



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. ChildCareGroup Lease Agreement Extension

Council is requested to consider renewing a multi-year lease agreement negotiated with ChildCareGroup for the City-owned property located at 625 E. Avenue B for an additional three (3)

year term. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting.

2. Brand Road (S.H. 190 to Muirfield) Project - Eminent Domain Submission

Council is requested to consider authorizing the use of eminent domain to acquire the necessary property interests for the Brand Road (S.H. 190 to Muirfield) Project. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting.

VERBAL BRIEFINGS

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

3. Introduction of Mandy Harrell, Customer Service Director

Council will be introduced to Mandy Harrell, the City's new Director of Customer Service.

Presenter: Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager

4. Garland Youth Council End-of-Year Recap

GYC Members and staff liaisons will provide an overview of learning and service activities that occurred over 2025-26, as well as provide an update on recruitment for 2026-27.

Presenter: Tiffany Veno, Chief Communications Officer, Rhonda McTyre, Recreation Services Supervisor

5. Interview for Appointment to the North Texas Municipal Water District Board

Information was posted on the City's website in order to provide the opportunity for citizens to apply for the North Texas Municipal Water District Board position. At the close of the notice period on May 8, 2026, 13 qualified applicants responded. Council is scheduled to formally appoint a representative to the North Texas Municipal Water District Board at the May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting.

6. 2026-2027 CDBG, HOME and ESG Federal Grant Allocations

Staff will present an overview of the proposed allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Infill Partnership Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds for Program Year 2026-2027.

Presenter: Jason Wilhite, Construction Manager

7. South Garland Library - Curiosity Garden Mid-Year Budget Amendment Request

South Garland Library requests a mid-year budget amendment to provide additional funding for the Curiosity Garden Project, including parking lot enhancements and place making improvements aimed at enhancing the library's outdoor space and overall community experience. Unless otherwise directed by Council, this item will be scheduled for formal consideration at the June 16, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Presenter: Jason Wilhite, Construction Manager

8. Grow Garland Bond Proposition C: Granville Arts Center Renovation Update

Staff will present an update on the Granville Arts Center Renovation — Proposition C of the Grow

Garland 2025 Bond Program, including preliminary designs from Williams Tharp Architects and Semple Brown Architects and Designers.

Presenter: Amy Rosenthal, Cultural Arts Director, Michael Buchler, Capital Project Management Director

9. Potential GDC Amendment for Parking Deviation Process in the Garland Development Code

Staff will provide an overview on a potential GDC amendment to update the parking deviation process.

Presenter: Nabila Nur, Planning & Development Director

10. Administrative Services Committee Report

Staff will provide a report on the annual review and discussion of tax exemptions, including senior and homestead exemptions. This item was discussed at the April 23, 2026 Administrative Services Committee Meeting.

Presenter: Allyson Bell Steadman, Chief Financial Officer

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.

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: 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.

The graphic features the Garland logo on the left, which consists of a stylized sunburst icon and the word "GARLAND" in white serif font. To the right, the title "STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS" is displayed in large, bold, yellow sans-serif font. Below the title, ten strategic focus areas are presented in a 2x5 grid. Each area is represented by a white hexagonal icon with a green border, set against a dark blue background with a subtle geometric pattern. The icons and their corresponding labels are: 1. Safe Community (shield with star, flame, and cross); 2. Well-Maintained City Infrastructure (person walking on a path); 3. Reliable, Cost-Efficient Utility Services (water drop, lightning bolt, and plug); 4. Sound Governance and Finances (classical building with columns); 5. Vibrant Neighborhoods and Commercial Centers (house and storefront); 6. Customer-Focused City Services (family of three); 7. Growing Economic Base (bar chart with dollar sign); 8. Future-Focused City Organization (calendar with arrow); 9. Enhanced Quality of Life through Amenities, Arts and Events (tree, musical notes, and bicycle); 10. Commercially Thriving Downtown (modern building).

GARLAND **STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS**

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