



City of Coppell, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppell, Texas
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Minutes - Draft

City Council

Tuesday, June 24, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Special Called Session

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 Manager Traci Leach and Christel Tristan as Acting City Secretary.

The City Council of the City of Coppell met in Special Called Session on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of Town Center, 255 Parkway Boulevard, Coppell, 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 6:01 p.m.

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

Section 551.071, Texas Government Code - Consultation with City Attorney

- A.** Seek legal advice from City Attorney regarding zoning and development code issues in the area East of Royal Lane, West of Denton Tap, South of Sandy Lake, and North of Bethel Road.

Discussed under Executive Session

- B.** Consultation with City Attorney regarding contract negotiations with municipal solid waste disposal provider.

Discussed under Executive Session

- 3. Work Session (Open to the Public) 1st Floor Conference Room**
Citizen comments will not be heard during the Work Session, but will be heard during the Regular Session under Citizens' Appearance.

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. and convened into the Work Session at 6:59 p.m.

- A. Discussion of Agenda Items.**
- B. Discussion regarding Chickens and Coops.**

Councilmember Jim Walker made a presentation to the City Council on considering an ordinance for egg-laying hens.

Regular Session 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Work Session at 7:27 p.m. and convened into the Regular Session at 7:36 p.m.

- 4. Invocation**

Mayor Pro Tem Don Carroll gave the Invocation.

- 5. Pledge of Allegiance**

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

Mayor Wes Mays suspended the rules and moved Agenda Item 6 Citizens' Appearance to the end of the meeting.

- 6. Citizens' Appearance**

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

1) Diane Walker, 214 Barclay Ave., spoke of her gratitude towards the Coppell Senior Center.

2) Alex Stein, 7509 Inwood Rd., expressed his displeasure for the Mayor changing of the rules.

3) Johnny Beetlejuice, 60301 Riverside Dr., spoke in regards to the nuclear war.

Proclamations

- 7. Presentation of a Proclamation designating the month of July 2025 as "Park and Recreation Month."**

Mayor Wes Mays read the Proclamation into the record and presented the same to Presleigh Easton, Communications Specialist, and the Community

Experience Department.

8. Discussion regarding the Budget Primer.

Presentation: Jessica Almendarez, Budget Officer, made a budget presentation to the City Council.

9. Consider approval of the minutes: June 10, 2025.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that this agenda item be approved. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

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

Deputy City Manager Traci Leach reported the following:

1) City offices will be closed on July 4th with amended hours for the CORE of 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., the Outdoor Pool from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., and the Wagon Wheel Tennis and Pickleball Center from 7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

2) Direction from Work Session regarding chickens - Staff will conduct additional due diligence and report back at a future meeting so discussion can continue.

3) Cybersecurity Attack Update - Letters have been sent to individuals impacted by the recent cybersecurity attack with resources for remedies, if needed. The City apologizes for any stress this event may have caused.

11. **Mayor and Council Reports on Recent and Upcoming Events.**

Mayor Wes Mays reported on the following:

1) Celebrate Coppell – Come join us for Party in the Park this Saturday, June 28th, from 6-10:30pm at Andrew Brown Park East. There will be live music, lawn games, a drone show, and a spectacular fireworks show. Celebrate Coppell is a pedestrian-friendly event and walking is encouraged. You can find more information about the event, including accessible parking, on our City website coppelltx.gov

2) Parade Down Parkway – Join us for the Parade Down Parkway on Friday, July 4th, at 9am as we celebrate Independence Day. The parade will begin at the corner of Samuel Blvd. and Sandy Lake. From there we'll travel north on Samuel to Parkway and then west to Town Center.

3) Applications for Parade Down Parkway – If you were interested in being part of the parade but missed the application deadline, then I have some good news for you! The application deadline has been extended to Sunday, June 29th. There is no entry fee, but an application is required for participation.

4) Budget Workshop #2 | Monday, July 7 at 6 pm: Council will hear from staff and discuss the City's general operating fund. The General Fund is the City's largest fund. Council will also hear from staff and discuss the Debt Service

Fund, used to account for the accumulation of financial resources for the payment of principal, interest, and related costs for general long-term debt paid primarily from taxes levied by the City.

5) Budget Workshop #3 | Monday, July 28 at 6 pm: Council will perform a final review of the proposed budget and discuss the proposed tax rate.

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

- A. Report on Woven Health Clinic - Councilmember Hill
- B. Report on Metrocrest Services - Councilmember Mathew
- C. Report on NCTCOG - Councilmember Hinojosa-Smith
- D. Report on North Texas Commission - Councilmember Premkumar
- E. Report on the Historical Society - Councilmember Mathew

A. Report on Woven Health Clinic - Councilmember Hill - Woven Clinic will be participating in the CFBISD Back to School Event on August 2nd from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Ranchview High School in Valley Ranch. Essilor Luxotica Vision Foundation will be conducting free vision exams at the Farmers Branch location on July 8th from 8 a.m. and at the Carrollton location at 9 a.m. Finally, the Methodist Mobile Mammography Unit will be providing screenings at their Farmers Branch location on September 23rd from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. by appointment only.

B. Report on Metrocrest Services - Councilmember Mathew - During the last six months, Metrocrest Services has provided services for 681 unduplicated patrons, 576 individuals have visited the food pantry, the Sack Summer Hunger Program has fed 47 Coppell children, and 38 households have been provided emergency rent and utility assistance. Executive Director Tracy Eubanks made a presentation to the City Council last month requesting an increase in funding support due to recent federal funding cuts.

C. Report on NCTCOG - Councilmember Hinojosa-Smith - Nothing to report.

D. Report on North Texas Commission - Councilmember Premkumar - NTC partners with the City in Washington D.C. and Austin, TX, to advocate for Coppell. This legislative session in Austin, the Commission was successful in providing increased public education funding, expanded personal property for businesses, and helped fight off restrictions for Home Rule Cities.

E. Report on the Historical Society - Councilmember Mathew - The Historical Society provided its 2nd installment of History Talks at the Cozby Library on May 24th. The next meeting will be July 12th from 1-3 p.m. at the Heritage Park.

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

Mayor Wes Mays reported the DFW Airport Board of Directors announced an anticipated decrease in air traffic and travel in the upcoming years.

The Mayor also reported that over 600 people attended the retirement

celebration for Reverend Tom Palmer at the First United Methodist Church on June 22nd.

14. Necessary Action from Executive Session

There was no action from Executive Session.

At this time, Mayor Wes Mays resumed Agenda Item 6, Citizens' Appearance.

Upon conclusion of Citizens' Appearance, Mayor Wes Mays called for an Executive Session under Section 551.071 Texas Government Code, Consultation with the City Attorney at 8:30 p.m.

15. Adjournment

There being no action from Executive Session, and no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Wes Mays, Mayor

ATTEST:

Phoebe Stell, Interim City Secretary