

City of Taylor
Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting Minutes
Taylor City Hall, Council Chambers, 400 Porter Street
June 25, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Buzan declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Mayor Jim Buzan
Mayor Pro Tem Kelly Cmerek
Council Member Greg Redden
Council Member Shelli Cobb
Council Member Heather Long

Brian LaBorde, City Manager
Tyler Bybee, Assistant City Manager
LaShon Gros, Assistant City Manager
Mark Schroeder, City Attorney
Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of the City of Taylor for receiving two awards at the 2026 Texas Association of Municipal Officers Annual Conference:

- Parks and Recreation Department's Bike Rodeo Program
 - Communications Department's "Taylor on Foot" initiative
- Mayor Buzan presented the awards to Betsy Schultz, Director of Parks and Recreation and to Daniel Seguin, Executive Director of Community Services and Jerrod Kingery, Communications Manager.*

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION

Amanda Feely spoke on Agenda Item #10.

Marco Solis spoke regarding transparency.

Jose Orta invited City Council to the Taylor Pride event being held this Saturday and he also addressed the City Council regarding the Data Center petition submitted to City Council at their last meeting.

Carrie D'Anna (additional time given to Ms. D'Anna by Pamela Griffin) addressed the City Council on the subject of Data Centers and the petition submitted to City Council at their last meeting.

John Murray addressed the City Council regarding the land deed and development of a Data Center.

Scott Gibbs addressed the City Council regarding the Data Center petition submitted to City Council at their last meeting.

Robin Manley addressed the City Council regarding the Data Center petition submitted to City Council at their last meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consider approval of the minutes from the June 11, 2026, Regular City Council meeting.**
2. **Concur with Monthly Financial Report for May 2026.**
3. **Consider approval of Ordinance 2026-19 Amending the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.**
4. **Consider approval of a letter of support for Williamson County's grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for the East Wilco Highway Segment 5 Project.**

Motion was made by Councilman Redden to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 4 as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cmerek. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES

5. **Hold a public hearing and introduce Ordinance 2026-21, a request for a Place Type change from P2:Rural and P3:Neighborhood to P5:Urban Center for property generally located at 1201 South Rio Grande Street, legally described as approximately 9.73 acres of land in the P. Coursey Survey, Abstract No. 131, more particularly described by the Williamson Central Appraisal District Parcels R019072 and R019918, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**

Development Services Director Martin Griggs presented the request. The applicant is seeking approval of a Place Type amendment from P2: Rural and P3: Neighborhood to P5: Urban Center for approximately 9.73 acres located at 1201 S. Rio Grande Street to unify split zoning and allow for urban center-type development. Seven (7) notices were sent to property owners within 200 feet, and staff has not received any responses. The request is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use, and Growth Sector and is compatible with surrounding zoning and development. Planning and Zoning voted 5-1-1 recommending approval of the request, with one dissent and one abstention due to questions regarding potential future development.

The applicant Brad Robbins addressed Council and was available to answer questions and provide additional information.

Mayor Buzan opened the public hearing at 6:35 p.m. With no one speaking, the public hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-21

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PLACE TYPE AMENDMENT FROM P2 – RURAL AND P3 – NEIGHBORHOOD TO P5 – URBAN CENTER, GENERALLY LOCATED AT 1201 SOUTH RIO GRANDE STREET, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 9.73 ACRES OF LAND IN THE P. COURSEY SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 131, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY THE WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT PARCELS R019072 & R019918, TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS.; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

The ordinance was introduced. No action was taken.

6. **Hold a public hearing and introduce Ordinance 2026-22, a request for an Employment Center Plan at 2700 and 2710 Davis Street, legally described as approximately 0.8331 acres of land in Terry Green, Lot 1 and Lot 2, more particularly described by the Williamson Central Appraisal District Parcels R344254 and R344255, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**

Development Services Director Martin Griggs presented the request. The applicant is seeking approval of an Employment Center Plan for approximately 0.83 acres located at 2700 and 2710

Davis Street to expand and modernize an existing convenience store and fuel station. The proposal includes expansion of the building and fuel canopy, additional pumps, and site improvements, and requires rezoning to Employment Center to accommodate the use. The applicant is requesting two (2) warrants from the Land Development Code (civic space reduction and removal of industrial use). Twenty (20) notices were sent to property owners within 200 feet, and staff has not received any responses. The request is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and compatible with surrounding uses. Planning and Zoning voted 7-0 recommending approval of the request.

The applicant Jason Rogers addressed Council and was available to answer questions and provide additional information.

Mayor Buzan opened the public hearing at 6:41 p.m. With no one speaking, the public hearing was closed at 6:41 p.m.

The City Attorney read the caption of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-22

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT CENTER PLAN GENERALLY LOCATED AT 2700 AND 2710 DAVIS STREET, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.8331 ACRES OF LAND IN THE TERRY GREEN, LOT 1 AND LOT 2, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED BY THE WILLIAMSON CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT PARCELS R344254 AND R344255, TAYLOR, WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS; AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, TO SHOW THE ZONING CHANGE ADOPTED HEREIN; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

The ordinance was introduced. No action was taken.

7. **Hold a public hearing and introduce Ordinance 2026-23, a request for a Place Type change from P2.5:Large Lot to P3:Neighborhood for property located at 2103 Kent St, legally described as approximately 3.703 acres of land in the William J Baker Survey, Abstract No. 65, more particularly described by the Williamson Central Appraisal District Parcel R018821, Taylor, Williamson County, Texas.**

Development Services Director Martin Griggs presented the request. The applicant is seeking approval of a Place Type amendment from P2.5: Large Lot to P3: Neighborhood for approximately 3.7 acres located at 2103 Kent Street to allow for neighborhood-scale residential development consistent with surrounding zoning. Thirty-five (35) notices were sent to property owners within 200 feet, and staff has received zero (0) responses in favor and four (4) in opposition. The request is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and surrounding P3: Neighborhood zoning. Planning and Zoning voted 7-0 recommending disapproval of the request following public comment citing concerns with drainage, traffic, density, and utilities. The applicant submitted a conceptual 13-lot single-family subdivision plan after the Planning and Zoning recommendation; the plan has not been reviewed and was not considered by Planning and Zoning.

The applicant Rivers Fike addressed Council and was available to answer questions and provide additional information.

Mayor Buzan opened the public hearing at 6:59 p.m.

The following individuals spoke: Victoria Kidder; John Slivensky yielded his time to Brian Slivensky; Carolyn Roepke; Michele Miller yielded her time to Ernest Ariola, Jr.; Danny Potts; Becky Ruzicka; Marcel Ruzicka, Zachary Wilkins, and Monee Michna yielded their time to Frankie Guardiola; Stacy Stork; Joe Moldenhour and Diana Stone yielded their time to J. Nelson Adams; Judy Tidwell; Sandra Tepper; Buddy Michna; Roger Swonke yielded his time to Gerry Sutton; Jace Wilkins yielded his time to Jenny Pavelka; Kenneth Wiggins; John Harper yielded his time to Pam Harper; Jennifer Madrid; and Harry Schroeder.

The public hearing was closed at 8:10 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Cobb to deny Ordinance 2026-23. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Long. Motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR AGENDA; REVIEW/DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION

8. Receive a presentation from TischerBise, Inc. on the Fiscal Impact Analysis Model.

Chief Financial Officer Robert Powers introduced the item. Julie Herlands, Vice President with TischlerBise, presented an overview of the Fiscal Impact Analysis Model, which is intended to help the City evaluate fiscal impacts of development and support planning and growth decisions.

No action was taken.

9. Receive a presentation from HDR Engineering providing an update on Task Order 45 for the Lead Service Line Inventory Development Support project.

Public Works Director Jim Gray introduced the item. Representatives from HDR Engineering, Troy St. Tours and Matthew Schorsch presented an update on the City's Lead Service Line Inventory Development project, including federal requirements under the Lead and Copper Rule, progress in identifying service line materials, public notification efforts, and next steps for additional field investigations and future replacement planning.

No action was taken.

10. Discussion, consideration, and possible action granting authorization to the TIF #1 Board to develop, administer, and manage a flood relief grant program for Downtown businesses in the TIF #1 District.

Downtown Director Niecy Baum presented the item. The proposed program would authorize the TIF #1 Board to develop, administer, and manage a flood relief grant program to assist downtown businesses impacted by the May 19, 2026 flooding event, including grants for business damage and temporary closure. Staff recommended approval of the authorization for the TIF #1 Board to administer the program.

Mayor Buzan announced that the City Council received eight (8) emails before the start of the meeting in support of this agenda item.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Cmerek to authorize the TIF #1 Board to develop, administer, and manage a flood relief grant program for Downtown businesses in the TIF #1

District as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Redden. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Buzan read the executive session items and adjourned into closed session at 9:04 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION I

The Taylor City Council will convene in closed executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney regarding:

- a. Petition Amending the Land Development Code to Prohibit Data Centers in all existing Zoning Districts unless and until a Zoning District Specifically Created for Digital Infrastructure Uses is Adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION II.

The Taylor City Council will convene in closed executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to deliberate regarding the following matters:

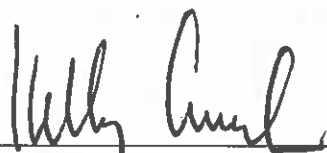
- a. Project Mustang and Project Meridian.

Mayor Buzan reconvened into open session at 11:22 p.m.

No action was taken.

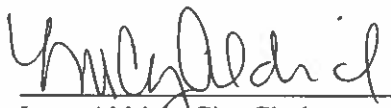
ADJOURN

With no further business Mayor Buzan declared the meeting adjourned at 11:22 p.m.



Kelly Cmerek, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Lucy Aldrich, City Clerk



