

City of Amarillo, Texas
City Council Regular Meeting
January 27, 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 27, 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 Stanley established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM.

Note: Councilmember Don Tipps joined the meeting in progress while City Council was recessed into executive session.

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

Executive Session 1.1; 2.1; Ceremonial Items; Announcements; Public Comment; 5.1-5.3; 5.5-5.17; 5.4; 6.1-6.2; 7.1-7.10

1. Executive Session

The meeting recessed at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened in Executive Session under the provisions of Section 551, Texas Government Code. City Council reconvened in open session at 3:00 p.m., and the meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

1.1. Section 551.071 - Consult with Attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter:

1.1.1. Placement of a donated Ten Commandments Monument at Amarillo City Hall.

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

1.2.1. City Manager Grayson Path

Adjourn from Executive Session

City Council reconvened into open session at 3:00 p.m.

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

City Council reconvened at 3:00 p.m. Mayor Stanley called open session to order at 3:02 p.m., immediately before the Ceremonial items.

2. Ceremonial Items

2.1. Invocation

Pastor Margie Gonzales 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.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m., immediately before taking up Agenda Item No. 2 Ceremonial Items.

3. Announcements

No announcements were made.

- 4. 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:

Kristen Stroud Citizen
Craig Gualtierre Citizen
Tim Benson Citizen
Mike Fisher Citizen
John Adair Citizen
Katie Alexander Citizen

Mayor Stanley closed the public comment period.

- 5. 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. Councilmember Reid asked that Agenda Item No. 5.4 be pulled for separate discussion and action.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to approve the consent agenda except for Agenda Item No, 5.4.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

5.1. Consider Approval of Minutes. This item considers approval of the City Council minutes for the regular meeting held on January 13, 2026. (Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

5.2. Consideration of Ordinance No. 8229. This item is a second and final 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)

5.3. Consideration of Ordinance No. 8230. This item is a second and final 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)

5.5. Consider Acceptance - Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Grant. This item considers acceptance of an Immunization Grant, which provides funding for Amarillo Public Health to offer a wide range of public health services, including an adult and child vaccination clinic, support for local Texas Vaccine for Children clinics, ImmTrac2 services, daycare and school vaccination record reviews, and mobile vaccination clinics.

Grantor: Texas Department of State Health Services

Amount: \$261,049.00

Local Match/Funding Source: No local match required

Is the item budgeted? Yes (Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health)

- 5.6. Consider Acceptance - Texas Department of State Health Services Disease Intervention Specialist Grant.** This item considers acceptance of a Disease Intervention Specialist Grant, which provides funding for Amarillo Public Health to provide public health follow-up services for patients testing positive for syphilis or HIV.
Grantor: Texas Department of State Health Services
Amount: \$120,418.00
Local Match/Funding Source: No local match required
Is the item budgeted? Yes (Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health)
- 5.7. Consider Acceptance - Texas Department of State Health Services Community and Clinical Health Bridge Grant.** This item considers acceptance of a Community and Clinical Health Bridge Grant, which aims to improve health outcomes by increasing access to healthy nutrition, accessible exercise, and strengthened community partnerships.
Grantor: Texas Department of State Health Services
Amount: \$60,000.00
Local Match/Funding Source: No local match required
Is the item budgeted? Yes (Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health)
- 5.8. Consider Acceptance - Texas Department of State Health Services Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Grant.** This item considers acceptance of a Healthy Texas Mothers and Babies Grant, which funds Amarillo Public Health to improve the health of mothers and babies in Potter and Randall counties.
Grantor: Texas Department of State Health Services
Amount: \$85,000.00
Local Match/Funding Source: No local match required
Is the item budgeted? Yes (Casie Stoughton, Director of Public Health)
- 5.9. Consider Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Harris County Department of Education and the City of Amarillo.** This item considers approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the Harris County Department of Education (HCDE) and the City of Amarillo (City) to allow the City to use HCDE's "Choice Partners" cooperative and other HCDE programs and services under pre-set legal and purchasing terms. (Michael Lindley, Purchasing Manager)
- 5.10. Consider Approval - Annual Print Services Contract Renewal.** This item considers the approval to renew an existing annual contract for outsourced printing services for postcards,

letters, brochures and postage for various departments. The term of renewal will be for two one-year periods.

Award to: Panhandle Presort

Amount: Not to exceed \$200,000.00 (\$100,000.00 annually)

Funding Source: Various fund revenues based on using city departments

Is the item budgeted? Yes (Michael Lindley, Purchasing Manager)

5.11. Consider Award - Civic Center Fire Alarm Replacement. This item considers the award of an agreement to replace the fire alarm system in the north end of the Civic Center. The project will include installation of a new fire alarm control panel with required initiating devices and system programming and testing.

Award to: AV Corp. Fire & Security (TexBuy #025-010)

Amount: \$63,871.31

Funding Source: Civic Center improvement fund revenues (CIP #PRJ-0000128)

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

5.12. Consider Award - Flexible Aggregate Base Supply Agreement. This item considers the award of an agreement to purchase Flexible Aggregate Base. The initial term of the agreement is for one year, with four one-year options to renew, upon approval by both parties.

Award to: Holmes Construction Co. LP

Amount: Not to exceed \$316,250.00 for one year (\$1,581,250.00 total for five years)

Funding Source: General fund revenues

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

5.13. Consider Award - Hollywood Road Wastewater Treatment Facility Sludge Hauling Contract. This item considers the award of a contract for the disposal by tonnage and the truck service to haul sludge from Hollywood Road Wastewater Treatment Facility to the Republic Services Landfill.

Award to: Republic Services

Amount: Not to exceed \$500,000.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues

Is the item budgeted? Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

5.14. Consider Award - Combined Pump Station #11 Repairs. This item considers the award of professional services to repair multiple parts of the Combined Pump Station #11 unit for the

Osage Water Treatment Plant.

Award to: Smith Pump Company Inc. (Buyboard #770-25)

Amount: \$132,800.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues

Is the item budgeted? Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

5.15. Consider Award - Professional Services Agreement to Renew Hollywood Road

Wastewater Treatment Facility Discharge Permit. This item considers the award of a contract to renew the existing permit, which is set to expire March 29, 2027. The permit allows the discharge of treated effluent from the Hollywood Road Wastewater Treatment Facility into Texas Commission on Environmental Quality approved receiving streams for a term of five-years.

Award to: Kimley-Horn

Amount: \$50,000.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues

Is the item budgeted? Yes (Shannon Tollison, Interim Director of Utilities)

5.16. Consider Award - Professional Services Agreement to Renew River Road Wastewater Treatment Facility Discharge Permit.

This item considers the award of a contract to renew the existing permit which is set to expire March 29, 2027. The permit allows the discharge of treated effluent from the River Road Wastewater Treatment Facility into Texas Commission on Environmental Quality approved receiving streams for a term of five-years.

Award to: Kimley-Horn

Amount: \$50,000.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues

Is the item budgeted? Yes (Shannon Tollison, Interim Director of Utilities)

5.17. Consider Approval - Change Order No. 1 for Rehabilitation of the Filter System at Hollywood Road Wastewater Treatment Facility.

This item considers approval of Change Order No. 1 for Rehabilitation of the Filter System at Hollywood Road Wastewater Treatment Facility to address additional work needed to maintain the integrity of the system, protect public health, and comply with environmental regulations.

Award to: Aqua Aerobics

Amount:

Original award	\$1,101,024.00
Current Change Order No. 1	<u>105,888.00</u>
Total award	\$1,206,912.00

Funding Source: Water and sewer fund revenues (CIP #523220)
Is the item budgeted? Yes (William Johnson, Interim Director of Utilities)

- 5.4. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-13-26-2.** This item is the second and final reading to consider a resolution authorizing the closure of the Southwest Pool and the temporary closure of the Southeast Pool for the 2026 season due to safety and structural concerns; directing city staff and the Parks and Recreation Board to obtain an engineering study regarding structural safety; providing a savings clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date. (Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation)

This item was pulled from the consent agenda and taken up immediately following it. Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to Adopt Resolution No. 01-13-26-2, as amended for the temporary closure of Southwest and Southeast Pool for the 2026 season due to safety and structural concerns, directing staff to perform an engineering study and feasibility study.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

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

- 6.1.** Check registers published to City of Amarillo Amarillo.gov website (Katrina Owens, Director of Finance)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Katrina Owens, Interim Chief Financial Officer, presented the item.

- 6.2.** Request future agenda items and reports from City Manager ()

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. No requests were made.

7. Non Consent Agenda

7.1. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 8231. This item is a public hearing and first reading of an ordinance considering the rezoning of 253.61 acres of unplatted land, located in Section 12, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways, to change from Agricultural District to Moderate Density District 1 with Specific Use Permit 207 to allow for 35-foot-wide lots for single-family detached homes. (VICINITY: N. Western St. (FM 1719) & W. Hastings Ave.; APPLICANT/S: OJD Engineering, LLC for North Western Development Company, LLC) (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 Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to adopt Ordinance No. 8231 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.2. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 8232. This item is a public hearing and first reading of an ordinance considering the rezoning of 1.86 acres of land, being Lot 1, Block 2, Burke Subdivision of Block 2 of Barnes Highlands Addition and a portion of Tract 2, Barnes Highlands Addition, both being additions to the City of Amarillo, in Section 9, Block 9, BS&F Survey, Potter County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways, to change from Multiple Family District 1 and Residential District 1 to Office District 2. (VICINITY: SW 9th Ave. & Buena Vista St.; APPLICANT/S: Kriss Cloninger for Freedom Baptist 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 Reid, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to adopt Ordinance No. 8232 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.3. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 8233. This item is a public hearing and first reading of an ordinance considering the rezoning of a 23.83-acre tract of unplatted land, in Section 153, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways, to change from Agricultural District to Moderate Density District 1. (VICINITY: SE 40th Ave. & Mirror St.; APPLICANT/S: Furman Land Surveyors, Inc. for PEGA Development, LLC.) (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 Prescott, to adopt Ordinance No. 8233 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.4. Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance No. 8234. This item is a public hearing and first reading of an ordinance considering the rezoning of a 6.73 acre portion of Lot 48, Block 1, South Side Acres Unit No. 25, an addition to the City of Amarillo, in Section 230, Block 2, AB&M Survey, Randall County, Texas, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways, to change from General Retail District to General Retail District with Specific Use Permit 208 for On-premise Primary Use Alcohol Sales and Service by an indoor sports facility only. (VICINITY: SW 58th Ave. & S. Western St.; APPLICANT/S: Thomas Alan Rhodes for Netplex, LP) (Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Brady Kendrick, Senior Planner, presented the item. Mayor Stanley opened a public hearing. Speaking on the item were Mike Fisher, Against; Kim Benson, Against; Katie Alexander, Against; Molly Ghormley, Against; Harry Dewit, For; and Craig Gualtierre, Against. Mayor Stanley closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to adopt Ordinance No. 8234.

Vote: 3 - 2 Motion Passed

Ayes: Don Tipps, David Prescott, Les Simpson

Noes: Cole Stanley, Tim Reid

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mayor Stanley recessed the regular meeting at 4:56 p.m. and resumed it at 5:08 p.m.

7.5. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-27-26-1. This item is the first reading to consider a resolution supporting the Future Interstate Highway Formula Program. (Grayson Path, City Manager)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Grayson Path, City Manager, presented the item. Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Simpson, to adopt Resolution No. 01-27-26-1.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 7.6. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-27-26-2.** This item is a first reading to consider a Resolution of Support for Mirror Street Loft, LP's application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for 2026 Competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits for an affordable housing project to be located in the vicinity of N. Mirror St. and Dale St. (Drew Brassfield, Assistant Director of Planning)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Drew Brassfield, Assistant Director of Planning, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Tipps, seconded by Councilmember Prescott, to adopt Resolution No. 01-27-26-2 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

- 7.7. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-27-26-3.** This item is the first reading to consider a resolution authorizing participation in the 2026 National Fitness Campaign, authorizing acceptance of a Blue Cross BlueShield of Texas grant in the amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00), and providing for local funding participation in an amount not to exceed one hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$175,000.00) for the installation of an Outdoor Fitness Court® for public use. (Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Michael Kashuba, Director of Parks and Recreation, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Tipps, seconded by Councilmember Simpson, to adopt Resolution No. 01-27-26-3 as presented.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.8. Consideration of Resolution No. 01-27-26-4. This item is the first reading to consider a resolution to make a nomination to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Randall County Appraisal District, created by the resignation of Daryl Furman. (Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary)

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Stephanie Coggins, City Secretary, presented the item. Motion by Councilmember Simpson, seconded by Councilmember Tipps, to adopt Resolution No. 01-27-26-4 nominating Jack Klaus as a candidate.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.9. Consider Approval - Change Order No. 4 to Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Implementation. This item considers approval of Change Order No. 4 for AMI Implementation. The change order is necessary to address verified meter quantity shortfalls, convert composite meters to metal body meters for durability and consistency, add required radios, expand installation and restoration services, relocate the 24th Street Pump Station monopole due to site constraints, and extend Phase Two project management services to align with the revised project schedule and ensure successful completion of the citywide AMI deployment.

Award to: Thirkettle Corporation d.b.a. Utiliuse

Amount:

Original award	\$22,528,581.16
Previous change order(s)	\$4,300,855.46
Current Change Order No. 4	<u>\$1,942,426.17</u>
Total award	\$28,771,862.79

Funding Source: Texas Water Development Board bond proceeds (CIP #530044)

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

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Jennifer Gonzalez, Utility Billing Manager, presented the item.

Motion by Councilmember Prescott, seconded by Councilmember Simpson, to approve Change Order No. 4.

Vote: 5 - 0 Motion Passed

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

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

7.10. Consider Award – Construction Manager At-Risk (CMAR) Services for New Lift Stations and Forced Mains at Playa 6 and Playa 7. This item considers the award of a

Construction Manager At-Risk Services contract, establishing an Initial Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) and Delivery Proposal for the New Lift Stations and Forced Mains at Playa 6 and Playa 7.

Award to: Western Builders of Amarillo, Inc.

Amount: Pre-Construction Phase Fee – \$40,000 (Lump Sum); Construction Phase Fee – 3.25% of Construction Costs; General Conditions – estimated 3.5% to 5.0% of Construction Costs (to be finalized in the final GMP).

Funding Source: Drainage utility fund bond proceeds (CIPs #PRJ-560221 23-24 and #PRJ-560133)

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

Mayor Stanley introduced the item. Jerry Danforth, Managing Director of Capital Projects, Development & Engineering, presented the item.

During the presentation, Mayor Stanley recessed the regular meeting at 5:40 p.m. Mayor Stanley resumed the meeting at 5:47 p.m., and Mr. Danforth finished presenting the item. Motion by Councilmember Simpson, seconded by Councilmember Reid, to award the Construction Manager At-Risk Services for New Lift Stations and Forced Mains at Playa 6 and Playa 7.

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 5:57 PM.