CITY OF DENTON CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 8, 2026

After determining that a quorum was present, the City Council convened in a Work Session on Saturday, August 8, 2026, at 08:30 a.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall.

PRESENT: Mayor Chris Watts, Mayor Pro Tem Nick Stevens and Council Members George Ferrie, Joe Holland, Jill Jester, Suzi Rumohr

ABSENT: Jordan Villarreal

Also present were Interim City Manager Cassey Ogden and City Attorney Mack Reinwand.

There was no public registration process as this was a work session only.

WORK SESSION

1. Work Session Reports

A. ID 26-1162 Receive training and hold a discussion regarding the City of Denton Code of Ordinances Chapter 2, Article XI (Ethics). [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 30 minutes]

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, there was no direction provided as the item was for presentation/discussion purposes.

B. ID 26-0559 Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Fiscal Year 2026-27 City Manager's Proposed Budget, Capital Improvement Program, and Five-Year Financial Forecast. [Estimated Presentation/Discussion Time: 5 hours]

The item was presented, and discussion followed.

Following discussion, City Council consensus was to fund the two EMS Lieutenant positions and use the additional revenue as sponsorship funds.

The work session ended at 1:48 p.m.

CLOSED MEETING

1. The City Council convened into a Closed Meeting at 1:48 pm consistent with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, as amended, or as otherwise allowed by law, as follows:

A. ID 26-1239 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086; Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071. Receive information from staff containing public power information related to a Power Purchase Agreement between the City of Denton as seller of power and electric energy services and Core Scientific, Inc., including public power utility competitive data and proprietary data specific to Core Scientific, Inc.: discuss, deliberate and provide direction to staff regarding same. Consultation with City's attorney regarding issues associated with the above matter where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City attorneys of the City of Denton under Texas Disciplinary Rule of Professional Conduct of the State of Texas or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative or potential litigation. This agenda item is related to Work Session item ID 26-0559 and will be a placeholder if Council Members have questions requiring confidential discussion as allowed by law.
DELIBERATED

B. ID 26-1256 Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071. Consult with the City's attorneys regarding the appraisal district classification of data center ad valorem and business personal property taxes where public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton and the Denton City Council under Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas or would jeopardize the City's legal position.
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The closed meeting started at 1:54 p.m. and ended at 2:10 p.m. No votes or actions were taken during the closed meeting.

CHRIS WATTS
MAYOR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

KRISTY FOGLE
INTERIM CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

MINUTES APPROVED ON: August 18, 2026