



## AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

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<b>MEETING NAME:</b>	City Council
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	April 20, 2026
<b>ITEM TITLE:</b>	<b>PUBLIC HEARING:</b> Conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Chapter 10 Subdivision Ordinance. <i>A public hearing is held by the governing body in order for the public to hear the facts and offer their opinions. The governing body is not obligated to engage in dialogue with those present.</i>
<b>STAFF INITIATOR:</b>	Tara Tomlinson, Director of Development Services

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### **BACKGROUND:**

This commentary applies to the next two agenda items:

1. Conduct a public hearing on an amendment to the Chapter 10 Subdivision Ordinance.
2. Consider and take appropriate action on Ordinance 2026-005.

Improving standards around sewer and water valve collars in development is essential to ensure long-term durability, safety, and reduced maintenance costs in municipal infrastructure. The City of Wolfforth staff wants to update the current standards that follow the Lubbock Minimum Standards by requiring 4,000 psi concrete and No. 5 rebar for manhole and valve collars, which significantly enhances structural integrity compared to weaker or inconsistently applied specifications. These higher-strength materials help collars better withstand traffic loads, soil movement, and environmental stressors, reducing the risk of premature cracking, settlement, or failure. Without consistent and rigorous standards like these, current infrastructure, specially along Cambridge, has lower-quality installations that led to cracking and settlement that could be costly to fix. Attached are the new diagrams and standards for installation.

On April 14, 2026, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended a recommendation of approval for improved standards.

### **EXHIBITS:**

1. Public Hearing notice
2. Photos of Cambridge

### **COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Hold public hearing.