

Duncanville City Council Meeting Minutes
Regular Session
Tuesday, November 4, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Duncanville City Council was called to order on Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Council Briefing Room at City Hall with a quorum to wit:

Council Present: Mayor Greg Contreras
Mayor Pro-Term DeMonica Gooden
Councilmember Joe Veracruz
Councilmember Don McBurnett
Councilmember Jeremy Koontz
Councilmember Karen Cherry-Brown
Councilmember Kyle Pennebaker

Council Arriving At:

Council Absent:

WORK SESSION / BRIEFING

1. DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Contreras read the item into the record, and Interim City Manager Abernethy reviewed each item.

2. CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR

3. BRIEFINGS / PRESENTATIONS

The Briefing Session was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

A. Briefing Update on Outdoor Warning Siren System

Presented by Regional Emergency Management Coordinator Lauren Sanchez. ICM Abernethy suggested we get prepared for replacement as these sirens have a 15-year life span.

B. Brief Council on changing uniform and uniform accessory purchases to Galls, LLC.

Presented by Assistant Police Chief Ron Wilcots.

C. Briefing presentation to provide an update on the Solid Waste and Recycling Procurement Project

Presented by Assistant City Manager-Community Mark Rauscher.

D. Briefing on Armstrong Park Signage Proposal

Presented by Mark Rauscher.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session was called into session at 6:43 p.m., and Mayor Contreras read the item into the record.

The Council closed the Executive Session at 7:22 p.m.

- A. City Council shall convene into closed session pursuant to Section 551.072, 551.087 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease of real properties, being located east of Santa Fe Trail, north of Daniieldale Road, west of Cockrell Hill Road, and south of Camp Wisdom Road, and to seek legal advice from City Attorney regarding such real property.**
- B. City Council shall convene into closed executive session to seek legal advice from City Attorney pursuant to Section 551.071 (1) of the Texas Government Code concerning threatened litigation and pending claim in Qnet Information Services.**

REGULAR SESSION - CONVENE INTO THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS (7:00 P.M. OR IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 6:00 PM WORK SESSION/BRIEFING)

The City Council convened into Regular Session in the Council Chambers at 7:29 p.m. with Mayor Contreras presiding.

Councilmember Veracruz delivered the Invocation.

Mayor Contreras led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

4. REPORTS

A. Mayor's Report.

Mayor Contreras encouraged everyone to get out and vote in the Charter Election and commended everyone for participating in the election. He also reported on the TML (Texas Municipal League) Conference in Fort Worth.

B. Councilmembers' Report

Councilmember McBurnett thanked staff for Boo Bash and the Boo with the Blue events for Halloween and reviewed upcoming events happening in the city. He congratulated Kim and Jenny's for their grand opening and gave birthday greetings to Attorney Hager and Councilmember Pennebaker. Mayor Pro Tem Gooden acknowledged citizens reporting that the council could have done a better job of educating the public on the election and apologized for any lack of communication.

C. City Manager's Report

ICM Abernethy reported on the posting of the updated Comprehensive Plan to the website. He reported on proposed changes to the Boards and Commissions. He then introduced the new Executive Liaison for City Administration, Alaiyah Murray.

5. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation for Texas Arbor Day 2025. Arbor Day on November 7th, 2025.

Read by Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Tyler Agee.

B. Economic Development Department Quarterly Report & Duncanville Community and Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC) Annual Report

Presented by Director of Economic Development Victor Barrerra, Assistant Director of Economic Development Marlon Goff, and Chair/President of the Board of the Duncanville Community and Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC), Patrick Harvey.

C. Nine applicants from the City of Duncanville's first quarter Arts Grant Award cycle for Fiscal Year 2026 are invited to provide a brief 2-minute presentation to the City Council.

Presented by the Communications and Marketing Administrator, Alex Hamby. Each applicant briefly presented their proposal.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

In-person citizen comments will be heard during the Regular Session. In keeping with the City Council's Rules of Procedure adopted on June 4, 2024, electronic mail comments will no longer be read aloud. Paper copies will be provided to the City Council at the dais. The comments will be made a part of the public record in the minutes. "Pursuant to Section 551.007 of the Texas Gov't Code, any member of the public has the opportunity to address the City Council concerning any matter of public business or any posted agenda item; however, the Act prohibits the City Council from deliberating any issues not on the public agenda and such non-agenda issues may be referred to City staff for research and any future action; all persons addressing are subject to council adopted rules and limitations permitted by law" At this time, two-minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. To address the Council, please submit a fully completed request card to the City Secretary prior to the beginning of the Citizens' Input portion of the Council meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council cannot discuss issues raised or make any decisions at this time. Issues may be referred to City Staff for research and possible future action.

Mayor Contreras read the item into the record. The following spoke during the Citizens Input Period:

Sandi Ciarochi

913 St. Andrews - Sister City Program

Barry Gordon (email)
1751 Crescent Ln. - Park Signage

Gary Bennett (email)
215 Calder Ave - Roaming Cats

7. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider the minutes for the October 21, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting.

B. Consider a resolution to purchase Dell computers from Weaver Government Solutions, not to exceed \$130,400.

RES 2025-557

C. Consider a resolution for the procurement of network equipment from Todo Verde in the amount of \$92,522.53.

RES 2025-558

D. Consider a resolution for the procurement of network security equipment from Todo Verde in the amount of \$140,959.18

RES 2025-559

E. Consider ratifying an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 5, "Buildings and General Building Regulations," Article II, "Building Code," Division 2, "International Building Code," by repealing Division 2, "International Building Code," in its entirety, including amendments thereto; and replacing the 2015 Edition of the International Building Code with a new Division 2, "International Building Code," to adopt the provisions of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) 2021 Edition, as the City of Duncanville International Building Code and the amendments thereto.

Councilmember Don McBurnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Mayor Pro Tem DeMonica Gooden seconded the motion. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

APPROVED

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. Take any necessary action as a result of the Executive Session.**

No action taken.

- B. Consider a Resolution acknowledging receipt of documentation and commitment from KKMD Investments, LLC pursuant to the Purchase and Sale Agreement for 730 E. IH20.**

Presented by Victor Barrera.

Councilmember Jeremy Koontz made a motion to postpone this item to workshop it during the work session on November 18th, Councilmember Kyle Pennebaker seconded the motion. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

TABLED

9. STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS

- A. Highway 67 Temporary Tag Enforcement**

Presented by Assistant Police Chief Adrian Tijerina and Lieutenant Reagan Goodwin.

- B. Hispanic Heritage Festival - Post Event Report**

Presented by Special Event Coordinator Devon Handley.

- C. Parks and Recreation Quarterly Report for Aug. - Oct. 2025.**

Presented by Parks and Recreation Director Bart Stevenson.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

APPROVED:



CITY SECRETARY