

Duncanville City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Duncanville City Council was called to order on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Briefing Room at City Hall with a quorum to wit:

Council Present: Mayor Greg Contreras
Mayor Pro-Tem DeMonica Gooden Councilmember
Joe Veracruz Councilmember
Don McBurnett Councilmember
Karen Cherry-Brown (virtual)
Councilmember Kyle Pennebaker

Council Arriving At: Councilmember Jeremy Koontz arrived at 6:01 p.m.
Council Absent:

WORK SESSION / BRIEFING

1. DISCUSS AGENDA ITEMS

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

2. CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR

Reviewed by City Secretary Chiquita Taylor.

3. BRIEFINGS / PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Contreras recessed the Briefing Session at 6:54 p.m. for the City Council to convene into Executive Session.

A. Briefing on Zoning Ordinance Changes

Presented by Assistant City Manager - Community Mark Rauscher, Assistant Director of Planning and Zoning Dr. LaSheyla Jones, and City Planner Desiree Powell.

B. Briefing on On Duty Health

Presented by Assistant Police Chief Ron Wilcots.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session was opened at 6:58 p.m.
Mayor Contreras recessed the Executive Session at 7:28 p.m. to convene the Regular Session.

The Executive Session reconvened at 9:00 p.m.
Mayor Contreras closed the Executive Session at 10:59 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 pursuant to Section 551.074, of the Texas Government Code, Personnel, to deliberate the duties of the City Manager under the Home Rule Charter and, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to seek legal advice from the City Attorney on the same topic.

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 7:35 p.m. with Mayor Contreras presiding.

Pastor David Cartwright with First Christian Church of Duncanville delivered the Invocation.

Mayor Contreras led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

4. REPORTS

- A. Mayor's Report - Mayor Contreras thanked the citizens for their trust in the council and for having an uncontested election this year. He commended Councilmember Cherry-Brown on her service to the city council.
- B. Councilmembers' Report -Councilmember McBurnett also thanked the citizens for their trust in the council and for having an uncontested election. He reviewed events happening in the city and made an appeal for applications to Boards and Commissions.
- C. City Manager's Report - Mr. Abernethy reminded the council of the beginning of the budget process. He announced that Assistant Chief Tijerina has accepted the position of Police Chief in Red Oak. His going-away celebration is this Friday, February 20th, to wish him well in his new position.

5. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Receive a presentation on the Quarterly Investment Report as of December 31, 2025.

Presented by Director of Fiscal Services/CFO Richard Jackson and Hilltop Securities.

6. CITIZENS' INPUT

No public comments.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

The following may be acted upon in one motion. A City Councilmember may request items be removed from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration.

- A. Consider the minutes for the February 3, 2026, City Council Meeting.
- B. Consider a Resolution authorizing the execution of the TEMAT (Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for local jurisdictional participation in State emergency deployment teams.
- C. Consider a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Midlothian to utilize the Midlothian Fire Training Center once City Attorneys from both cities have reviewed and finalized the agreement.
- D. Consider a Resolution awarding a bid and authorizing a cooperative purchasing agreement with Houston Freightliner, Inc., to purchase a Vac-Con combination vacuum, jet rodder, and hydro-excavation truck through Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) Contract HT-06-20 in the expenditure amount of \$598,805.75.

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.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

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

No action taken.

- B. Consider a Resolution awarding a bid and authorizing an Energy Savings Performance Contract by and between the City of Duncanville and Performance Services of Texas, Inc. ("PSI") for implementation of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure System and installation of smart water meters through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Contract 220104, in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 302, for a total amount not to exceed \$11,900,000.00, subject to the City of Duncanville acquiring funding through issuance of a lawful source.

Presented by Director of Public Works Matt Bryant. Mayor Contreras asked to expand on the certificate of obligation portion of the project. Mr. Abernethy explained the origin of the funds and the options for paying them back. Richard Jackson added information about the debt service and the benefits.

Councilmember Don McBurnett made a motion to approve the item, subject to the issuance of the Certificates of Obligation, Mayor Pro-Tem DeMonica Gooden

seconded the motion. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

- C. Conduct a public hearing to consider a Chapter 380 Agreement with Pegaso California Construction Corporation as part of the acquisition and redevelopment of the Railroad Flats Property, owned by the Duncanville Community and Economic Development Corporation (DCEDC).

Councilmember Don McBurnett made a motion to table the item to the March 3rd meeting, Councilmember Jeremy Koontz seconded the motion. The vote was cast 7 for, 0 against.

9. STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS

- A. Police Department Annual

Report Presented by Police Chief Matt Stogner.

- B. Receive Police Department 2025 Racial Profiling Report

Presented by Ron Wilcots.

- C. Receive the Quarterly Financial Report as of December 31, 2025.

Presented by Budget Administrator Jennifer Otey.

Mayor Contreras recessed the Regular Session at 8:56 p.m. to reconvene into Executive Session.

The Regular Session was reconvened at 10:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

APPROVED:



CITY SECRETARY