



MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 15, 2026
6:30 PM

The Joshua City Council will hold a Work Session at 6:30 pm. A Regular Meeting will be held immediately following the Work Session in the Council Chambers at Joshua City Hall, located at 101 S. Main St., Joshua, Texas. This meeting is subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

Mayor Kimble announced a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. United States of America
2. Texas Flag

Councilmember Nichols led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. INVOCATION

Invocation given by Jeff Stanley, Pastor of First Assembly of God.

D. WORK SESSION

1. Review and discuss questions related to the budget report for December 2025. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)

Finance Manager Freelen presented the budget report. She stated that the City is approximately 25 percent into the current fiscal year. Property tax revenues are primarily collected in January and February. Court fee revenues are currently below projections, at approximately 14 percent collected to date. Animal Services donations total \$46,191.70.

E. UPDATES FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS, UPDATES FROM CITY STAFF MEMBERS:

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415, the Mayor and Members of the City Council may report on the following items of community interest, including (1) expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; (2) information about holiday schedules, (3) recognition of individuals; (4) reminders about upcoming City Council events; (5) information about community events; and (6) announcements involving any imminent threat to public health and safety. Staff Updates will address operational issues in various City departments. No deliberation is authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act.

F. PUBLIC FORUM, PRESENTATION, AND RECOGNITION:

The City Council invites citizens to speak on any topic. However, unless the item is specifically noted on this agenda, the City Council is required under the Texas Open Meetings Act to limit its response to responding with a statement of specific factual information, reciting the City's existing policy, or directing the person

making the inquiry to visit with City Staff about the issue. Therefore, no Council deliberation is permitted. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak.

1. Presentation and update from A.J. Arjanen, General Manager of Cle-Trans, regarding service changes and rebranding efforts.

Mr. Jon-Erik Arjanen provided a presentation on the City-County Transportation FY 2025 Year in Review. His presentation included updates on service enhancements, vehicle replacement acquisitions, transit software upgrades, rebranding efforts, and the organization's growth mindset and strategic outlook for 2026.

2. Employee Recognition: Presentation of Awards and Certificates by the City Manager.

Mayor Kimble made the following presentations:

Shawn Fullagar, Chief of Police – Service Award recognizing 5 years of dedicated service.

Marcie Freelen – Employee of the Year.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of the December 18, 2025, meeting minutes.
2. Consider a resolution approving the City of Joshua Investment Report for the Quarter Ending December 31, 2025. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)
3. Approval of an MOU between the City of Joshua and the Texas Division of Emergency Management for mutual aid assistance for disaster recovery.
4. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the execution of a municipal lease agreement for the Public Works backhoe and asphalt distributor truck. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)

Motion made by Councilmember Breitenstein, Place 4, to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Place 1 Dees.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

H. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Final Public Hearing to encourage citizen participation, discuss, and answer any questions regarding TXCDBG Contract # CDV23-0132 (Thomas Street Project).

Mayor Kimble opened the public hearing at 6:56 pm.

No comments made.

Mayor Kimble closed the public hearing at 6:57 pm.

2. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance ordering a General Election to be held on May 2, 2026, for City Council Place 2 and Place 5, each for a three-year term. (Staff Resource: A. Holloway)

Motion made by Councilmember Dees, Place 1, to approve an Ordinance ordering the May 2, 2026, Election. Seconded by Councilmember Place 3 Nichols.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

3. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance amending the FY 2026 budget. (Staff Resource: M. Freelen)

Motion made by Councilmember Nichols, Place 3, to approve an Ordinance amending the FY 2026 Budget. Seconded by Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

4. Public hearing on a request for a zoning change regarding approximately 2.0 acres of land in the W.W. Byers Survey, Tract 38PT, Abstract Number 29, City of Joshua, Texas, located at 724 County Road 909, to change from (R-1) Single Family Residential District to the (R-1L) Single Family Residential Large Lot District. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Mayor Kimble opened the public hearing at 6:59 pm.

Assistant City Manager Maldonado presented the staff report regarding a zoning change request for an approximately 2.0-acre unplatte property. He stated that the property is currently zoned R-1, Single-Family Residential District.

He explained that the applicant intends to construct a single-family residence and maintain livestock. Staff noted that the City's ordinance requires one acre per head of livestock, and that livestock are not permitted under the existing R-1 zoning classification. Rezoning the property to R-1L would allow the proposed use and is consistent with the surrounding development pattern as well as the City's Future Land Use Plan.

Assistant City Manager Maldonado further stated that utilities and infrastructure appear to be available or can be extended, with any associated costs to be borne by the developer.

Regarding financial impact, he noted that the only costs associated with the zoning change request are the publication and mailing of public hearing notices to property owners within 200 feet, as required by law. Public written notices were mailed not less than ten (10) days prior to the Planning and Zoning Commission public hearing and at least fifteen (15) days prior to the City Council public hearing.

No other comments were made by the public.

Mayor Kimble closed the public hearing at 7:01 pm.

5. Discuss, consider, and possible action on an Ordinance for a zoning change regarding approximately 2.0 acres of land in the W.W. Byers Survey, Tract 38PT, Abstract Number 29, City of Joshua, Texas, located at 724 County Road 909, to change from (R-1) Single Family Residential District to the (R-1L) Single Family Residential Large Lot District. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Motion made by Councilmember Place 3 Nichols to approve an Ordinance for a zoning change for 724 CR 909. Seconded by Councilmember Place 1 Dees.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

6. Public hearing on a request for a conditional use permit regarding approximately 1.0 acres of land in the D. Lofton Survey, Tract 1B, Abstract 504, City of Joshua, Texas, located at 202 Trailwood Drive, to allow for the construction of an accessory dwelling. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Mayor Kimble opened the public hearing at 7:02 pm.

Assistant City Manager Maldonado read the staff report into the record regarding the requested Conditional Use Permit. He stated the property is not platted and is zoned Agricultural (A) District. The request is to allow the construction of an accessory dwelling.

He explained that a Conditional Use Permit allows certain uses to be considered with appropriate restrictions to ensure compatibility with surrounding properties and to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the community. The process includes public hearings before the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Council, and approval is only granted if the use is determined to be compatible with the neighborhood.

The property owner stated that this is so his mother-in-law may move onto their property so they can help care for her.

Mayor Kimble closed the public hearing at 7:05 pm.

7. Discuss, consider, and possible action on approving an Ordinance for a conditional use permit regarding approximately 1.0 acres of land in the D. Lofton Survey, Tract 1B, Abstract 504, City of Joshua, Texas, located at 202 Trailwood Dr. to allow for the construction of an accessory dwelling. (Staff Resource: A. Maldonado)

Motion made by Councilmember Place 3 Nichols moved to approve an Ordinance for a conditional use permit for 202 Trailwood Dr. Seconded by Councilmember Place 1 Dees.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

8. Discuss, consider, and possible action on the approval of an additional \$17,669.72 to the previously approved grant funding for the purchase of twelve (12) Motorola APX N70 portable radios. (Staff Resource: S. Fullagar)

Chief Fullagar presented to Council regarding radio communications equipment. He explained that the department initially submitted a grant application requesting funding for 18 new radios. While awaiting the grant decision, the District Attorney's Office announced it would be transitioned to a new radio system. During that time, staff identified an alternative product through Motorola that would better meet operational needs. As a result, the department is now requesting funding for 12 radios because of the price increase.

After much discussion regarding the need for radios, it was decided that the police department needed 19 radios in total.

Motion made by Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein to approve the 12 radios as requested, and gave direction to purchase 19, and bring a budget amendment back for the council to consider next month. Seconded by Councilmember Place 1 Dees.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

9. Discuss, consider, and possible action on board appointments. (Staff Resource: A. Holloway)

Motion made by Councilmember Place 1 Dees to appoint George Grall to Alt. 2 to the Type B EDC and to appoint Shantell Mosley to Alt. Animal Control Board, Place 3 to ZBA, and Place 1 to the Type A EDC, Seconded by Councilmember Place 3 Nichols.

Voting Yea: Mayor Kimble, Councilmember Place 1 Dees, Councilmember Place 3 Nichols, Councilmember Place 4 Breitenstein

I. STAFF REPORT

1. Police Department
2. Animal Services
3. Municipal Court
4. Public Works
5. Code Enforcement
6. Parks Department
7. Development Services
8. Economic Development
9. City Secretary's Office

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council of the City of Joshua will recess into Executive Session (Closed Meeting) pursuant to the provisions of chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following:

1. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: to discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
2. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section 551.076 and Section 551.089: to discuss or deliberate regarding certain Security Devices or Security Audits.

Mayor Kimble announced the City Council will recess into Executive Session at 7:22 pm.

K. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551, the City Council will reconvene into regular session and consider action, if any, on matters discussed in executive session.

Mayor Kimble announced the City Council is back in Regular Session at 7:49 pm.

No action taken.

L. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/REQUESTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Councilmembers shall not comment upon, deliberate, or discuss any item that is not on the agenda. Councilmembers shall not make routine inquiries about operations or project status on an item that is not posted. However, any Councilmember may state an issue and request to place the item on a future agenda.

NA

M. ADJOURN

Mayor Kimble adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

Approved: February 19, 2026

Scott Kimble, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice Holloway, City Secretary