) agreement - Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. dba GameTime c/o Cunningham Associates, Inc. dba Cunnigham Recreation in the estimated amount of $6,287,410.00, Kompan, Inc. in the estimated amount of $6,923,000.00, Parkscapes Texas, LLC in the estimated amount of $5,036,508.00, Webuildfun, Inc. in the estimated amount of $5,778,125.00, and Whirlix Design, Inc. in the estimated amount of $9,012,154.00 - Total estimated amount of $33,037,197.00 - Financing: see Fiscal Information

H. 26-2815A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #26-2798A: Authorize (1) Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to increase the Construction Manager at Risk Agreement with Linbeck Group, LLC, to provide preconstruction and construction services for the Dallas Zoo Safari Trail Project (or “Project”) located at 650 South R.L. Thornton Freeway, in an amount not to exceed $27,192,678.00 and (2) establish appropriations not to exceed $17,567,678.00 in the Capital Gifts Match Donations and Development Fund - Total not to exceed $27,192,678.00 from $90,000.00 to $27,282,678.00- Financing: Capital Gifts Match Donations and Development Fund ($17,567,678.00); Park and Recreation Facilities (B) Fund (2024 General Obligation Bond Fund) ($9,625,000.00)

I. 26-2816A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #26-2799A: Authorize an increase in the construction services contract with SCI Construction, Ltd. to provide additional construction services to add a new underground Fire Water line from the water main to the Fire Riser Room for Forest Audelia Recreation Center Project located at 9758 Forest Lane - Not to exceed $157,317.00 from $4,010,000.00 to $4,167,317.00 - Financing: Capital Gifts Donations & Development Fund

Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability

26-2823A Upcoming Dallas City Council Agenda Item #XX-XXXX: A public hearing to receive comments on a proposed municipal setting designation to prohibit the use of groundwater as potable water beneath property owned by GoodRE Singleton Investments LLC and generally located near the intersection of Singleton Boulevard and Vinson Street and adjacent street rights-of-way; and an ordinance authorizing support of the issuance of a municipal setting designation to GoodRE Singleton Investments LLC by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and prohibiting the use of groundwater beneath the designated property as potable water - Financing: No cost consideration to the City.

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.071]

2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.072]

3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.073]

4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.074]

5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.076]

6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code § 551.087]

7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code § 551.089]

8. deliberating cybersecurity measures, policies, or contracts solely intended to protect a critical infrastructure facility. [Tex. Gov't Code § 551.0761]

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OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

Item 1: Approval of the August 3, 2026, Special Called Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee Meeting Minutes

Councilmember West moved to adopt the minutes as presented.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Blair and unanimously adopted. (Bazaldua absent when vote taken; Blackmon, Ridley absent)

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OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

BRIEFING MEMOS

Item C: Proposed Legislative Agenda for the 90th Texas Legislature and the 120th Congress Update

Item D: Parks, Trails, and the Environment Committee Forecast

The committee discussed the items.

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

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