



# City of Coppel, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard  
Coppel, Texas 75019-9478

## Minutes - Draft

### City Council

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Tuesday, July 22, 2025

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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**WES MAYS**  
Mayor

**DON CARROLL**  
Mayor Pro Tem

**JIM WALKER**  
Place 1

**RAMESH PREMKUMAR**  
Place 5

**BRIANNA HINOJOSA-SMITH**  
Place 2

**BIJU MATHEW**  
Place 6

**KEVIN NEVELS**  
Place 4

**MARK HILL**  
Place 7

**MIKE LAND**  
City Manager

Also present were Deputy City Managers Kent Collins and Traci Leach and Christel Tristan as Acting City Secretary.

The City Council of the City of Coppel met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of Town Center, 255 Parkway Boulevard, Coppel, Texas.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Wes Mays called the meeting to order, determined that a quorum was present and convened into the Executive Session at 5:32 p.m.

**2. Executive Session (Closed to the Public) 1st Floor Conference Room**

**Section 551.071, Texas Government Code - Consultation with City Attorney.**

Consultation with the City Attorney regarding the Open Meetings Act.

Discussed under Executive Session

**3. Work Session (Open to the Public) 1st Floor Conference Room**

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Executive Session at 6:16 p.m. and convened into the Work Session at 6:21 p.m.

- A. Discussion of Agenda Items.
- B. Legislative Update by Jennifer Rodriguez.
- C. Presentation by City of Coppell's Financial Advisor.

**Presented in Work Session**

**Regular Session**

**Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Work Session at 7:14 p.m. and convened into the Regular Session at 7:30 p.m.**

**4. Invocation 7:30 p.m.**

**Elder Roberts with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints gave the Invocation.**

**5. Pledge of Allegiance**

**Mayor Wes Mays led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**6. Citizens' Appearance**

**Mayor Wes Mays advised no one signed up to speak.**

**7. Consent Agenda**

**A.** Consider approval of the minutes: July 7, 2025 (Budget Work Session) and July 8, 2025.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, that Consent AGenda Items A-D be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

**B.** Consider approval to award Professional Services to Kimley-Horn; for the design of three (3) analyzer stations at the Village Parkway Pump Station (VPPS), Wagon Wheel Elevated Storage Tank and Southwestern Elevated Storage Tank; in the amount of \$69,800; as budgeted in the Water/Sewer fund; and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, that Consent AGenda Items A-D be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

**C.** Consider approval of a Resolution adopting the Dallas County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan Update in compliance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Action Plan requirements; and authorizing the Mayor to sign, and the City Manager to execute any necessary documents.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, that Consent AGenda Items A-D be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

Enactment No: RE 2025-0722.1

- D.** Consider approval of an increased funding amount of \$223,390.64 for Request for Proposal #215 MacArthur Park Inclusive Playground to The PlayWell Group, Inc., funded from CRDC budget and CRDC fund balance; and authorizing the City Manager to sign all necessary documents.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, that Consent AGenda Items A-D be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

**End of Consent Agenda**

- 8.** Consider approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 9, 'General Regulations', Article 9-11 'Parks and Recreation Code', Section 9-11-12, 'Roller Skates, Roller Blades, In-Line Skates, Skateboards, Coasters, and Bicycles,' by adding a new subsection, Subsection "C" to prohibit the use of e-bicycles on the Biodiversity Education Center Trail System in its entirety, or upon any unimproved surface located within Coppel Nature Park, or Wagon Wheel Park; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

**Police Chief Danny Barton made a presentation to the City Council.**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Mark Hill, seconded by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

Enactment No: OR 2025-1631

- 9.** Consider approval of an Ordinance amending Chapter 8, Traffic Regulations, Article 8-6, section 8-6-1, Definitions; amending Protective Head Wear, Chapter 8, Traffic Regulations, by adding a new definition, "E-Bicycle"; and amending section 8-6-2 "Bicycle Helmet Required", to include new terms to subsections A, B, and D(1), as well as, amending subsection C, to increase the helmet age requirement from 14 years of age to 16 years of age; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

**Police Chief Danny Barton made a presentation to the City Council.**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Mark Hill, that this Agenda Item be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.**

Enactment No: OR 2025-1632

- 10.** PUBLIC HEARING: Consider approval of a Resolution granting a distance variance of two hundred and forty-one (241') feet to St. Ann's Catholic Parish for a temporary event, from the 300-foot prohibited requirement, for the on-premise sale of alcoholic beverages, with an

address being 180 Samuel Boulevard; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

Mindi Hurley, Director of Community Development, made a presentation to the City Council.

Ken Whistler, 169 Glendale, representing the Applicant, answered questions of the City Council.

Mayor Wes Mays opened the Public Hearing and advised no one signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Councilmember Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, to close the Public Hearing and approve this Agenda Item. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

Enactment No: RE 2025-0722.2

#### **11. City Manager Reports, Project Updates, Future Agendas, and Direction from Work Session**

Deputy City Manager Kent Collins reported on the following:

1) Vision 2040 Refresh – We're excited to announce the launch of the Vision 2040 Refresh project, a citywide effort to gather community input and ensure that our long-term strategic plan continues to reflect community's the values, needs, and aspirations. Please visit the project site at [coppelltx.gov/2040refresh](http://coppelltx.gov/2040refresh) to complete our short survey or add your thoughts to the ideas wall. Those who complete the survey are eligible to pick up a free Coppel t-shirt.

2) DART Road Closures - DART will close the rail crossings at Southwestern Boulevard and Moore Road next week. Southwestern Boulevard between S Coppel Road and Denton Tap Road will be fully closed from 7 am on Monday, July 28, through 7 pm on Tuesday, July 29. Moore Road between E Belt Line Road and Carter Drive will be fully closed from 7 am on Friday, August 1, through 7 pm on Saturday, August 2.

3) Final Budget Workshop - Council will perform a final review of the proposed budget and discuss the proposed tax rate beginning at 6 pm on Monday, July 28, at Town Center. If you are unable to attend but have budget-related questions or comments, please email us at [budgetinput@coppelltx.gov](mailto:budgetinput@coppelltx.gov).

4) Fire Station #5 – Join us to celebrate the grand opening/ribbon cutting of Fire Station #5 at 9 am on Tuesday, July 29, at 157 S Moore Road.

5) Coppel Emergency Water Interconnects – Tellus Services is finishing up the connection on Denton Tap.

6) Magnolia Park – The contractor completed the installation the upper gabion basket and the gabion mattress. They are working on forming up the trail and are schedule to pour concrete on Thursday this week.

#### **12. Mayor and Council Reports on Recent and Upcoming Events.**

Mayor Wes Mays reported on the following items:

1) Open Doors at Life Safety Park: Join us Friday, July 25th, from 9-11am, at Life Safety Park located at 820 South Coppell Road. We'll be exploring the select parts of the facility with learning opportunities at each spot! We'll learn about the history of Coppell Fire Department, practice pedestrian safety, chat with a firefighter, and more! Registration is free and encouraged but not required.

2) Hygiene Donation Drive - The Cozby Library is currently collecting hygiene items to benefit Metrocrest Services. These items help promote health, wellness, and empowerment to local families and seniors in crises. You can learn more about the donation drive by visiting the Library's website at [coppelltx.gov/library](http://coppelltx.gov/library). The last day of the drive will be July 31st.

3) Boards and Commissions – Participate in local government and give back to the community by serving on one of the City of Coppell's boards or commissions. The City is seeking passionate individuals to be a part of the boards and commissions that help guide development, future needs, regulations, and more for Coppell. Applications will open on August 11th. More information will be coming soon on our website and social media!

**13. Council Committee Reports concerning items of community involvement with no Council action or deliberation permitted.**

- A. C/FBISD/LISD Liaison - Councilmember Hill
- B. CISD Liaison - Councilmember Nevels
- C. Coppell Seniors - Councilmember Nevels
- D. Coppell Arts Center Foundation - Councilmember Walker

A. C/FBISD/LISD Liaison - Councilmember Hill reported that LISD will report back to school on August 12. The district-wide Back to School Event will be held on July 29 at Hendrick Middle School. Finally, Councilmember Hill congratulated LISD's Superintendent Dr. Laurie Rapp for being named 2025 Region 11 Superintendent of the Year.

B. CISD Liaison - Councilmember Nevels reported CISD will report back to school on August 13. Interim Superintendent Doug Williams and the Board of Trustees are working on a multi-year balanced budget plan to address the decline in enrollment numbers, sustain educational quality, and ensure financial health.

Finally, facility updates include: New Tech@Coppell is looking at two options moving forward a) to remain at the current location and expand open enrollment with a re-imagined model, or b) to relocate to the Coppell High School campus and re-imagine the model as a school-within-a-school model. Board action is expected August 11. The Board of Trustees is also offering upcoming community input meetings to discuss potential elementary campus consolidations.

C. Coppell Seniors - Councilmember Nevels announced the Council Monthly Update will be July 23. The Seniors have also been enjoying the one Saturday per month opening and hope to see more dates offered in the future.

D. Coppell Arts Center Foundation - Councilmember Walker - Nothing to report.

14. **Public Service Announcements concerning items of community interest with no Council action or deliberation permitted.**

Nothing to report.

15. **Necessary Action from Executive Session**

There was no action from Executive Session.

16. **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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**Wes Mays, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Phoebe Stell, Interim City Secretary**