



City of Killeen

Agenda

City Council

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

5:00 PM

City Hall
Council Chambers
101 N. College Street
Killeen, Texas 76541

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

___ Joseph Solomon, Mayor	___ Jessica Gonzalez
___ Debbie Nash-King	___ Charles Kimble
___ Mellisa Brown	___ David Bass
___ Beverly Ann Williams	___ Anthony Kendrick

Approval of Agenda

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

This section allows members of the public to address the Council regarding any item, other than a public hearing item, on the agenda for Council's consideration. Each person shall sign up prior to the start of the Council meeting, may speak only one (1) time, and such address shall be limited to three (3) minutes. A timer will be placed so that the speaker and citizens can see it. A majority vote of the City Council is required for any time extensions. The Mayor and Councilmembers shall have one (1) minute to respond to citizen comments with a statement or explanation without engaging in dialogue.

Discussion Items

1. [DS-26-060](#) Discuss charter amendments related to citizen comment period during City Council meetings.
Attachments: [Presentation](#)
2. [DS-26-061](#) Discuss additional proposed charter amendments.
3. [DS-26-059](#) Discuss Animal Adoption Facility

Executive Session

4. [DS-26-062](#) Discuss Interim City Manager Appointment

Adjournment

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the Internet and on the bulletin board at Killeen City Hall on or before 5:00 p.m. on July 8, 2026.

Micheal Lollar, Interim City Secretary

The public is hereby informed that notices for City of Killeen meetings will no longer distinguish between matters to be discussed in open or closed session of a meeting. This practice is in accordance with rulings by the Texas Attorney General that, under the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may convene a closed session to discuss any matter listed on the agenda, without prior or further notice, if the matter is one that the Open Meetings Act allows to be discussed in a closed session.

This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Law [V.T.C.A., Government Code, § 551.001 et seq.]. This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act [42 USC 12101 (1991)]. The facility is wheelchair accessible and handicap parking is available. Requests for sign interpretive services are available upon requests received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. To make arrangements for those services, please call 254-501-7717, City Secretary's Office, or TDD 1-800-734-2989.

Notice of Meetings

The Mayor and/or City Council have been invited to attend and/or participate in the following meetings/conferences/events. Although a quorum of the members of the City Council may or may not be available to attend this meeting, this notice is being posted to meet the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act and subsequent opinions of the Texas Attorney General's Office. No official action will be taken by Council.

- Gary Sinise and the LT Dan Band Concert 2026, Friday, July 10, 2026, 6:00 p.m. Sadowski Parade Field, III Armored Corps Headquarters Building, 1001 761st Tank Battalion Ave., Fort Hood, TX 76544
- Killeen 2026 Senior Center Prom July 17, 2026, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Killeen Civic & Conference Center 3601 S.W.S. Young Drive, Killeen, TX
- Killeen Police Department Graduation & Swearing -In Ceremony, September 4, 2026, 10:00 am, Killeen Civic and Conference Center 3601 S. WS Young Killeen Drive, TX 76542
- Greater Killeen Chamber of Commerce 93rd Annual Banquet, September 17, 2026, 6:00 pm, Killeen Civic and Conference Center, 3601 S. WS Young Drive, Killeen, TX

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City of Killeen

Staff Report

File Number: DS-26-060

Discuss charter amendments related to citizen comment period during City Council meetings.



CHARTER RECOMMENDATIONS: CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD

DS-26-060

July 14, 2026

Background

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- ❑ The *Governing Standards and Expectations* serve as a single-source reference for the City Council's rules, protocols, procedures, policies, and expectations for itself, committee/board members, staff, and the public.
- ❑ First adopted by the City Council in 2018.
- ❑ Regularly reviewed, amended, and readopted around June of every year.

Background

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- ❑ The Texas Open Meetings Act requires that a governmental body allow members of the public to address the body “regarding an item on an agenda...during the body's consideration of the item.”
- ❑ The *Governing Standards & Expectations* expanded that right to allow the public to speak on non-agenda items.
- ❑ The section granting the ability to speak on non-agenda items was removed in January 2024.

Comparison

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- ❑ In reviewing the charters of the 22 other cities between 100k—300k population, none were found to have a provision requiring a citizen comment period on non-agenda items.
- ❑ A vast majority of those cities did have a provision stating something to the effect of “the city council shall determine its own rules and order of business.”
 - ▣ This is very similar to the provision contained in the City of Killeen’s City Charter.

Committee Recommendation

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- ❑ The Charter Review Committee recommended that the Charter should adopt procedures to allow citizens the opportunity to speak on City-related non-agenda items at all regular council meetings.
- ❑ All comments should be addressed to the Council as a whole and not at an individual council member.
- ❑ Based on the recommendation, amendments would need to be made to Section 36 of the Charter.

Section 36

RULES OF PROCEDURE: JOURNAL

Section 36. The council shall determine its own rules and order of business. It shall keep an indexed journal of its proceedings and the journal shall be open to the public inspection.

The above notwithstanding, during a regular council meeting, Council shall afford citizens the opportunity to speak on any topic that is related to city business, regardless if the topic of discussion is on the approved agenda for that meeting. All comments shall remain germane to city related business. An individual making such comments should address the City Council as a whole and shall refrain from personally addressing any individual members of the Council.

Direction

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- Staff requests direction as to whether City Council (i) accepts, (ii) modifies and accepts, or (iii) rejects the Charter Review Committee's recommendation regarding the citizen comment period during City Council meetings.



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