City of Coppell, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppell, Texas 75019-9478

Minutes

City Council

Tuesday, May 26, 2026	5:30 PM	Council Chambers

WES MAYS
Mayor

JIM WALKER
Mayor Pro Tem

BRIANNA HINOJOSA-SMITH
Place 2

KEVIN NEVELS
Place 4

DON CARROLL
Place 3

RAMESH PREMKUMAR
Place 5

BIJU MATHEW
Place 6

MARK HILL
Place 7

MIKE LAND
City Manager

Present	7 -	Wes Mays;Jim Walker;Brianna Hinojosa-Smith;Don Carroll;Kevin Nevels;Ramesh Premkumar and Biju Mathew
Absent	1 -	Mark Hill

Also present were Deputy City Managers Traci Leach and Kent Collins, City Attorney David Berman, and City Secretary Lauren Thoden. Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith arrived at 5:40 p.m.

The City Council of the City of Coppell met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 5:30 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 5:30 p.m.

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

Sections 551.071 and 551.076, Texas Government Code - Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation regarding Security Devices.

A. Discussion with the City Attorney to seek legal advice and deliberate regarding critical artificial intelligence agreements and future improvements to the deployment of artificial intelligence software and security systems information as described by Section 2059.055(b) of the Texas Government Code.

Discussed under Executive Session

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

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Executive Session at 6:01 p.m. and convened into the Work Session at 6:07 p.m.

A. Discussion regarding agenda items.
B. Discussion regarding Council Committee Appointments.
C. Presentation and discussion regarding Service Organizations' request.
D. Presentation and discussion regarding Proposed Old Town Special District considerations.

Presented in Work Session

Regular Session

Mayor Wes Mays adjourned the Work Session at 6:55 p.m. and convened into the Regular Session at 7:31 p.m.

4. Invocation 7:30 p.m.

Councilmember Don Carroll 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 May 3-9, 2026, as "Municipal Clerks Appreciation Week".

Mayor Wes Mays read the Proclamation into the record and presented the same to City Secretary Lauren Thoden.

B. Presentation of a Proclamation designating May 17-23, 2026, as "National Public Works Week".

Mayor Wes Mays read the Proclamation into the record and presented the same to Public Works Director Mike Garza and members of the Coppell Public Works team.

7. Citizens' Appearance

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

1) Ann Dragon, 626 Stratford Lane, spoke in favor of Agenda Item 8.F.

2) Jason Ramey, 630 Stratford Lane, spoke in favor of Agenda Item 8.F.
3) Rob Nickell, 634 Stratford Lane, spoke in favor of Agenda Item 8.F.

8. Consent Agenda

A. Consider approval of the Minutes: May 12, 2026.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through E be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Consent Agenda Item F was pulled for individual consideration.

B. Consider accepting the resignation of Satya Rallabandi from the Future Oriented Approach to Residential Development Task Force (FOARD Board).

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through E be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Consent Agenda Item F was pulled for individual consideration.

C. Consider approval to enter a Standard Purchase Contract with Core and Main, LP; as the primary vendor for the annual purchase of Water and Wastewater System Materials; utilizing Bid #Q-0226-03; in the amount of $93,150.00; as budgeted in the Water/Sewer Fund; and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through E be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Consent Agenda Item F was pulled for individual consideration.

D. Consider approval to purchase twenty-two (22) Q-Free XN-ITS Traffic Signal Controllers from Texas Highway Products; through Buyboard Contract #703-23; in the amount of $91,696.00; funded from the assigned fund balance of the General Fund; and authorizing the City Manager to sign necessary documents.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through E be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Consent Agenda Item F was pulled for individual consideration.

E. Consider approval to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Municipal League - Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TML-IRP) allowing the city to participate in Group Critical Illness insurance coverage for eligible, retired Fire Fighters and Police Officers in accordance with state requirements under House Bill 4144.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, that Consent Agenda Items A through E be approved. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Consent Agenda Item F was pulled for individual consideration.

F. Consider approval of a demolition contract with Garrett Demolition for a City initiated demolition of the substandard residential structure at 631 Stratford Lane in accordance with the Building and Standards Commission Order in the amount of $63,760; and authorize the City Manager to sign.

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda for individual consideration at the request of Mayor Wes Mays.

Assistant Director Luay Rahil gave a presentation and answered questions of City Council. City Attorney David Berman also answered questions of City Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar to adjourn this item to the June 9, 2026 City Council agenda. This motion failed for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, seconded by Councilmember Don Carroll, to approve this agenda item with the amended cost of $58,128.

Councilmember Biju Mathew moved to amend the underlying motion to allow the property owner 30 days to fix the property and if not fixed, to authorize the funding for the demolition.

Mayor Wes Mays requested a closed Executive Session at 8:28 p.m. as authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code for the purpose of seeking legal advised from the City Attorney for this agenda item.

Council recessed from Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Councilmember Biju Mathew withdrew his motion to amend the underlying motion.

Discussion was held.

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

End of Consent Agenda

9. Consider award of City of Coppell Request for Proposal (RFP) #220 and approval of a contract to Innocity Partners LLC., for the Smart Cities Master Plan in the amount of $115,000.00 as provided for in the General Fund budget; and authorizing the City Manager to sign any necessary documents.

Director of Enterprise Solutions Josh Littrell gave a brief presentation and answered questions of City Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, to approve this agenda item. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye - 4: Councilmember Brianna Hinojosa-Smith, Councilmember Don Carroll, Councilmember Kevin Nevels, and Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar

Nay - 2: Mayor Pro Tem Jim Walker and Councilmember Biju Mathew

Absent - 1: Councilmember Mark Hill

10. Consider review of Lynn Jenkins appointment to the Smart City Board pursuant to Section 2-11-2 of the Code of Ordinances.

City Secretary Lauren Thoden gave a brief presentation and answered questions of City Council.

A motion was made by Councilmember Ramesh Premkumar, seconded by Councilmember Kevin Nevels, to approve the removal of Lynn Jenkins from the Alternate Member position of the Smart City Board. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

- **Bullock and Howell- The contractor completed the pour on Howell Dr. and is prepping the subgrade for Bullock.**

- **Royal Lane Reconstruction – The contractor has begun utility installations.**

- **Service Center – The contractor is working on punch list items. All the furniture has been installed. Staff will move in on 6/1.**

- **Justice Center – Masonry is starting.**

- **Fire Station 3 – The demolition of fire station 3 is complete. The contractor will begin the slab preparation this week.**

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

- **Thank you to all who came out for Fun, Food, and Grooves on May 15. It was a tremendous success and a great time had by all in Old Town Coppell!**

- **A hearty congratulations to Ainsley Bramer, Coppell High School senior who won a gold medal in shot put at UIL Track and Field State Championships on May 16.**

- **Volunteer Appreciation – We are excited to welcome our volunteers to join us on June 4 at 6:00 p.m. at the Old Town Pavillion for an appreciation event. We are excited to celebrate our volunteers and their service to the community.**

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

No announcements were made.

14. Necessary Action from Executive Session

There was no action resulting from Executive Session.

15. Adjournment

There being no further business before this Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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Wes Mays, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lauren Thoden, City Secretary