

**City of Amarillo, Texas**  
**City Council Regular Meeting**  
**January 13, 2026**

Cole Stanley, Mayor  
Tim Reid, Councilmember Place 1  
Don Tipps, Councilmember Place 2  
David Prescott, Councilmember Place 3  
Les Simpson, Councilmember Place 4



Grayson Path, City Manager  
Bryan McWilliams, City Attorney  
Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

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Amarillo City Hall, Council Chamber, 623 S. Johnson, Third Floor, Amarillo, Texas

**MINUTES**

**12:00 PM - City Council convenes in City Council Chamber and immediately recesses into Executive Session.**

On January 13, 2026 the Amarillo City Council met at 12:00 PM for a Regular Meeting held in Council Chamber, located on the third floor of City Hall at 623 South Johnson Street, with the following members present:

Mayor Cole Stanley  
Councilmember Tim Reid  
Councilmember Don Tipps  
Councilmember David Prescott  
Councilmember Les Simpson  
Absent were none.

Also in attendance were the following administrative officials:

Grayson Path, City Manager  
Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager  
Rich Gagnon, Assistant City Manager  
Floyd Hartman, Special Advisor  
Donny Hooper, Assistant City Manager  
Bryan McWilliams, City Attorney  
Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary

Mayor Pro Tem Prescott established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

*Note: Councilmember Don Tipps joined the meeting immediately after City Council recessed into executive session. Mayor Cole Stanley joined the meeting in progress while recessed into executive session.*

*Note: City Council addressed agenda items in the following order:*

*Executive Session 1.1; 2.1; Ceremonial Items, Announcements, Councilmember Remarks; Public Comment, 6.1-6.6, 6.9-6.16, 6.7, 7.1-7.3, 8.1-8.7*

*Item No. 6.8 was removed from the consent agenda and no action was taken.*

**1. Executive Session**

The meeting recessed at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened in Executive Session under the provisions of Section 551, Texas Government Code. City Council reconvened in open session at 1:44 p.m., and the meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

**1.1.** Section 551.074 - Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, and qualifications of a public officer or employee:

**1.1.1.** Municipal Judge Laura Hamilton

**1.2.** Section 551.087 - Discussion regarding commercial or financial information received from a business prospect and/or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect:

**1.2.1.** Economic development project located in the vicinity of S. Western Street and Plains Boulevard

**1.2.2.** Project #TIRZ2-2504 (Commercial)

**1.2.3.** Project #City-2502 (Hospitality)

**1.2.4.** Project #City-2503 (Hospitality)

**Adjourn from Executive Session**

### **3:00 PM - City Council continues in Open Session in City Council Chambers.**

City Council reconvened at 1:44 p.m. Mayor Stanley called open session to order at 3:01 p.m., immediately before the Ceremonial items.

## **2. Ceremonial Items**

### **2.1. Invocation**

David Ritchie, Redeemer Church, led the invocation.

### **2.2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was led by Mayor Stanley.

### **2.3. The Texas Pledge**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by Mayor Stanley.

### **2.4. "Youth Leadership Month" Proclamation**

A proclamation for "Youth Leadership Month" was read by Councilmember Tipps and received by members of the Bomb City Young Marines. Young Marine Sergeant Lambert, Platoon Leader, shared remarks.

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m., immediately before taking up Agenda Item No. 2 Ceremonial Items.

## **3. Announcements**

No announcements were made.

## **4. Councilmember Remarks of Community Interest: Individual Perspectives on Service (Informational Only – No Discussion) - Each Councilmember will have an opportunity to make brief, individual remarks regarding their personal vision for serving the community this year.**

Mayor Stanley opened this item. Remarks were made by City Council in order by place, with the mayor giving their remarks last. Once all remarks were gt

- 5. Public Comment - The public will be permitted to offer public comment on agenda items and items related to City business. Citizens interested in commenting may sign up online at <https://www.amarillo.gov/city-secretary/public-comment-registration-form/>, by calling the City Secretary's office at (806) 378-3014, or in person in Room 3500 of City Hall, 623 S. Johnson. Citizens should sign up at least 15 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting start time.**

Mayor Stanley opened the public comment period. The following individuals spoke:

LaVonda Mosley	Citizen
Craig Brucker	Other
Beth Duke	Citizen
Claudia Stravato	Citizen
Hope McCoy	Citizen
Craig Gualtiere	Citizen
Allen Finegold	Citizen
Tim Benson	Other
Mike Fisher	Citizen

Mayor Stanley closed the public comment period.

- 6. Consent Agenda - It is recommended that the following items be approved and that the City Manager be authorized to execute all documents necessary for each transaction. The following items may be acted upon by one motion. No separate discussion or action on any of the items is necessary unless desired by a Councilmember, in which event the item shall be considered in its normal sequence, after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon by a single motion.**

Mayor Stanley introduced the Consent Agenda and asked if any items should be removed. Mayor Stanley stated Agena Item No. 6.8 would need to be pulled and brought back at a future meeting. Councilmember Simpson asked that Item No. 6.7 be pulled for separate discussion and action.

Motion by Councilmember Tipps, seconded by Councilmember Simpson, to approve the consent agenda as presented except for Agenda Items No. 6.7 and 6.8.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 6.1. Consider Approval - Minutes.** This item requests City Council approval of the minutes for the regular Amarillo City Council meeting held on December 9, 2025. (Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

- 6.2. Consideration of Ordinance No. 8228.** This item is a second and final reading of an ordinance to consider the vacation of the 20-foot-wide public alley located in Block 35 of Glidden & Sanborn Addition, an addition to the City of Amarillo, in Section 169, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas. (VICINITY: SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. & S. Harrison St.; APPLICANT/S: Furman Land Surveyors, Inc. for Reinbold, Inc.) (Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)
- 6.3. Consideration of Resolution No. 12-09-25-3.** This item is the second and final reading to consider a Resolution of Support for 58th Manor, L.P.'s application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2026 Competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits for an affordable senior housing project to be located in the vicinity of SW 58th Ave. and S. Washington St. (Drew Brassfield, Assistant Director of Planning)
- 6.4. Consideration of Resolution No. 12-09-25-5** This item is the second and final reading to consider a resolution authorizing the City of Amarillo's participation in the Panhandle Region (Texas State Planning Region 1) Regional Mutual Aid Agreement and designating the Mayor to serve as the City's chief representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in this agreement. (Max Dunlap, Emergency Management Coordinator)
- 6.5. Consider Approval - Center City Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone #1 Developer Agreement with Herring Hotel Partners, LLC.** This item considers approval of a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) #1 developer agreement with Herring Hotel Partners, LLC regarding a project to renovate an existing historic structure into a hotel located at 311 SE 3rd Ave. The agreement is for 100% annual reimbursement of ad valorem taxes for ten (10) years and a one-time grant not to exceed \$900,000 for facade and infrastructure improvements. The payment of these incentives is contingent upon no less than \$90MM in private investment, project completion, and other obligations. The agreement also includes reimbursing the City in the amount of \$244,000 for disposing of Federal interest on City-owned property committed to the project by the City of Amarillo. (Drew Brassfield, Assistant Director of Planning)

**6.6. Consider Purchase - Ammunition for Amarillo Police Range.** This item considers the purchase of ammunition for the Amarillo Police Range.

**Award to:** GT Distributors (BuyBoard #698-23)

**Amount:** \$78,847.92

**Funding Source:** General fund revenues

**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (Jimmy Johnson, Interim Police Chief)

**6.9. Consider Approval - Change Order No. 2 - Amarillo Police Department 4th & 5th Floor Remodel.** This item considers approval of Change Order No. 2 to the Amarillo Police Department's 4th & 5th floor remodel project for the additional change of scope and locker room installation delays due to unforeseen structure repairs. The change order is necessary to complete the change in scope and repair the existing structure that was unforeseen in the design phase.

**Award to:** Wiley Hicks, Jr., Inc. (Tex Buy #023-086)

**Amount:**

Original award	\$3,371,800.00
Previous change order(s)	47,651.00
Current Change Order No. 2	<u>20,402.00</u>
Total award	\$3,439,853.00

**Funding Source:** General construction fund revenues (PRJ-462185) for original project, and Seized fund revenues to cover the current change order

**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (Jerry Danforth, Managing Director of Capital Projects, Development & Engineering)

**6.10. Consider Purchase - Decorative Streetlights.** This item considers the purchase of 19 decorative streetlights to be used by the traffic division for various new downtown development projects and for replacement of damaged light poles as needed. These streetlights will match existing decorative streetlights in downtown Amarillo, which are black with two globe lights and banner arms.

**Award to:** Techline, Inc. (Buyboard #711-23)

**Amount:** \$172,562.75

**Funding Source:** General fund revenues

**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (Alan Harder, Director of Public Works)

**6.11. Consider Award - Annual Contract for Well Field Services.** This item considers the award of an annual contract for well field service and supply of pumps, motors, and electrified cable for Potter and Carson County Well Fields. The contract is for an initial term of one year, with four one-year options to renew.

**Award to:** Advanced Water Well Technologies  
**Amount:** \$3,625,000.00 (\$725,000.00 annually)  
**Funding Source:** Water and sewer revenue funds  
**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

**6.12. Consider Award - Motor Repairs for Bonham Pump Station.** This item considers the ratification of an award of a contract made to repair two motors at the Bonham Pump Station as part of an emergency situation that occurred on October 30, 2025.

**Award to:** Advanced Water Well Technologies  
**Amount:** \$75,585.12  
**Funding Source:** Water and sewer fund revenues  
**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

**6.13. Consider Award - Modicon Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) for Carson County Pump Station.** This item considers the award to purchase a Modicon PLC for the Carson County Pump Station.

**Award to:** Cain Electrical  
**Amount:** \$103,502.00  
**Funding Source:** Water and sewer fund revenues  
**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

**6.14. Consider Award - Motor and Starter for Effluent Pump at River Road.** This item considers the award of a contract for purchase and installation of a motor and starter for the T-4 Xcel pump at River Road Wastewater Treatment Facility.

**Award to:** Austin Armature Works, LP (Buyboard #770-25)  
**Amount:** \$207,010.40  
**Funding Source:** Water and sewer revenue funds  
**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

**6.15. Consider Approval - Change Order No. 3 for Phase III of the Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project.** This item considers approval of Change Order No. 3 for project management of the AMI Project. The change order is necessary for field inspections and project management through May 31, 2026.

**Award to:** SL Serco  
**Amount:**

Original award	\$1,167,537.00
Previous change order(s)	232,722.18
Current Change Order No. 3	<u>114,734.12</u>
Total award	\$1,514,993.30

**Funding Source:** Water and sewer fund revenues (CIP #530044)

**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (Jennifer Gonzalez, Utility Billing Manager)

**6.16. Consider Approval - Amendment No. 1 to RFP 24-24CR Town Square Public**

**Improvement District (PID) New Improvement Contract.** This item considers approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Town Square PID New Improvement contract for a one-year extension of Landscape Maintenance and the purchase and installation of additional landscaping and specialty lighting for the purpose of appearance, safety and general upkeep.

**Award to:** Perry Williams General Contractor

**Amount:**

Original award	\$517,103.68
Current Amendment No. 1	<u>104,347.05</u>
Total award	\$621,450.73

**Funding Source:** Assessment revenues from Town Square PID property owners. The City of Amarillo will not be responsible for any funding related to this amendment.

**Is This Item Budgeted?** Yes (Carrie Roberts, PIDs Coordinator)

**6.7. Consider Award - Professional Audio/Video Services Agreement.** This item considers the award of an agreement for Audio/Video professional services at the Amarillo Civic Center Complex. The initial term of the agreement will be two years, with two one-year options to renew.

**Lessee:** Sweet Southern Sound, LLC

**Amount:** Revenue plus discount agreement

**Is the item budgeted?** No (Bo Fowlkes, General Manager)

**6.8. Consider Award - North Branch Library Roof and HVAC Replacement Project.** This item considers the award of a roofing and HVAC replacement TexBuy contract to replace the existing roof with a new gravel roofing system and replace the HVAC at the North Branch Library.

**Award to:** All Star Sheet Metal & LLC (TexBuy #025-086)

**Amount:** \$415,736.65

**Funding Source:** General construction fund revenues (PRJ-0000114)

**Is the item budgeted?** Yes (Todd Stavenhagen, Director of Facilities)

This item was removed from consent and no action was taken.

**7. Discussion Items - City Council will discuss or receive reports on the following current matters or projects:**

Mayor Stanley recessed the regular meeting at 4:10 p.m. and resumed it at 4:28 p.m.

**7.1. Update on Animal Management and Welfare Spay/Neuter Voucher Program**

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Victoria Medley, Director of Animal Management and Welfare, presented the item.

**7.2. Amarillo Economic Development Corporation quarterly update**

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Doug Nelson, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation, presented the item.

**7.3. Request future agenda items and reports from City Manager**

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. There were no items requested.

**8. Non Consent Agenda**

**8.1. Consider Approval - Amendment No. 2 to the Amended Location Incentive Agreement between Amarillo Economic Development Corporation and Texas Tech University.**  
(Doug Nelson, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Doug Nelson, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Reid, for approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

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**8.2. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 8229.** This item is a public hearing and first reading to consider an ordinance vacating the 20-foot-wide public alley located within Block 136, Plemons's Addition, an addition to the City of Amarillo, in Section 170, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Potter County, Texas. (VICINITY: SW 11th Ave. & S. Van Buren St.; APPLICANT/S: OJD Engineering, LLC for First Presbyterian Church) (Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner, presented the item. Mayor Stanley opened a public hearing. No one presented to speak. Mayor Stanley closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Tipps, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to adopt Ordinance No. 8229 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**8.3. Consideration of Ordinance No. 8230.** This item is a first reading to consider an ordinance vacating the public utility easement located within Lot 10, Block 14, City Park Unit No. 6, an addition to the City of Amarillo, in Section 29, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Randall County, Texas. (VICINITY: Andover Dr. & Spencer St.; APPLICANT/S: Steve Satterwhite) (Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Tipps, seconded by Councilmember Prescott, to adopt Ordinance No, 8230 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

**8.4. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-13-26-1.** This item is the first and recommended final reading of a resolution to consider support for a grant application for the TxDOT Off-System Rail Grade Separation State Fund Program. (Cody Balzen, Director of Planning)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Cody Balzen, Director of Planning, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to approve Resolution No, 01-13-26-1 with a waiver for one reading.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 8.5. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-13-26-2.** This item is the first reading to consider a resolution authorizing the closure of the Southwest Pool and the Southeast Pool due to safety and structural designs; and directing city staff to evaluate future options for recreational services at or in place of said facilities. (Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Donny Hooper, Assistant City Manager and Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to close Southwest Pool, and send Southeast Pool back to Parks and Recreation and the board to come up with solutions to take a look at that, and then really dive into what those solutions might look like. Motion was withdrawn by Councilmember Prescott after receiving a second.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to close Southwest pool and close Southeast pool this year until an adequate engineering study can be conducted, hand it back to Parks and Rec and the Parks and Rec Board to conduct that engineering study.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 8.6. Consider Appointment to fill vacancy on Amarillo Hospital District Board of Managers.** This item is to consider appointing an individual to fill a current vacancy on the Amarillo Hospital District Board of Managers. (Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary, Katrina Owens, Director of Finance)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary, presented the item.

Motion by Mayor Stanley, seconded by Councilmember Prescott, to appoint Clarence Thomas Warren III to fill the vacancy.

Vote: 4 - 1 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott

Noes: Les Simpson

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 8.7. Presentation and Confirmation of Thomas Hover as Chief of Police for the City of Amarillo in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 143.013(a)(1).** (Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Andrew Freeman, Deputy City Manager, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Reid, seconded by None, to approve the confirmation of Thomas Hover as Chief of Police.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

Ayes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid, Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

## **Adjournment**

Mayor Stanley adjourned the Regular Meeting at 06:37 PM.