**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS, TEXAS, CITY COUNCIL HELD ON APRIL 16, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2600 ROOSEVELT DRIVE, DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS, TEXAS.**

*While the order of some agenda items may have been changed, the following represents all items discussed and acted upon by the City Council.*

**WORK SESSION AND/OR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bianco called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

**Members Present**
Laura Bianco, Mayor
John King, Alderman, Place 1
Steve Lafferty, Alderman, Place 2
Cathy Stein, Alderman, Place 3
Ed Motley, Mayor Pro Tem; Alderman, Place 4
Paul Sweitzer, Alderman, Place 5

**Staff Present:**
Greg Petty, DPS Director/City Administrator
Sandra Ma, City Secretary/Court Administrator
Jeff Brown, Finance Director

**2. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
***Any action may be deferred until the 7:00 p.m. Regular Session***

**a. Recess into Executive Session**

**i. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, Attorney Consultation and 551.074, Personnel Matters, regarding the Finance Director.**

**b. Reconvene into Regular Session for discussion and possible action on:**
**i. Personnel Matters regarding the Finance Director.**

Executive Session was removed from the agenda as it was not needed.

**3. WORK SESSION**

**a. Preliminary Drainage plan for Broadacres**
Item was discussed.

**Work session on listed agenda items if time permits.**
The following agenda items were discussed.
9b. Sanitary sewer line upgrade on Sunset Lane
9c. Supplemental EMS transport coverage for residential customers.
9d. Incoming funds from TIRZ

Mayor Bianco left the meeting at 6:52 p.m. due to illness, and Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley presided over the remainder of the meeting.

**REGULAR SESSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following present:

**Members Present**
John King, Alderman, Place 1
Steve Lafferty, Alderman, Place 2
Cathy Stein, Alderman, Place 3
Ed Motley, Mayor Pro Tem; Alderman, Place 4
Paul Sweitzer, Alderman, Place 5

**Members Absent**
Laura Bianco, Mayor

**Staff Present:**
Greg Petty, DPS Director/City Administrator
Sandra Ma, City Secretary/Court Administrator
Jeff Brown, Finance Director

## 2. INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley gave the invocation. Pledges were said.

## 3. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

**a. Proclamation for Trinity Kids send a Kid to Camp Day.**

Mayor Pro Ted Ed Motley read aloud the proclamation.

## 4. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

The following items were presented.

a. **DWG Plant Swap, Saturday April 25, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
b. **DWG 90th celebration, Friday & Saturday June 5 –6, 2026**
c. **Concert in the Park, Saturday September 26, 2026 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**
d. **National Night Out, Tuesday October 6, 2026**
e. **Trunk or Treat, Saturday October 17, 2026 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
f. **Movie Night, Saturday November 7, 2026 starting at 6:00 p.m.**
g. **Pictures with Santa, Sunday December 6, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

## 5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Pam Miller, 3112 Roosevelt, Chair of the Park Board Committee, addressed the Council and expressed appreciation for the City's Public Works Department and Park Board members for their continued work and dedication to the parks.
Ms. Miller recognized Carlos from Public Works for supervising the concrete pour for the bleacher pad near the soccer field. She noted that excess concrete from the project was used to improve the drainage pipe outflow area near the soccer fields. She also stated that during a separate project on Arkansas Lane, Carlos assisted in obtaining additional concrete to help secure rocks around the park to prevent movement.
Ms. Miller also recognized several Park Board members and volunteers for their contributions:

- Pam Bookout and her husband for maintaining the landscaping near the gazebo and monarch garden;
- Donald Barrett for utilizing his engineering background to assist the Park Board and for regularly inspecting park amenities, including pole lights, benches, and barbecue grills;

- Andrew Saxon for donating plant cuttings and seeds used in landscaping near the marquee and triangle flower bed;
- Jill Howard for coordinating support and assisting with various park projects through her community connections; and
- Richard Todd, a resident of Dalworthington Gardens, for volunteering his time to power wash the bridges on Roosevelt and California, inspect bridge boards, and assist with repairs alongside Darwin and Public Works staff

**6. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Cathy Stein: noted that the plant swap is scheduled for April 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. She explained that from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., participation will be limited to individuals who brought items to swap. From 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., attendees may select any remaining plants or items of interest for their own yards. She also reported that Dalworthington Gardens will be celebrating its 90th Anniversary with several events. On June 5, a dinner and dance will be held at Arlington Classics Academy. On June 6, a sign dedication will take place at Greens Produce in the morning. She noted that Patty is preparing a historical marker to recognize the Mosig family's role in the property's history, including their connection to the Roosevelt family and Eleanor Roosevelt's visit to the site, where she identified it as a suitable location for President Roosevelt's farming homestead project, which contributed to the City's origins. From 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on June 6, a community celebration will be held at the park. Activities will include fishing casting instruction on the lawn. Additional activities will include yard games hosted by CPSAAA, vintage vehicle displays, historical exhibits prepared by the Historical Committee highlighting life from the 1930s and 1940s, antique equipment displays, a black-eyed pea shelling station, food trucks, and a concert beginning at 7:00 p.m. She encouraged residents to visit dwg90th.blogspot.com for additional information regarding the anniversary events and purchasing commemorative merchandise of this event.

Paul Switzer: None

Steve Lafferty: He welcomed everyone and said it was good to see everyone here.

John King: Said he is interested in hearing what everyone has to say regarding upcoming agenda item from Kimley Horn on the Broadacres project.

Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley: He expressed appreciation to Pam Miller for her ongoing service and contributions. He noted that the park is in excellent condition and stated that this is a testament to the work of the Park Board, City Staff, Public Works, and the Department of Public Safety.

**7. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

***Informational reports only; no action to be taken.***

**a. Director of Public Safety/City Administrator Report**
**b. Financial Reports**
**c. Investment Reports**

Departmental Reports were presented.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

***All consent items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote.***

a. **Ratification of invoice over $5,000.00 for Big Brother Plumbing Services, LLC for a sewer line replacement at 3111 W. Arkansas Lane**
b. **Approval of February 19, 2026 Minutes**
c. **Approval of March 19, 2026, Minutes**
d. **Approval or Resolution No. 2026-06, reappointing member of the TIRZ Board.**

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member Steve Lafferty to approve the consent agenda.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer
Nays: None

**9. REGULAR AGENDA**

**a. Discussion and possible action on a preliminary drainage plan for Broadacres Lane.**

Background Information:
On January 22, 2026, a Town Hall event was held to discuss the project scope and timeline, and to give residents an opportunity to ask questions and share feedback.
Kimley-Horn, the City Engineer, is now presenting a preliminary drainage plan for Broadacres Lane for consideration.

A presentation by Brandon Bell from Kimley Horn was heard in the work session.

Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley opened the meeting to citizen comments.

Marilyn Smith, 8 Rushing Meadow Court, spoke in to concern of water flow from Broadacres Lane to Rushing Meadow. She also noted that the French drains at her property frequently require cleaning.

John Henderson, 2811 and 2813 Broadacres Lane, He spoke in favor of dome inlets for drainage. He asked if the two detention structures could be side by side instead of what was proposed.

Bill Condon, 2817 Harder Lane, spoke in concerns of the drainage from Broadacres Lane to his property.

Rayne Hamby, 2910 Harder Lane, spoke in concerns of the drainage from Broadacres Lane to her property.

Suzanne Hudson, 2812 Broadacres Lane, spoke regarding concerns about mosquitoes from retained water, street grading associated with the proposed project, and whether sewer lines would be replaced.

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member John King to move forward with developing the plan and to include a proposal for placing detention under the cul-de-sac as suggested by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer
Nays: None

**b. Discussion and possible action regarding sanitary sewer line upgrade on Sunset Lane.**

Background information:
The existing sanitary sewer line serving Sunset Lane, including portions of Bowen and Park Drive, has reached its maximum capacity. This limitation restricts the ability to accommodate additional development and may impact future growth in the area. Preliminary assessments indicate that system improvements will be necessary to ensure adequate service and maintain compliance with infrastructure standards.

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member John King to direct staff to obtain an updated cost estimate for the current project and to initiate a discussion with bond counsel regarding available bond financing options.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer
Nays: None

**c. Discussion and possible action on providing supplemental EMS transport coverage for all residential water customers.**

Background Information:
The City of Dalworthington Gardens proposes adding a voluntary MASA emergency medical transportation benefit to residential water billing beginning July 1, 2026, providing residents with protection from unexpected ground and air ambulance costs. For a monthly rate of $6.75, enrolled households would receive nationwide, provider-agnostic coverage for emergency ground, air, and hospital-to-hospital ambulance transports, helping shield residents from rising out-of-pocket expenses that are often not fully covered by insurance. Staff proposes automatic enrollment for residential water customers with a simple opt-out option, minimizing administrative burden while maximizing participation and community benefit. MASA will manage member services, claims resolution, and resident communications, ensuring a seamless experience for both the City and its residents while supporting timely access to emergency care and financial peace of mind.

A motion was made by Council Member John King and seconded by Council Member Paul Sweitzer to approve the MSA emergency benefit for all residential customers, subject to legal review of the contract by the City Attorney.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, and Sweitzer
Nays: Members Stein and Motley

**d. Discussion and possible action on directing staff designating incoming funds from TIRZ**

Background Information:
TIRZ has been established but has not yet received funding for allocation.
Potential allocation categories discussed included:

- Roads
- Water/Sewer
- Drainage
- Public Improvements
- Tax Abatement

No action was taken on this agenda item.

**e. Discussion and possible action regarding amendments to the FY 2025-2026 budget in amounts not to exceed $10,000.00**

No action taken.

**10. TABLED ITEMS**
None

**11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
none

**12. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.