



Minutes

Smart City Board

Monday, January 5, 2026

6:30 PM

255 Parkway Blvd

1st Floor Conference Room

Gautham Vemugani, Deepak Jayavant, Kanishka Chauduri, Joe Mecca, Viraf Patel, Lucia Rushton, Michael Cash, Joseph Hewitt, Lynn Jenkins, Saanvi Chiluveru and Tejasvi Kanchanavally.

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call To Order

Board member Gautham Vemugani determined a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order and convened into Regular Session at 6:30 pm. Members present were Gautham Vemugani, Deepak Jayavant, Kanishka Chauduri, Joe Mecca, Viraf Patel, Lucia Rushton, Michael Cash, Joseph Hewitt, Saanvi Chiluveru and Tejasvi Kanchanavally. Absent member was Lynn Jenkins.

2. Citizens' Appearance

No citizens present and no one signed up to speak.

3. Discuss on-boarding orientation for new youth advisors.

The Board members explained the purpose of the Smart City Board and the recommendation research process to the new Youth Board Advisors.

4. Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Board member Gautham Vemugani opened up the election by asking the board members if any were interested in the Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson position. Board member Gautham Vemugani motioned for Deepak Jayavant to serve as the Chairperson, board member Kanishka Chaudhuri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Board member Gautham Vemugani motioned for Michael Cash to serve as Vice-Chairperson, board member Lucia Rushton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes December 1, 2025.

Michael Cash made a motion to approve December 1, 2025 Minutes as presented, Kanishka Chauduri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss and review Microgrid recommendation research.

The Board reviewed the topic of Microgrid and selected board members to scope the research information.

7. Discuss new initiative research recommendation.

Gautham Vemugani presented a video to the Board on Humanoid Robots Blueprint and how the City can prepare for them in the future. He selected two other board members and a youth advisor to assist in recommendation research to present at the next meeting, as a potential new initiative. The Board will brainstorm to discuss other ideas for a new initiative to research by the next meeting.

8. Open Discussion.

The Board reviewed the final Smart Water Management Recommendations Presentation to City Council. Director of Enterprise Solutions, Josh Littrell shared information with the Board on First Responder Brinc Drones. The Board also discussed having a mentor program for new board members and youth advisors.

9. Discuss agenda items for the next meeting.

The agenda items to consider for the next meeting are: Discuss and review Humanoid Robot Blueprint research. Discuss and review Microgrid recommendation research. Discuss progress on the mentor program. Discuss feedback on the Smart Water Management Recommendations Presentation.

10. Discuss next meeting date and time.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 2nd at 6:30 pm.

11. Adjournment

Chairperson Deepak Jayavant adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Approved:

Attest:

Chair

Board Secretary