



City of Danbury
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes
Thursday,
August 20, 2026



Mayor Rocky Hicks
Mayor Pro-Tem Armando Caceres III
Council Member Gordon Hatthorn

Council Member Otha Meador
Council Member Jason Shafer

Notice is hereby given of the Regular Council Meeting of the Danbury City Council to be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2026, at Danbury City Hall, 6102 5th Street, Danbury, Texas, at which time the following items of business will be considered:

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

a. Roll call, Pledge of Allegiance, and Prayer

Mayor Rocky Hicks called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and the following council members and staff were present at the meeting.

Rocky Hicks	Mayor
Armando Caceres III	Mayor Pro-Tem
Gordon Hatthorn	Council Member
Jason Shafer	Council Member
Tony Berger	Utility Supervisor
Erin Nolan	City Secretary
Lydia Silvas	Finance Officer
Chris Henken	Police Chief

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a.** An opportunity for citizens to address the City Council on matters which are not scheduled for consideration. To address the Council, please sign up for public comment before the start of the meeting. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits deliberation by the Council of any subject which is not on the posted agenda, therefore the Council will not be able to discuss or act on items brought up during the citizen's participation.

Stacie Greenhalgh came to discuss a letter of no objection needed for property 16610 Meadow lane.

III. MAYOR UPDATE

- **Back to school bash: 75 backpacks given away at the bash. Gave the school the remaining backpacks and 3 additional totes of supplies.**

IV. COUNCIL COMMENTS

- a. Comments may be made by Council, but no action taken on the following topics. Those items include expressions of thanks, congratulations or condolence; information on holiday schedules; recognition of public officials, employees or citizens other than employees or officials whose status may be affected by the Council through action; reminders of community events or announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of the people of the municipality.
- **Armando Caceres gave update that the website was ready to go live. Training scheduled for himself and Erin on 8.28.26 at 1:00 p.m.**

V. STAFF REPORTS

- a. Police Department: City Hall generator Centerpoint will be here 8.24.26 to install the meter. Two trucks a/c went out #111 and #109. Sgt. Turner is working on a grant for tasers. The department will be helping with a fun run on October 3rd.
- b. Utility Department: CDBG Mit Mod should be ready to go out for bid by Q1 very beginning of Q2. Chief Solutions finished Q1 (Heights area) of town will be working on Q2 (A,B, C, D, and E). We have had two 2in water leaks. Backhoe was down needed hose to complete repairs. The tractor was down, work was done and was under warranty. CDBG Funding 2025- Generators site visit was today (8.20.26) Ready Power is ready to begin the project.
- c. Finance Department: Gave Bank balances, update on CD at the Bank matured on 8.3.26 and automatically renewed and will expire on 11.3.26 will be on the September Meeting agenda for decision to be made before the matured date. Auditors completed 2022-2023 and will start on 2023-2024 next week.
- d. City Secretary: Softball lights done, waiting on LCP tracker to be updated for the contractor. That is the last thing needed for reimbursement. November 3, 2026 election will be cancelled. Had 3 candidates but one withdrew as of today (8.20.2026).

VI. Consent Agenda:

1. Consideration of the unaudited financial statements for July 2026.
2. Consideration of the audited financial statements for April, May and June 2026.
3. Consideration of Credit Card Statement- 7.18.26-8.17.26
4. Notification of All Bank accounts- available balance as of 8.20.26
5. Consideration of Police Report/Maintenance Log
6. Consideration of Municipal Court Report
7. Consideration of Community Center Report
8. Consideration of Park Report
9. Consideration of Time Report
10. Consideration of Utility Report
11. Consideration of Building/Electrical Inspector Report
12. Consideration of Utility Department Vehicle Report
13. Consideration of Regular Council Meeting Minutes 7.16.26.
14. Consideration of Special Council Meeting Minutes 8.18.26.

Motion by Armando Caceres III and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve the consent agenda as presented.

PASSES

VII. GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and Consideration of the Homecoming parade.

Shannon Hester came and presented the plans, route and all documents needed for the homecoming parade. The parade will be on September 14, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Gordon Hatthorn and seconded by Jason Shafer to approve the homecoming parade for September 14, 2026 from 6:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

PASSES

2. Discussion and Consideration of Homecoming Bonfire.

Kathy Korenck from Project Graduation presented the information for the bonfire. They are requesting setup from 9/11-9/13 and the actual bonfire to be on 9/14 after the homecoming parade.

Motion by Gordon Hatthorn and seconded by Jason Shafer to approve the Homecoming bonfire for September 14, 2026 pending weather conditions and that they get the permit from the county that is needed to have the bonfire.

PASSES

3. Discussion and Consideration of the painting of the streets for Homecoming.
Kathy Korenck presented the plan for the painting of the streets for homecoming on September 13, 2026 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. .

Moton by Jason Shafer and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve the painting of the streets for homecoming on September 13, 2026 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. .

PASSES

4. Discussion and Consideration of Generator maintenance quotes.
Tony stated that pricing would be the \$2,250.00 for all the maintenance on the generators and for the generator at the Waste Water Treatment Plant to have the additional cost of \$525 for the load test this year. He has money in his budget line for this work.

Motion by Armando Caceres III and second by Jason Shafer to approve Coastal generator maintenance quote in the amount of \$2,775.00 and to be paid from line 7436.

PASSES

5. Discussion and Consideration of Pitney Bowes Lease agreement.
Motion by Jason Shafer and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to approve the Pitney Bowes Lease agreement billed quarterly for \$238.92.

PASSES

6. Discussion and Consideration of Annual IT renewal with Square 3.
Motion by Jason Shafer and second by Gordon Hatthorn to accept the Annual IT agreement renewal with Square 3.

PASSES

7. Discussion and Consideration of Firewall renewal for Police Department and City Hall with Square 3 for a 3-year term.
Motion by Armando Caceres III and second by Jason Shafer to approve the Firewall renewal for Police Department and City Hall with Square 3 for a 3-year term.

PASSES

8. Discussion and Consideration of Mural for Skrabanek Park Kitchen wall facing Main Street.

****** Was taken care of at 8.18.26 Meeting.******

9. Discussion and Consideration of removing Jon Williams from The First State Bank accounts.

****** Was taken care of at 8.18.26 Meeting.******

10. Discussion and Consideration of removing Suzanne Powell from The First State Bank accounts.

****** Was taken care of at 8.18.26 Meeting.******

11. Review, discuss and consider Questions for Code Project with General Code.

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12. Review of Proposed Budget for FY 2026-2027.

The budget was reviewed, with the following suggestions:

Line 4410 and 4411 to be removed from the revenue.

Line 7215 of \$30,000 remove

Line 7185 to be adjusted to \$5,000.00

Line 7380 to be adjusted to \$3,000.00

Line 7387 to be adjusted to \$5,000.00

Line 7435 to be adjusted to \$0.00

Line 7551 to be adjusted to \$344.48

Line 7555 to be adjusted to \$500.00

Line 7556 to be adjusted to \$5,000.00

13. Presentation of 2026 Effective Tax and Rollback Calculations.

Mayor Rocky Hicks presented the 2026 effective tax and rollback calculations.

14. Propose (not adopt) Tax Rate for Tax Year 2026.

Motion by Jason Shafer to propose the no new revenue tax rate of 0.366098 for the 2026 Tax Year.

Yes: Jason Shafer, Gordon Hatthorn, Armando Caceres III

No: NONE

Absent: Otha Meador

Present but NOT voting: Rocky Hicks

PASSES

15. Announcement of Public Hearing for Tax Rate and Budget for Tax Year 2026.

Mayor Hicks announced the Budget Hearing will be on September 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. and the Tax Rate Hearing will be on September 17, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:entered at 7:24 p.m.

- a. City Council may, as permitted by law, adjourn into executive session at any time to discuss any matter listed if they meet the qualifications in Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), 551.073 (deliberation regarding prospective gift), 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.076 (deliberation regarding security devices or security audits), 551.087 (deliberation regarding economic development negotiations), and 551.089 (deliberation regarding security devices or security audits) of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Returned to General Session at 7:37 p.m.

**IX. CONSIDER AND TAKE ANY ACTION RESULTING FROM
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

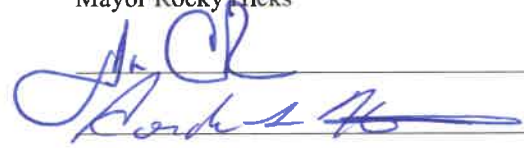
NO ACTION

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XI. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Rocky Hicks adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.



Mayor Rocky Hicks







ATTEST by: 
Erin Nolan, City Secretary