

Wylie City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2026 – 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - 300 Country Club Road, Building #100, Wylie, Texas 75098



CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matthew Porter called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Councilman David R. Duke, Councilman Dave Strang (6:34 p.m.), Councilman Todd Pickens, Councilman Scott Williams, Councilman Sid Hoover, and Mayor *Pro Tem* Gino Mulliqi.

Staff present included: City Manager Brent Parker; Deputy City Manager Renae Ollie; Assistant City Manager Lety Yanez; Fire Chief Brandon Blythe; Marketing and Communications Director Craig Kelly; City Secretary Stephanie Storm; Police Chief Anthony Henderson; Parks and Recreation Director Carmen Powlen; Library Director Ofilia Barrera; Community Services Director Jasen Haskins; Public Works Director Tommy Weir; and various support staff.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS)

Mayor Porter led the invocation, and Mayor *Pro Tem* Mulliqi led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

PRESENTATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

PR1. Shining the Wylie Way Students - Term 4.

Mayor Porter, WISD Superintendent Dr. Kim Spicer, and WISD Board Member Stacie Smith presented a medallion to a student who demonstrated “Shining the Wylie Way.” Every nine weeks, one student from each WISD campus is chosen as the “Wylie Way Student.”

PR2. Leadership Wylie Class XXII.

Councilman Strang took his seat at the dais at 6:34 p.m.

Mayor Porter presented a proclamation recognizing the graduating members of Leadership Wylie Class XXII. Members of Leadership Wylie Class XXII were present to accept the Proclamation.

COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Any member of the public may address Council regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Members of the public must fill out a form prior to the meeting in order to speak. Council requests that comments be limited to three minutes for an individual, six minutes for a group. In addition, Council is not allowed to converse, deliberate or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation.

Cooper Lett and Sharon Mendez addressed the City Council with concerns regarding the pickleball courts and lights.

Vrushti Goswami, representing BAPS Charities, addressed the City Council with information about BAPS Charities and invited the public to the BAPS Charities Walk|Run on Sunday, May 31, 2026, at the Levy Event Center in

Irving. Funds raised from the event support the local North Texas organizations Children's Health, The Main Place, and Metrocrest Services.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Consider, and act upon, approval of the May 12, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting minutes.**
- B. Consider, and act upon, approving the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Public Arts Advisory Board; approving new qualifications for membership on the Public Arts Advisory Board, including residency, voter registration, and employment restrictions, and other updates.**
- C. Consider, and place on file, the monthly Revenue and Expenditure Report for the Wylie Economic Development Corporation as of April 30, 2026.**
- D. Consider, and place on file, the City of Wylie Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Report for April 30, 2026.**
- E. Consider, and place on file, the City of Wylie Monthly Investment Report for April 30, 2026.**
- F. Consider, and act upon, Ordinance No. 2026-23 amending Ordinance No. 2025-32, which established the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget, providing for repealing, savings, and severability clauses, and the effective date of this ordinance.**
- G. Consider, and act upon, approval of accepting a donation from the Park and Rec Foundation.**
- H. Consider, and act upon, approval of an Alternative Parking Agreement for 2221 Country Club Drive, Lot 1, Block A of the Rita Smith Elementary School Addition and 2201 Country Club Drive, Lot 1, Block A of the Gateway Community Church Addition.**

Council Action

A motion was made by Mayor *Pro Tem* Mulliqi, seconded by Councilman Hoover, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 7-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. Interview applicants for Board of Review vacancies for a term to begin July 1, 2026 and end June 30, 2028.**

Council Comments

Board of Review applicants Amanda Smith and Bonnie Tinsley were present for interviews with the City Council.

Council Action

No action was taken regarding this item.

WORK SESSION

Mayor Porter convened the Council into a Work Session at 7:20 p.m.

WS1. Discuss development options on property located at 801 South State Highway 78.

Matt Berger, representing RMWC, addressed the Council, presented a proposal for a development at 801 South State Highway 78, and answered questions from the Council.

Council discussed their support for the proposed development and emphasized the importance of protecting the privacy of adjacent neighborhoods, ensuring compatibility with Wylie's character and architectural standards, addressing traffic and access issues, noting a desire for a trail not in the floodplain, and providing a clear development timeline and implementation plan.

Mayor Porter recessed the Council into break at 7:48 p.m.
Mayor Porter reconvened the Council into Work Session at 7:59 p.m.

WS2. Wylie Parks and Recreation Department overview.

Parks and Recreation Director Powlen presented an overview of the department's operations, facilities, programs, and performance measures, and responded to Council questions.

Council discussed athletic field fee structures and provided direction to maintain affordability for youth recreational leagues while evaluating opportunities to increase cost recovery for private rentals, select leagues, and tournaments. Council emphasized the importance of preserving access to youth sports, reviewing operating costs and subsidy levels, remaining competitive with neighboring communities, and ensuring that tournament and rental activities appropriately recover associated City costs.

WS3. Discuss Potential Public Safety Facilities for Consideration in Upcoming Bond Election.

Fire Chief Blythe presented public safety facility options focused on long-term solutions, phased implementation, and evaluation of the proposed public safety site, and answered questions from the Council.

The consensus of Council was to present two primary options to the Bond Committee: the approximately \$27 million option (option 2) and the approximately \$37 million option (option 4), both of which include associated Public Safety Building renovation and parking improvements. Council also supported staff in developing a third alternative, targeted near the \$30 million range, for consideration by the Bond Committee, if feasible.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Porter reconvened the Council into Regular Session at 9:46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Porter convened the Council into Executive Session at 9:49 p.m.

Sec. 551.072. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; CLOSED MEETING.

A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on its negotiating position.

ES1. Consider the sale or acquisition of properties located at Ballard/Brown, Brown/Eubanks, FM 544/Cooper, FM 544/Sanden, FM 1378/Brown, FM 1378/Park, Jackson/Oak, Regency/Steel, State Hwy 78/Alanis, State Hwy 78/Brown, and State Hwy 78/Skyview.

Sec. 551.087. DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; CLOSED MEETING.

This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting:

- (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or
- (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1).

ES2. Deliberation regarding commercial or financial information that the WEDC has received from a business prospect and to discuss the offer of incentives for Projects: 2022-10c, 2022-10d, 2024-2d, 2024-5a, 2024-8d, 2024-12c, 2025-4a, 2025-9a, 2025-10f, 2026-3e, and 2026-4b.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Take any action as a result from Executive Session.

Mayor Porter convened the Council into Open Session at 11:12 p.m.

READING OF ORDINANCES

Title and caption approved by Council as required by Wylie City Charter, Article III, Section 13-D.

City Secretary Storm read the caption of Ordinance No. 2026-23 into the official record.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Strang, seconded by Councilman Williams, to adjourn the meeting at 11:13 p.m. A vote was taken, and the motion passed 7-0.

Matthew Porter, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie Storm, City Secretary