



City of Killeen

Agenda

City Council

Tuesday, August 18, 2026

3:00 PM

City Hall
First Floor Main Conference Room
101 N. College Street
Killeen, Texas 76541

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

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

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

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 complete a Citizen Speaker Registration form and present to the City Secretary. Each speaker will be limited to 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-26-073](#) Discuss Legislative Priorities with the Schlueter Group

Attachments: [2027-2028 State Legislative Priorities and Principles.pdf](#)

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 August 11, 2026.

Elaine Simpson, City Secretary

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- 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*
- Boots, Brews and BBQ Festival, September 5, 2026, 5 PM to 10 PM, Historic Downtown Killeen*
- Introduction to Incremental Development Seminar, September 16, 2026, 6:00 PM, Southern Roots Brewing, 324 N Gray Street Killeen, TX 76541*
- 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 76542*
- Youth Advisory Commission 2026 Youth Conference, September 25, 2026, 9:00 to 2:00, Killeen Civic and Conference Center 3601 S. WS Young Killeen Drive, TX 76542*

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Staff Report

File Number: DS-26-073

Discuss Legislative Priorities with the Schlueter Group

Action Priorities

- The City of Killeen will seek full reimbursement and reinvestment from the State of Texas for lost revenue due to state-granted veterans exemptions.
- The City of Killeen will oppose any extension of state-granted veterans exemptions that is not fully funded by the State of Texas.
- The City of Killeen will advocate for Killeen to have a Bullet Train station stop.
- The City of Killeen will advocate for increased financial assistance for first responders, emergency management and technology innovation.
- The City of Killeen will advocate for increased funding for Aquifer storage.
- The City of Killeen will advocate for clear legislation preventing initiative ordinances that would violate state or federal law from being placed on the ballot.
- The City of Killeen advocates for legislation designating Killeen as a Military Impacted Municipality.
- The City of Killeen will seek state funding for roadway expansion and modernization to address congestion from rapid growth with key priorities being Highway 195 and 190 corridor improvements, intersection upgrades and multi-modal transportation planning, and pedestrian safety enhancements.
- The City of Killeen will advocate for homeowner funding for replacement of galvanized pipes.

Guiding Principles

- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would provide benefit to military communities.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would provide local relief for impacts of state-granted exemptions and programs.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would provide transportation funding for local projects.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would provide funding for local parks, trails or public grounds projects.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would be beneficial to Texas A&M University-Central Texas, Central Texas College and/or Killeen Independent School District.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that supports statewide planning and regulatory standards for data centers that prioritize water and power sustainability.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that aligns with positions and priorities of the Central Texas Water Alliance.

- The City of Killeen supports legislation that advocates for dedicated state and grant funding to expand senior programming, recreation activities, and wellness services to include support for senior centers, transportation access, social engagement programs, and health-focused programming to improve quality of life and reduce isolation.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that advocates providing funding for youth programming.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that advocates providing funding for Downtown or Main Street areas and the arts community.
- The City of Killeen supports legislation that advocates supporting programs encouraging innovation and advanced technology skills for soldiers. The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would remove or limit local control or preempt local authority.
- The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would be detrimental to current or potential City revenue.
- The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would impose partially or fully unfunded mandates.
- The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would erode zoning authority.
- The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would be detrimental to local economic development efforts.