



GARLAND

Mission

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

CITY OF GARLAND WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Vision

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

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.

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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. **Abandonment of an Access Easement and Portion of a Drainage Easement to C&M Villareal**

Family Limited Partnership, Ltd

Council is requested to consider the abandonment of an access easement and portion of a drainage easement to the current property owner, C&M Villareal Family Limited Partnership, Ltd. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the October 21, 2025 Regular Meeting.

2. Deny Oncor's Electric Rate Change

Council is requested to consider a Resolution denying Oncor Electric Delivery Company's application to change rates. On July 22, 2025, the City Council approved a resolution suspending Oncor's requested rate change to allow participation with the Steering Committee of Cities Served by Oncor in reviewing the proposal. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the October 21, 2025 Regular Meeting.

3. Consider the 2026 City Council Calendar

Council is requested to consider the proposed 2026 City Council calendar and provide direction to staff. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the November 3, 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.

4. Update on the PGBT & Holford Road Soccer Complex and Destination Development Plan

Council will hear an update from staff and provide direction regarding the development of a soccer complex and mixed-use commercial destination and planned improvements to Naaman Forest Boulevard and Holford Road.

Presenter: Andy Hesser, Assistant City Manager

5. NXL Paintball Tournament Recap

Staff will provide a briefing on the impact of the 2025 NXL Paintball Tournament. This item was requested by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht on September 19, 2025.

Presenter: Dana Lodge, CVB & Events Director

6. Public Safety Committee Report - Fire | EMS Stakeholder Committee Update

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Ott, Chair of the Public Safety Committee, and Staff, will brief Council on the work and progress to date of the Fire and EMS Stakeholder Committee.

Presenter: Christopher Ott, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem, Letecia McNatt, Assistant to the City Manager

7. Administrative Services Committee Report

The Administrative Services Committee met on August 28, 2025 to discuss items referred by the City Council. The committee reviewed flags at half staff for specific events, referred at the July 7, 2025 Work Session by Councilmember Dutton and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht. Staff

outlined current practices and requests Council direction on a flag-lowering policy.

The committee also discussed engagement with Council-appointed Boards and Commissions, reviewing ordinances, charter provisions, and bylaws. Staff will provide a bylaw template for Council consideration. This item was referred at the January 21, 2025 Work Session by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht and seconded by Councilmember Dutton.

Presenter: Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager

8. Community Services Committee Report

The Community Services Committee met on September 25, 2025 to discuss items referred by the City Council. The committee reviewed outside storage of tires at businesses, referred at the November 18, 2024 Work Session by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht. Staff described current practices and ordinances, and interviewed tire shop operators.

The committee also reviewed pop-up businesses on private property at night, referred at the February 17, 2025 Work Session by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht. Staff discussed current efforts to address concerns with these types of businesses and progress made to date.

The committee also reviewed emergency weather alerts posted on social media, referred at the July 21, 2025 Work Session by Councilmember Dutton and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lucht. Staff described how severe weather information is distributed on City-administered social media channels.

Presenter: Kevin Slay, Managing Director-Customer Service, Scott Bollinger, Assistant to the City Manager

9. Development Services Committee Report

Mayor Pro Tem Lucht, Chair of the Development Services Committee, and Staff will brief Council on findings and discuss any next steps. Two related referrals from the September 16, 2024, Work Session are being addressed together under this item: Mayor Pro Tem Lucht, with a second from Councilmember Williams, referred the review of historic signs, and Mayor Pro Tem Lucht, with a second from Councilmember Dutton, referred consideration of historic signs in the existing Façade Improvement Program.

Presenter: Margaret Lucht, Mayor Pro Tem, Andy Hesser, Assistant 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.

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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.



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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



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