



City of Coppel, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppel, Texas
75019-9478

Minutes City Council

Tuesday, August 11, 2026

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

WES MAYS
Mayor

DON CARROLL
Place 3

JIM WALKER
Mayor Pro Tem

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

Present 8 - Wes Mays; Jim Walker; Brianna Hinojosa-Smith; Don Carroll; Kevin Nevels; Ramesh Premkumar; Biju Mathew and Mark Hill

Also present were Deputy City Managers Traci Leach and Kent Collins, City Attorney Bob Hager, and City Secretary Lauren Thoden.

The City Council of the City of Coppel met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, 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 5:30 p.m.

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

Section 551.074, Texas Government Code - Personnel Matters.

A. To conduct an interview and deliberate the appointment of two alternate municipal judges for the Coppel Municipal Court.

Discussed under Executive Session

Section 551.087, Texas Government Code - Economic Development Negotiations.

- B.** Deliberation regarding economic development prospects south of Wrangler Drive and west of S. Belt Line Road.

Discussed under Executive Session

Section 551.087, Texas Government Code - Economic Development Negotiations.

- C.** Deliberation regarding economic development prospects north of W. Bethel Road and east of S. Coppell Road.

Discussed under Executive Session

- 3. Work Session (Open to the Public) 1st Floor Conference Room**
Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. and convened into the Work Session at 6:30 p.m.

- A. Deliberation regarding agenda items.
- B. Presentation and deliberation regarding Drainage Utility District Rate Study.
- C. Presentation regarding 2026 Electric Code.
- D. Presentation and deliberation regarding Fiscal Year 2027 Work Plan.

Presented in Work Session

Regular Session

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Work Session at 7:13 p.m. and convened into the Regular Session at 7:31 p.m.

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

Reverend Dr. Sumesh Jacob of the First UNited Methodist Church of Coppell gave the invocation.

- 5. Pledge of Allegiance**

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

- 6. Proclamations**

- A. Presentation of a Proclamation designating August 11, 2026, as "Assistance League of Coppell 25th Anniversary Day".

Mayor Wes Mays read the Proclamation into the record and presented the same to members of the Assistance League of Coppell.

- 7. Citizens' Appearance**

Mayor Wes Mays asked for those who signed up to speak:

1) Amanda Vanhoozier, 214 Fieldcrest Loop, spoke in regard to Consent Agenda Item B.

8. Consent Agenda

A. Consider approval of the Minutes: July 21, 2026 and July 28, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through D be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

B. Consider approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Westra Consultants, LLC; for the reconstruction of Fieldcrest Loop and Fieldcrest Circle; in the amount of \$233,050.00; as budgeted in the Drainage Utility District (DUD) fund; and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through D be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

C. Consider approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Coppell, Texas, approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steering Committee ("ACSC") and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the Company's 2026 rate review mechanism filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; requiring the Company to reimburse ACSC's reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this resolution was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas open meetings act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through D be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Enactment No: RE 2026-0811.1

D. Consider approval of the 2027 Legislative Agenda Platform for the 90th Legislative Session.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through D be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

End of Consent Agenda

9. PUBLIC HEARING: Hold a Public Hearing and consider approval of Planned Development- 214 Revision 11- Commercial (PD-214R11-C), a

zoning change request from PD-214R2- C (Planned Development-214 Revision 2- Commercial) to PD-214R11-C (Planned Development-214 Revision 11- Commercial) to allow for the Detail Planned Development of a 14,480 square foot commercial center, for retail and medical uses on approximately 2.03 acres located at the south side of Sandy Lake Road, approximately 560-ft west of Denton Tap Road.

Mayor Wes Mays recused himself from this Item.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Walker opened the Public Hearing. Mary Paron-Boswell, Senior Planner, read the caption into the record.

Mayor Pro Tem Walker requested an Executive Session under Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with the City Attorney to seek legal advise on this Item at 7:48 p.m. Council convened in Executive Session at 7:50 p.m. in the Work Session room. The Executive Session adjourned at 8:39 p.m. Council reconvened in Council Chambers.

Mayor Pro Tem Walker advised that a supermajority requirement was triggered to approve this item as the individuals submitting petitions met the twenty percent (20%) threshold. Mayor Pro Tem Walker then advised that the Public Hearing Item was being adjourned to the August 25, 2026 and that all presentations would be heard at that later date. Mayor Pro Tem Walker invited persons that had signed up to speak to step forward if they would still like to speak during this portion of the Public Hearing, while advising there would be an additional opportunity to be heard at the August 25, 2026 Public Hearing after the staff and developer presentations.

The following signed up and spoke:

- 1) Vishy Subrananyam, 126 Wild Plum Drive, spoke regarding the timing of hearing the zoning change request as related to a Public Information Act request pending with the Attorney General.
- 2) Monica Panda, 114 Wild Plum Drive, requested a traffic engineer responsible for conducting related traffic analysis be present for the August 25, 2026 Public Hearing.
- 3) Nilesh Pagare, 140 Juniper Drive, spoke regarding the process of how the zoning change has unfolded to date and provided requests for next steps.

A motion was made by Councilmember Biju Mathew, seconded by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, to postpone the Public Hearing to the August 25, 2026 City Council agenda. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mayor Wes Mays returned to Council Chambers at 8:52 p.m.

10.

PUBLIC HEARING: Hold a Public Hearing to receive public comment on the proposed 2026-27 Budget for the Coppell Crime Control and Prevention District.

Director of Strategic Financial Engagement Kim Tiehen provided a presentation and answered questions from Mayor and City Council.

Mayor Wes Mays opened the Public Hearing and asked for those who had signed up to speak:

1) Randy Fite, Chief Operations Officer of Coppell ISD, 200 North Denton Tap Road, thanked the City Council for their continued partnership and support for Coppell ISD.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jim Walker, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, to close the Public Hearing and approve this agenda item as presented. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

Deputy City Manager Kent Collins gave the following report:

- Bullock and Howell - The contractor is working on punchlist items
- Royal Lane Reconstruction –The storm drain installations are in progress, Atmos gas line relocation is in progress, subgrade work is in progress.
- Justice Center remodel – The finishes are being installed.
- Fire Station 3 –The contractor is finalizing the slab to be poured within the next week.

12. Mayor's Report on the Metroplex Mayor's Association with no Council action or deliberation permitted.

Mayor Wes Mays reported that the Metroplex Mayors met that morning at the Marriott at DFW North with guest speakers from the City of Georgetown including Mayor Josh Schroeder and City Manager David Morgan. The speakers discussed activating citizens to be involved in the legislative process and described how the City of Georgetown utilized three unique techniques including a citizen advisory group to activate citizens to engage state legislators. The Metroplex Mayors Association has grown to include 48 member mayors and city managers, over 30 industrial advisory partners and sponsors, and is now a very robust group.

13. Mayor and Council Reports on Recent and Upcoming Events.

Mayor Wes Mays gave the following report:

- Boards and Commissions applications are now live! Please consider submitting your application to participate on a board or commission to help guide the development, future needs, regulations, and more for Coppell. For more information please visit Coppelltx.gov/BoardsandCommissions.
- School starts tomorrow - A friendly reminder to our community: please be cautious and slow down in active school zones and be mindful of the increase in both pedestrian and vehicle traffic. We wish our educators, students, and parents the best of luck as they work towards another successful school year.

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

Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar spoke regarding the Coppell Chamber of Commerce luncheon earlier in the afternoon and recognized the Coppell Chamber and non-profit organizations in the City for working together to help make Coppell a great City.

15. Necessary Action from Executive Session

Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith made a motion to appoint Kyle Mitchell and Robin Ramsey as Alternate Municipal Judges for Coppel Municipal Court for a two year term and to authorize the City Manager to executive an appropriate contract for the like term. Motion seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Wes Mays, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lauren Thoden, City Secretary