

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS, TEXAS, CITY COUNCIL HELD ON May 15, 2025 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
Pam Dwyer, Finance Supervisor

2. WORK SESSION

- a. **Receive FY 2023-2024 audit presentation from Brooks Watson & Co., PLLC. Action to accept the audit by resolution will be taken in the 7:00 Regular Session.**
Presentation Received
- b. **Receive presentation from Bryant Griffith -Texas Government Accountability Association Contract issues.**
Presentation Received
- c. **Receive presentation from Kimley-Horn regarding Broadacres drainage.**
Todd Batiste, 2808 Broadacres Lane, spoke in regards to replacing utility and sewer lines.

Work session on listed agenda items, if time permits.

The following items were discussed.

- 7a. Ratification of invoice over \$5000.00. Install 50-60' of guardrail in the middle bridge, demolition and removal of existing guardrail, and traffic control during construction \$20,949.40.
- 8a. Broadacres Lane drainage
- 8b. Preliminary Plat 3815 Kelly Perkins Lane
- 8c. Final Plat 3815 Kelly Perkins Lane
- 8d. Resolution 2024-07 annual finance audit
- 8e. FY 25/26 Budget Calendar
- 8f. Park maintenance mowing

3. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Any action may be deferred until the 7:00 p.m. Regular Session

a. Recess into Executive Session

City Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:01 p.m.

- i. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.0171, Attorney Consultation and 551.074, personnel matters, regarding the Director of Finance.
 - ii. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.0171, Attorney Consultation regarding Texas Government Accountability Association Contract
 - iii. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.0171, Attorney Consultation and 551.074, personnel matters, regarding Public Works.
- b. Reconvene into Regular Session for discussion and possible action on:
- i. Director of Finance
 - ii. Texas Government Accountability Association Contract
 - iii. Public Works

City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:59 p.m.. No Action Taken.

REGULAR SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bianco called the meeting to order at 7:02 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
 Pam Dwyer, Finance Supervisor

2. INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bianco gave invocation. Pledges were said.

3. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

The following items were presented.

DWG's Farmers Market 10-2 p.m. at ACA

- a. Park Workday Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- b. Ice Cream Social - Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at City Hall
- c. Concert in the Park - Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- d. National Night Out – Tuesday, October 7, 2025 from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- e. Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- f. Movie Night – Saturday, November 8, 2025 Starting at 6:00 p.m.

g. Pictures with Santa – Sunday, December 7, 2025 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens who wish to speak to the City Council will be heard at this time. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject matter of the presentation is on the agenda, the City staff and City Council members are prevented from discussing the subject and may respond only with statements of factual information or existing policy.

John Henderson, 2813 Broadacres, spoke in regards to the deteriorating road condition on Broadacres Lane. He also said drainage is still an issue and has gotten worse.

5. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cathy Stein: Thank you to the six residents who came out to help with the park workday. They did a marvelous job weeding and adding mulch to the big triangle bed directly across from DPS. July 12 is the ice cream social event. They will have some homemade ice cream available. If anybody is interested in volunteering to serve or make ice cream, call her by phone, or if you do not have her phone number, contact the city, and staff will relay a message to her. If you don't want to do any of it and want to come out to eat, show up because it is an excellent time from 6:30-8:30 to get to know your neighbors and your neighbors to get to know you.

Paul Sweitzer: Thanked everyone that came out for the Broadacres discussion. It is very important.

Steve Lafferty: Said he is also glad to see everyone that has come out tonight.

John King: We have Memorial Day coming up here so everybody enjoy the long weekend. Stay safe and enjoy the time with your family,

Ed Motley: Ditto to the comment before. He also thanked Public Works for mowing the park. It looks really good.

Mayor Bianco: Campo Verde is about to be back in action either at the end of this month or the middle of next month. They will have a soft opening and will also have a grand opening. Chef Mouhssine "Moose" plans on making several types of queso for people to vote on. Whichever queso wins will be their signature queso. We are looking forward for them to be back in action. May is mental health month. Our mental health is equally important to care for as our physical health. Mauricio Galante, City of Arlington, Michael Evans, City of Mansfield, Russel Brewster, Town of Pantego, and herself spoke on a board on May 6 regarding the importance of mental health. She hoped everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day. She wanted to thank everyone who helped this past Saturday - Fill the Pantries at Green's Produce for Salvation Army with canned goods, dry foods, or monetary donations. May 17 from 9-12 pm. Cowboy Towing is providing a Shred Day for up to 10 boxes for DWG and Pantego's residents. She also thanked Pam Miller, Iashia Bergamini, Pam Bookout, Don and Sylvia Barrett, and Jill Howard for a great job in decorating City Hall for Easter. She also introduced her Mom and Brother from North Carolina, who is here for Emily's graduation on Friday.

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Informational reports only; no action to be taken.

a. Director of Public Safety/City Administrator Report

b. Financial Reports

Departmental Reports were presented.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Ratification of invoice over \$5000.00. Install 50-60' of guardrail in the middle bridge, demolition and removal of exiting guardrail, and traffic control during construction \$20,949.40.**

Mayor Bianco read aloud consent agenda item amending construction amount from \$20,949.40 to \$12,510.00

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member John King to approve invoice H04-62579 dated 4/30/2025 from Prime Landscape Services with the balance due of \$12,510.00 for removal and installation of a new guardrail.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

8. REGULAR AGENDA

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding Broadacres Lane drainage.**

Background Information:

The residents of the City of Dalworthington Gardens who live on Broadacres Lane are currently Experiencing drainage issues and unfavorable road conditions. The City has asked Kimley-Horn to come back to council with a revised IPO

Brandon Bell from Kimley-Horn gave a presentation.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member John King with approval not to exceed \$185,000.00 with the stipulation they come back with an amendment proposal for water and sewer line replacement.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

- b. Discussion and possible action on an application for preliminary plat submitted by Aldriedge Building Corp for Lot 19, Block A, 1.01 acres of land located in The Joseph Pierce Survey, Abstract No. 1253 an addition to the City of Dalworthington Gardens, Tarrant County, Texas, and locally known as 3815 Kelly Perkins Road.**

i. Conduct a public hearing

ii. Discussion and possible action

Background Information:

An application for Preliminary Plat was received from Aldriedge Building Corp – Randy Aldriedge on 1/17/2025. Per city ordinance 10.02.04 Platting Required. No building permit shall be issued for the construction of improvement on any property not platted.

In accordance with Section 10.02.094, the plat application was forwarded to the city engineer for review. On April 21, 2025, the city engineer conducted his final review of the preliminary plat and determined the plat conforms with the City's subdivision ordinance and recommends approval of the plat.

The city has notified all property owners within 200 feet and included information on how to provide public comments at both the planning and zoning meeting and council meeting, as well as publishing the meeting in the Commercial Recorder.

Local Government Code, Chapter 212, states plats that satisfy all applicable regulations must be approved. The proposed plat satisfies all requirement of city ordinance. As such, staff recommends approval of this plat.

A public hearing was opened at the last meeting April 17, 2025
With no one desiring to speak Mayor Bianco closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member Paul Sweitzer to approve the preliminary plat located at 3815 Kelly Perkins Road.

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

c. Discussion and possible action on an application for a final plat submitted by Aldriedge building Corp for Lot 19, Block A, 1.001 acres of land located in the Joseph Pierce Survey, Abstract No. 1253 an addition to the City of Dalworthington Gardens, Tarrant County, Texas, and locally known as 3815 Kelly Perkins Road.

- i. Conduct a public hearing**
- ii. Discussion and possible action**

Background Information:

Application for Final Plat was received from Aldriedge Building Corp – Randy Aldriedge on 1/17/2025. Per city ordinance 10.02.004 Platting Required. No building permit shall be issued for the construction of improvement on any property not platted.

In accordance with Section 10.02.094, the plat application was forwarded to the city engineer for review. On March 3, 2025, the city engineer conducted his final review of the final plat and determined the plat conforms with the City's subdivision ordinance, and recommended approval of the plat.

The city has notified all property owners within 200 feet and included information on how to provide public comments at both the planning and zoning meeting tonight and City Council Meeting as well as publishing the meeting in the Commercial Recorder.

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A public hearing was opened at the last meeting April 17, 2025
With no one desiring to speak Mayor Bianco closed the public hearing at 7:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member Paul Sweitzer to approve the final plat located at 3815 Kelly Perkins Road.

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

d. Discussion and possible action to consider accepting FY 2023-2024 annual financial audit and Resolution No. 2024-07.

Background Information:

In accordance with Chapter 103 of the Local Government Code, the city's auditor, Brooks Watson & Co present the
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audit report for FY 2023-2024.

A motion was made by Council Member Paul Sweitzer and seconded by Council Member Cathy Stein to approve Resolution No. 2024-07 accepting FY 2023-2024 annual financial audit.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

e. Discussion and possible action for the FY 25/26 Budget Calendar.

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member John King to set the 1st Budget Workshop on July 29, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., 2nd Budget Workshop on August 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., and midyear 6-7 month budget review to be added on the regular agenda item on June 19, 2025 Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

f. Discussion and possible action regarding Park Maintenance Mowing.

Background Information:

Reconsider location and mowing patterns in the park.

A motion was made Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member John King to remove the mowing restriction listed in blue which is anything east of the creek.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Motley, and Sweitzer

Nays: Members Stein and Lafferty

g. Discussion and possible direction on a mid-year budget review for the FY 2025-2025 Budget

Mayor Bianco removed item from the agenda

h. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2025-09 Strategic Plan.

Background Information.

On May 14, 2025, Council made edits to the Strategic Plan. This resolution adopts the plan with said changes.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member Paul Sweitzer to approve Resolution No. 2025-09 Strategic Plan

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

i. Discussion and possible action to encourage citizens to apply for opening on various boards and commissions.

Background information:

In May of each year staff reaches out to various boards and commissions to confirm if they want to continue for another term.

In review of upcoming term expirations, staff noticed a vacancy on the Park and Recreation Facilities Development Corporation (PRFDC). Staff is asking directions on replacing board member.

A motion was made by Council Member Cathy Stein and seconded by Council Member Paul Sweitzer to include information in June's newsletter encouraging citizens to turn in an application to any board or commission that they may be interested in serving on. Currently, there is a vacancy on the Park and Recreation Facilities Development Corporation. In the future, if there are other openings, the Council will have applications to consider.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

j. Discussion and possible action on a zoning ordinance regulation of telecommunication towers.

Background Information:

The city has received inquiries regarding a cell tower. In reviewing of our ordinance the city attorney and staff saw no regulations for these towers. Cell towers are largely permitted under Federal law. However, cities may impose reasonable regulations on these towers.

At this time, no application has been received.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ed Motley and seconded by Council Member John King to ask P&Z to look at zoning requirements for cell towers and have staff bring an ordinance back to Council for permitting with a justifiable fee, setback requirements that if the tower falls, it would be on the property it sits on.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

k. Discussion and possible action to collaborate with the City of Arlington and Town of Pantego on a regional collaborative project for the FY 2026-2027 Solid Waste Implementation Grant Program: illegal dumping prevention and public education.

Background Information

The City of Arlington is extending an invitation to join the them in a no-cost, high-impact opportunity that supports our mutual efforts to maintain cleaner, healthier communities. The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is expected to begin accepting applications April 1st for its FY 2026–2027 Solid Waste Implementation Grant Program, a competitive grant funded by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ).

Arlington intends to apply as the lead entity for a project titled: "Shared Borders, Schools, and Solutions: An Anti Dumping & Environmental Education Initiative." This collaborative project will bring together the Cities of Arlington, Dalworthington Gardens, and Pantego to address shared environmental challenges through two key components:

1. A consultant-led, multi-jurisdictional study to identify and assess illegal dumping sites across our cities.
2. Development and delivery of educational outreach to students in Arlington ISD on the environmental and community impacts of littering and dumping.

A motion was made by Council Member Paul Sweitzer and seconded by Council Member Cathy Stein to approve collaboration with the City of Arlington and Town of Pantego on a regional collaborative project for the FY 2026-2027 Solid Waste Implementation Grant Program: illegal dumping prevention and public education.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Members King, Lafferty, Motley, Stein and Sweitzer

Nays: None

i. Discussion and possible action regarding amendments to the FY 2024-2025 budget in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

No action was taken.

10. TABLED ITEMS

None

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

12. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 p.m.