



GARLAND

MINUTES

The Senior Citizens Advisory Commission of the City of Garland convened in regular session at 9:00 AM on January 15, 2026, in the Work Session Room at the William E. Dollar Municipal Building, 200 North Fifth Street, Garland, Texas, with the following members present:

Present: Carol Cooper, Chair
Gail Belton, Vice Chair
Amador Castro, Jr., Commission Member
Wytonia Montgomery, Commission Member
Kathleen Gardner, Commission Member
Ann Garrett, Commission Member
Venita Lovelace - Chandler, Commission Member

Absent: Sal Liberto, Commission Member
Robert Bruns, Commission Member

Staff Present: Jesse Johnson Jr., Recreation Services Manager
Dee Muhlinghaus, Recreation Services Supervisor
Jelisa Baker, Recreation Services Supervisor
Anna Enriquez, Recording Secretary
Yvonne V. Naser, Management Services Coordinator

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approval of the November 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Gail Belton, Vice Chair, and seconded by Wytonia Montgomery, Commission Member, that the minutes of November 6, 2025, be approved as submitted. All Voted in Favor. Motion Carried Unanimously.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons who desire to address the Commission on any item on the agenda are allowed three minutes to speak.

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

a. The City Secretary's Office Will Discuss the Roles of the Boards and Commissions

Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary, will lead the commission in discussion and be available to answer questions.

Jennifer Stubbs, City Secretary, provided an overview of the roles of the boards and commissions and was available to answer questions.

b. Garland Police Department Update on Scams and Issues Pertaining to Senior Citizens

Corey Jones, Garland Police Officer, will provide the commission with an update and be available to answer questions.

Speaker not available. Item will be added to a future agenda.

c. The Commission Will Discuss Bylaws Created by City Council, Future Goals, and TEAMS Discussion

Carol Cooper, Commission Chair, will lead a discussion with the commission and be available to answer questions.

The commission discussed and provided updates to the commission bylaws as well as the future goals. The TEAMS discussion will be added to a future agenda.

d. City Hall Evacuation Plan Discussion

Jesse Johnson, Recreation Manager, and Carol Cooper, Commission Chair, will lead a discussion with the commission and be available to answer questions.

Speaker not available. Discussion will be added to a future agenda.

e. Senior Citizens Advisory Commission Website and City Department Research Discussion

Carol Cooper, Commission Chair, will lead a discussion with the commission and be available to answer questions.

Commission members discussed research and updates being conducted on several city departments.

f. Senior Center Reports

Jelisa Baker (Carver) and Dee Muhlinghaus (Senior Activity Center), Recreation Services Supervisors, will provide updates to the commission and be available to answer questions.

Senior Center Supervisors provided an update on activities, programs and future trips, and were available to answer questions.

g. City Press Upcoming Topics Discussion

Carol Cooper, Commission Chair, will lead a discussion with the commission on upcoming topics to be included in the City Press.

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4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Commission has requested:

Requested for D'Lee Williams to speak in February.

Requested the Police Dept. to speak in the month of February.

Requested Joe Thomas, Jr., Councilmember, to speak to the commission in March.

Requested the Fire Dept to speak in the month of March. Stop the bleed or CPR.

A request to speak to the commission will be extended to a lawyer who specializes in elderly issues in April.

Requested the Police Dept. speak in the month of May.

Requested Envision Dallas (formerly Dallas Lighthouse for the Blind) to speak in June.

Requested Caption Call to speak in August.

Chair and Vice Chair elections in September.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Submitted By:

/s/ Carol Cooper, Chair

/s/ Anna Enriquez, Recording Secretary