



MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

A WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS HELD AT CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, DEER PARK, TEXAS ON MAY 5, 2026 BEGINNING AT 6:45 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON	MAYOR
SHERRY GARRISON	COUNCILWOMAN
TOMMY GINN	COUNCILMAN
JUSTIN LEAGUE	COUNCILMAN
RON MARTIN	COUNCILMAN
GEORGETTE FORD	COUNCILWOMAN

MEMBER ABSENT:

TJ HAIGHT	COUNCILMAN
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OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAMES STOKES	CITY MANAGER
SARA COSTLOW	ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
JIM FOX	CITY ATTORNEY
ANGELA SMITH	CITY SECRETARY

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Mouton called the workshop to order at 6:45 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE - No comments were received from the public.

WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION: BY AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 6252-17 (SECTION 3 - E, F, AND G) V.A.T.S., AND THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE COUNCIL MAY ADJOURN TO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS(S):

Council adjourned into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m.

- a. Personnel (551.074) - Discussion of personnel matter related to the appointment of a Board of Adjustment alternate to replace a departing alternate member and to the appointment of a Parks & Recreation Commission member to replace a departing board member.

Council returned from Executive Session at 6:52 p.m.

2. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATING TO A SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE SALE OF CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2026. - Finance Director Nicole Ganey informed the Council regarding the proposed 2026 debt issuance associated with the Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) adopted by the Council. Ms. Ganey stated the projects include water line replacement, lift station rehabilitation, manhole rehabilitation, sanitary sewer line replacement, surface water treatment plant rehabilitation, and water distribution rehabilitation, with a total estimated issuance amount of \$7,160,000.

Ms. Ganey introduced John Robuck with BOK Financial, who provided a presentation regarding the proposed Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026, including the schedule of events and an overview of the current bond market and Bond Buyer Index. Mr. Robuck stated that current market rates are fluctuating and noted the City's Triple-A Bond Rating positions the City favorably within the market. Mr. Robuck reported the City's estimated bond rate would be approximately 4.25 percent based on the City's Triple-A Bond Rating and fiscal management practices.

Mr. Robuck also reviewed estimated debt service requirements associated with the proposed twenty-year debt issuance and stated the City maintains the financial capacity to issue debt, if necessary, without significantly impacting the tax rate. In addition, Mr. Robuck presented the tentative schedule of events for the Certificates of Obligation, Series 2026, and noted that bond counsel representative Johnathan Bracewell was present to answer questions from Council.

Mayor Mouton inquired whether the issuance of debt would negatively impact the City's Triple-A Bond Rating. Mr. Robuck responded that the City remains in a strong financial position and noted that the City of Deer Park is one of forty-one (41) cities in Texas currently holding a Triple-A Bond Rating.

There were no further questions or comments from Council.

3. DISCUSSION OF THE DPISD CONTRACT TO SUPPLY 14 DPISD SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS TO COVER ALL OF THE CAMPUSES IN DEER PARK, AND THREE OF THE CAMPUSES IN PASADENA FOR THE 2026/2027 SCHOOL YEAR. - Police Chief Greg Grigg reported two proposed Interlocal Agreements with Deer Park Independent School District (DPISD) relating to School Resource Officer (SRO) services. Chief Grigg stated the agreements include the addition of full-time School Resource Officers for 2026-2027 school year to provide coverage for DPISD junior high and elementary campuses located in the City of Pasadena, effective August 1, 2026. Chief Grigg noted the proposed agreements also include the transition of crossing guard services to the Deer Park Police Department.

Chief Grigg mentioned that DPISD Assistant Superintendent of Administration Jason Mummert agreed with the four-year phase out period if the school district decides to terminate the Interlocal Agreement.

Councilman League inquired whether DPISD agreed to cover one hundred percent (100%) of the costs associated with the addition of SRO. Chief Grigg responded DPISD agreed to cover all costs including officer equipment, training, and crossing guard service. City Manager Jay Stokes

mentioned that the Interlocal Agreement will be on a DPISD School Board agenda for their consideration at an upcoming meeting.

There were no further questions or comments from Council.

ADJOURN - Mayor Mouton adjourned the workshop meeting at 6:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Angela Smith, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Jerry Mouton, Jr.
Mayor