City of Denton Board of Ethics

After determining that all panel members were present, a three-person panel of the Board of Ethics of the City of Denton, Texas, convened in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, August 3, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Work Session Room, 215 E. McKinney St., Denton, Texas at which the following items will be considered:

PRESENT: Vice Chair Dustin Pavelek, Member Dianne Baker, Member Kenneth Ferguson

ALSO PRESENT: Dottie Palumbo, Special Counsel

ABSENT:

1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. BOE 26-014 Request for Advisory Opinion No 26-001, received July 21, 2026. From Mayor Chris Watts concerning potential conflicts of interest.

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Kenneth Ferguson motioned for Vice Chair Dustin Pavelek to act as Presiding Officer; Member Dianne Baker seconded the motion.

AYES (3): Dustin Pavelek, Dianne Baker, Kenneth Ferguson
NAYS (0):
ABSENT (0):

The items were presented, and a discussion followed.

Kenneth Ferguson motioned that the Advisory Opinion Panel determination be that Mayor Watts is not required to recuse himself of matters brought before the Council by the McAdams Group where he has no interest in the pending matter. Dustin Pavelek seconded the motion.

AYES (3): Dustin Pavelek, Dianne Baker, Kenneth Ferguson
NAYS (0):
ABSENT (0):

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Dustin Pavelek
Presiding Officer

Sarah Burton
Recording Secretary

APPROVED ON: September 14, 2026