



GARLAND

Mission

We serve to grow public trust and a thriving Garland community, today and for the future.

Vision

Garland will be an engaged and vibrant community that residents proudly call home.

CITY OF GARLAND WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

The Garland City Council extends to all visitors a sincere welcome. We value your interest in our community and your participation in the meetings of this governing body. Visit GarlandTX.gov/Council for a full list of meeting dates.

The Council Chambers at Garland City Hall is wheelchair accessible, and ADA parking is available on the street as well as in the public parking garage. Persons with disabilities who may need auxiliary aids or services must contact the City Secretary's Office at 972-205-2404 at least two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Braille is not available.

NOTICE: Pursuant to Section 551.127 of the Texas Government Code, one or more members of the City Council may attend this meeting by internet/video remote means. A quorum of the City Council, as well as the presiding officer, will be physically present at the above-identified location. Members of the public that desire to make a public comment must attend the meeting in person.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON WORK SESSION ITEMS

Members of the audience may address the City Council on any Work Session item at the beginning of the meeting. Speakers are allowed three minutes each, grouped by agenda item and called in the order of the agenda. Anyone wishing to speak must fill out a speaker card (located at the entrance to the Council Chambers and on the visitor's side of the Work Session Room) and give it to the City Secretary before the Mayor calls the meeting to order. Speakers are limited to addressing items on the Work Session agenda only. Items on a Regular Meeting agenda should be addressed at the respective Regular Meeting. Items not currently on an agenda may be addressed during the citizen comments portion of any Regular Meeting.

CONSIDER THE CONSENT AGENDA

Council may ask for discussion or further information on any item posted in the consent agenda of the next Regular Meeting. Council may also ask that an item on the consent agenda be pulled and considered for a vote separate from the consent agenda at the next Regular Meeting. All discussions or deliberations are limited to posted agenda items and may not include new or unposted subject matter.

WRITTEN BRIEFINGS

Council may ask for discussion, further information, or give direction to staff on an item posted as a written briefing.

1. Parking Restrictions on Towngate

Vehicles are parked along Towngate Boulevard, causing delays getting in and out of the Towngate townhome neighborhood. Council is requested to consider restricting parking on the west side of Towngate Boulevard.

2. Parking Restrictions on Heather Glen Drive and Birchwood Drive

Recent temporary increases in enrollment at Heather Glen Montclair Elementary School necessitate parking restrictions on adjacent streets. Council is requested to restrict parking along Heather Glen Drive and Birchwood Drive due to increased traffic at Heather Glen Montclair Elementary School.

3. Consider Approving a Resolution of Intent to Establish a City of Garland Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program and set a Public Hearing

Council is requested to consider a resolution of intent supporting the establishment of a City of Garland Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program and setting a public hearing. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 16, 2025 Regular Meeting.

4. Resolution Confirming the Appointment of Civil Service Commissioners and Recognizing Staggered Terms of Office

Council is requested to consider a resolution confirming the City Manager's appointment of Ricky McNeal, Rick Parra, and Marisol Trevizo as commissioners of the Firefighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission and staggering their terms of office. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

5. Consider Approving "Clean-up" Amendments to the Garland Development Code

Council is requested to consider "clean-up" amendments to certain provisions of the GDC. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

6. "Clean-up" Amendments to the Code of Ordinances

Council is requested to consider "clean-up" amendments to certain provisions of the Code of Ordinances. The proposed amendments are primarily process-oriented and technical in nature. They are not intended to effectuate substantial shifts in public policy, as approved by Council. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

7. Atmos Rate Review Mechanism Settlement

Council is requested to consider a resolution regarding a Rate Review Mechanism settlement agreement with Atmos. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 16, 2025 Regular Meeting.

8. Investment Portfolio Report

The Quarterly Investment Portfolio Report is being presented to City Council for review.

9. FY 2025-26 Civil Service Classifications and Compensation Ordinance

Council is requested to consider the approval of the FY 2025-26 Civil Service Classifications and Compensation Ordinance, pursuant to Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

VERBAL BRIEFINGS

Council may ask for discussion, further information, or give direction to staff on an item posted as a verbal briefing.

10. Discuss & Provide Final Direction on the FY 2025-26 Proposed Annual Operating Budget

Opportunity for City Council to discuss and provide final direction to staff on the FY 2025-26 Proposed Annual Operating Budget.

Presenter: Judson Rex, City Manager, Allyson Bell Steadman, Director of Budget & Research, Matthew Watson, Managing Director-Financial Services

11. Amendments to Chapters 26 and 32 of the Code of Ordinances - Short-Term Rentals

Council is requested to consider recommended amendments to Chapters 26 and 32 of the Code of Ordinances to better regulate short-term rentals within the City of Garland. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Presenter: Brian England, City Attorney

12. Amendments to Chapter 22, Article II of Garland City Ordinance, Food and Food Establishments

Council is requested to consider amendments to Chapter 22, Article II of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland concerning specifics relating to permit revocation and the appeal process. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Presenter: Mandy Pippen, Health Director, Mitch Bates, Deputy City Manager

ANNOUNCE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A Councilmember, with a second by another member or the Mayor alone, may ask that an item be placed on a future agenda of the City Council or of a committee of the City Council. No substantive discussion of that item will take place at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will adjourn into executive session pursuant to sections 551.071, 551.072, and 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate and discuss the following:

- 13. A potential offer by the City of financial and other incentives to a business prospect and the receipt of commercial or financial information that the City has received from that same business prospect, which the City seeks to have locate within the City in the area of in the area of President George Bush Turnpike and Holford Road, and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations (551.087), and which may include the lease of real property (551.072); and attorney/client communications related to the same (551.071).**

ADJOURN

All Work Sessions of the Garland City Council are broadcast live on CGTV, Time Warner Cable Channel 16 and Frontier FIOS TV 44. Meetings are rebroadcast at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays - Sundays. Live streaming and on-demand videos of the meetings are also available online at GarlandTX.tv. Copies of the meetings can be purchased through the City Secretary's Office (audio CDs are \$1 each and DVDs are \$3 each).

NOTICE: Should the City Council be unable to complete hearing all listed items, the meeting may be recessed and reconvened to address the remaining items. The City Council may recess from the open session and convene in a closed executive session if the discussion of any of the listed agenda items concerns one or more of the following matters:

1. Pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offer(s), and matters concerning privileged and unprivileged client information deemed confidential by Rule 1.05 of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Sec. 551.071, Tex. Gov't Code.
2. The purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.072, Tex. Gov't Code.
3. A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. Sec. 551.073, Tex. Gov't Code.
4. Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. Sec. 551.074, Tex. Gov't Code.
5. The deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Sec. 551.076, Tex. Gov't Code.
6. Discussions or deliberations regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have to locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect of the sort described in this provision. Sec. 551.087, Tex. Gov't Code.
7. Discussions, deliberations, votes, or other final action on matters related to the City's competitive activity, including information that would, if disclosed, give advantage to competitors or prospective competitors and is reasonably related to one or more of the following categories of information:
 - generation unit specific and portfolio fixed and variable costs, including forecasts of those costs, capital improvement plans for generation units, and generation unit operating characteristics and outage scheduling;
 - bidding and pricing information for purchased power, generation, and fuel, and Electric Reliability Council of Texas bids, prices, offers, and related services and strategies;
 - effective fuel and purchased power agreements and fuel transportation arrangements and contracts;
 - risk management information, contracts, and strategies, including fuel hedging and storage;
 - plans, studies, proposals, and analyses for system improvements, additions, or sales, other than transmission and distribution system improvements inside the service area for which the public power utility is the sole certificated retail provider; and
 - customer billing, contract, and usage information, electric power pricing information, system load characteristics, and electric power marketing analyses and strategies. Sec. 551.086; Tex. Gov't Code; Sec. 552.133, Tex. Gov't Code]

Each year, the City Council reviews and updates its goals for the Garland community and City operations. City management uses the goals to guide operational priorities, decision-making and resource allocation.



GARLAND

STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS



Safe Community



Well-Maintained City
Infrastructure



Reliable, Cost-Efficient
Utility Services



Sound Governance
and Finances



Vibrant Neighborhoods
and Commercial Centers



Customer-Focused
City Services



Growing Economic Base



Future-Focused
City Organization



Enhanced Quality of
Life through Amenities,
Arts and Events



Commercially
Thriving Downtown