

City of Killeen
City Council Meeting
Killeen City Hall
March 24, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Riakos Adams

Attending: Mayor Protem Ramon Alvarez, Councilmembers Anthony Kendrick, Joseph Solomon, Ramon Alvarez and Jessica Gonzalez

Also attending were City Manager Kent Cagle, Assistant City Manager Jeffery Reynolds, Assistant City Manager Laurie Wilson, City Attorney Holli Clements, Deputy City Secretary Beatrice Canseco and Sergeant-at-Arms Moore

Mayor Adams gave the invocation. Mayor Protem Alvarez led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Presentations

PR-26-007 Award of Insurance Services Organization Classification Plaque to the City of Killeen

Mayor Adams and Fire Chief Jim Kubinski recognized the Bell County Communications Center, the City of Killeen Water and Sewer Division and the Killeen Fire Department for their joint efforts in maintaining the City of Killeen's ISO Class 1 rating.

Work Session

Discuss agenda items 2 - 13 for the March 24, 2026 Regular Session

Citizen Comments on Agenda Items

David Bass spoke regarding DS-26-026.

Michael Fornino spoke regarding DS-26-026 and DS-26-028.

James Sills spoke regarding DS-26-028.

Mellisa Brown spoke regarding RS-26-045, DS-26-025, DS-26-026 and DS-26-028.

Heather McMillin spoke regarding DS-26-026.

Regular Session

Consent Agenda

- MN-26-011** Consider Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting of February 17, 2026.
- RS-26-045** Consider a memorandum/resolution accepting the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025.
- RS-26-046** Consider a memorandum/resolution awarding RFP#26-17, Killeen Convention & Visitors Bureau Junetober Fest, to SBG Hospitality, in the annual amount of \$75,000.00.
- RS-26-047** Consider a memorandum/resolution adopting the Killeen Public Library Five-Year Strategic Plan 2026-2030.
- RS-26-048** Consider a memorandum/resolution dissolving the Downtown Advisory Committee and creating a Main Street Board to support downtown revitalization efforts.
- RS-26-049** Consider a memorandum/resolution appointing presiding and alternate judges for the May 2, 2026 General and Special Elections.
- RS-26-050** Consider a memorandum/resolution appointing a Councilmember to the Killeen Economic Development Corporation.
- OR-26-007** Consider an ordinance declaring an unopposed candidate and cancelling the May 2, 2026 Special Election for District 2.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN THE MAY 2, 2026 SPECIAL ELECTION FOR DISTRICT 2; CANCELLING THE SPECIAL ELECTION IN THE DISTRICT WITH UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Protem Alvarez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Public Hearings

- PH-26-010** Hold a public hearing and consider a City-Initiated request on behalf of six (6) property owners (Case# Z26-01) to rezone approximately 1.18 acre, being Lots 1-2, 4-7, Block 1, Wanda Park from "B-5" (Business District) to "R-2" (Two-Family Residential District). The subject properties are locally addressed as 1810, 1814, 1906, 1910, 1914, and 2002 Wood Avenue, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.18 ACRE BEING LOTS 1-2, 4-7, BLOCK 1, WANDA PARK FROM "B-5" (BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "R-2" (TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
This item was presented to City Council during their Work Session. Ms. Meshier was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing.

With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Mayor Protem Alvarez to approve PH-26-010. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Solomon. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

PH-26-011 Hold a public hearing and consider a City-initiated request, on behalf of Welstand Properties, LLC, (Case# Z26-02) to rezone approximately 0.16 acre, being Lot 1, Block 1, Ernest Bridges Subdivision, and a 12' x 115' strip adjoining on the north from "B-5" (Business District) to "R-1" (Single-Family Residential District). The subject property is locally addressed as 1011 Rocky Lane, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.16 ACRE, BEING LOT 1, BLOCK 1, ERNEST BRIDGES SUBDIVISION, AND A 12' X 115' STRIP ADJOINING ON THE NORTH, FROM "B-5" (BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "R-1" (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
This item was presented to City Council during their Work Session. Ms. Meshier was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing.

With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon to approve PH-26-011. Motion was seconded by Mayor Protem Alvarez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

PH-26-012 Hold a public hearing and consider a City-initiated request, on behalf of Anthony Michael Barrett, (Case# Z26-03) to rezone approximately 0.99 acre, being Lots 1-6, Block 1, Bonner Terrace Subdivision, from "B-3" (Local Business District) to "R-2" (Two-Family Residential District). The subject properties are locally addressed as 1302, 1304, 1306, 1308, 1310, and 1312 West Jasper Drive, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 0.99 ACRE BEING PART OF LOTS 1–6, BLOCK 1, BONNER TERRACE SUBDIVISION FROM "B-3" (LOCAL

BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "R-2" (TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
This item was presented to City Council during their Work Session. Ms. Meshier was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing.

With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon to approve PH-26-012. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

PH-26-013 Hold a public hearing and consider a City-initiated request, on behalf of six (6) property owners, (Case# Z26-04) to rezone approximately 1.16 acre, being Lots 1-3, Block 4 out of the Western Hills 1st Phase Subdivision, and Lots 1-3, Block 20 out of the Western Hills 2nd Phase Subdivision from "B-3" (Local Business District) to "R-1" (Single-Family Residential District). The subject properties are locally addressed as 1801, 1803, and 1805 Leader Drive; and 1802, 1804, and 1806 Mona Drive, Killeen, Texas.

The City Secretary read the caption of the ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF KILLEEN ZONING ORDINANCE BY CHANGING THE ZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.16 ACRE BEING PART OF LOTS 1-3, BLOCK 4, WESTERN HILLS 1ST PHASE SUBDIVISION, AND LOTS 1-3, BLOCK 20, WESTERN HILLS 2ND PHASE SUBDIVISION FROM "B-3" (LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) TO "R-1" (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT); PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
This item was presented to City Council during their Work Session. Ms. Meshier was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Mayor Adams opened the public hearing.

With no one appearing, the public hearing was closed.

Motion was made by Councilmember Solomon to approve PH-26-013. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Kendrick. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Discussion Item

DS-26-022 Inclusive Programming and Future Amenity Opportunities

Staff Comments: Antonio Murphy, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation

Mr. Murphy presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Mr. Murphy was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Mayor Protem Alvarez directing staff to further develop and refine a phased plan for inclusive programming. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Solomon. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

DS-26-023 Discuss and consider Fiscal Year 2025 excess fund balance and potential allocation options.

Staff Comments: Judith Tangalin, Executive Director of Finance
Ms. Tanglin presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Ms. Tangalin was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Mayor Protem Alvarez directing staff to proceed with the proposed use of General Fund FY 2025 excess fund balance for one-time purposes to be incorporated into the Mid-Year Budget Amendment. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Solomon. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

DS-26-024 Discuss potential bond refunding to reduce debt service costs

Staff Comments: Judith Tangalin, Executive Director of Finance
Ms. Tanglin presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Ms. Tangalin was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Councilmember Solomon directing staff to proceed with bond refunding process. Motion was seconded by Mayor Protem Alvarez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

DS-26-025 Discuss and consider co-naming Elms Road to Grey Wolves Trail from Clear Creek Road to Robinett Road.

Staff Comments: Wallis Meshier, Executive Director of Development Services
Ms. Meshier and Councilmember Kendrick presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Ms. Meshier and Councilmember Kendrick were available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Councilmember Kendrick directing staff to include "Grey Wolves Trail" as a co-name to Elms Road street signs between Clear Creek Road and Robinette Road. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez.

An amendment to the motion was made by Councilmember Gonzalez to require the project be funded privately by Councilmember Kendrick and Mayor Protem Alvarez. Motion to amend was seconded by Mayor Protem Alvarez. The amendment carried unanimously (4-0).

The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

DS-26-026 Discuss and consider City Council meeting agenda format.

Staff Comments: Holli Clements, City Attorney

Ms. Clements presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Ms. Clements was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Councilmember Solomon to table further discussion following the regularly scheduled review by Council following the May 2, 2026 General and Special Elections. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

DS-26-027 Discuss and consider a letter of support for the BASIC Act.

Mayor Adams presented this item to City Council for discussion and consideration. Mayor Adams was available to provide additional information and to answer questions.

Motion of direction was made by Mayor Protem Alvarez to approve a letter of support for the BASIC Act. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Solomon. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Executive Session

DS-26-028 City Manager Quarterly Review

At 5:42 p.m., Mayor Adams called for City Council to recess the meeting into Executive Session.

Per V.T.C.A., Government Code Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters, the City Council will conduct a City Manager quarterly review. Public discussion of this matter would not be in the best interest of the city.

At 6:43 p.m., Mayor Adams reconvened the City Council meeting into Regular Session.

RQ-26-002 Housing Affordability and Tiny Homes/ADUs

Motion of direction was made by Mayor Protem Alvarez to approve RQ-26-002 for discussion at the April 7, 2026 City Council Meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Gonzalez. The motion carried unanimously (4-0).

Adjournment

With no further business, upon motion being made by Councilmember Solomon, seconded by Councilmember Kendrick, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Riakos Adams, Mayor

Laura J. Calcote, City Secretary