

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 25, 2025

- **Call to Order**

Mayor Omar called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present:

Amir Omar	Mayor
Ken Hutchenrider	Mayor Pro Tem
Curtis Dorian	Councilmember
Jennifer Justice	Councilmember
Dan Barrios	Councilmember
Joe Corcoran	Councilmember
Arefin Shamsul	Councilmember

The following staff members were also present:

Don Magner	City Manager
Kent Pfeil	Chief Operating Officer
Charles Goff	Assistant City Manager
Michaela Dollar	Assistant City Manager
Dannette Garcia	Assistant City Manager
Aimee Nemer	City Secretary
Riley Thomason	Assistant to the City Manager
Alisha Gimbel	Director of Emergency Management
Scott Greeson	Emergency Management Coordinator

CONSULTANTS

Meridith McKinley, VIA Partnership

COUNCIL MEETING – 6:00 PM, MULTIPURPOSE ROOM #CH 157

1. INVOCATION – KEN HUTCHENRIDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS – KEN HUTCHENRIDER

3. MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2025 AND AUGUST 18, 2025 MEETINGS

Council Action

Mayor Pro Tem Hutchenrider moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Councilmember Dorian seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed, 7-0.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS AND VISITORS FORUM

City Manager Magner acknowledged public comments submitted by the following.

Proposed City Hall Public Art

Patricia Griffin, 441 Valley Glen Dr. – delay adding art to City Hall/Library campus
Steve Benson, 315 Trailwood Dr. – in favor of carousel design

Kathleen, 1226 Dumont Dr. – concerns regarding an increase in the proposed City budget

Dr. Steven Butler, 1114 Pacific Dr. – provided comments in person regarding issues with geese at Huffhines Park. He requested a low fence to keep the geese on the lawn and away from the sidewalk.

5. REVIEW AND DISCUSS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

Alisha Gimbel, Emergency Management Director, and Scott Greeson, Emergency Management Coordinator, reviewed this item for Council.

- Review National Preparedness Month
 - Communications
 - Preparedness Passport – 3000 distributed
 - Build-A-Kit
- Public Outreach
- Alerts and Awareness
- Incident Support Task Force Deployments
- Texas Legislature Update – Emergency Management Items

6. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE PROPOSED CITY HALL PUBLIC ART

Meridith McKinley, VIA Partnership, reviewed this item for Council.

- Confirm location of project
- Confirm scope of project
- Confirm selected artist

The Council discussed the following options, and there was a consensus among the City Council to proceed with Option 1.

1. Move forward with the original concept “Carousel” in the original location in the plaza
2. Move forward with the original concept “Carousel” on the lawn
3. Move forward with the revised concept “Music Kiosk” in the original location in the plaza
4. Put the project on hold and revisit the artwork at a future date

7. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE NEW RICHARDSON CITY HALL AND PUBLIC LIBRARY RENOVATION PROJECTS

Charles Goff, Assistant City Manager, reviewed this item for Council.

- Concept Plan
- Site Progress
- Library Status – mid 2026
 - Construction Challenges
 - Change Order to increase project funding to address challenges
- City Hall Status – early 2027

ACTION ITEMS:

8. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL STATEMENT OF GOALS.

Council Action

Councilmember Justice moved to approve the resolution adopting the City Council Statement of Goals as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Hutchenrider seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed, 7-0.

- 9. SIGN CONTROL BOARD CASE #25-03 TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST BY VICTORY SHOPS FOR A VARIANCE TO THE CITY OF RICHARDSON CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE III, SECTION 18-96(23)(C)(3)(I) TO ALLOW FOR TWO MULTI-TENANT POLE SIGNS ON A PROPERTY LESS THAN 10 ACRES AT THE PROPERTIES 1600 E BELT LINE RD AND 1700 E BELT LINE RD.; AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.**

Council Action

After a presentation from staff and the applicant, Bobby Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchenrider moved to approve the request with the condition of the removal of the sign at 1610 E. Beltline. Councilmember Dorian seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed, 6-1, with Councilmember Justice opposed.

10. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 23, "WATER, SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL", BY AMENDING SECTION 23-96 TO PROVIDE FOR REFUNDS OF DEPOSITS FOR SERVICES.**
- B. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AN AMENDED AND RESTATED EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY MANAGER.**
- C. CONSIDER AWARD OF THE FOLLOWING BIDS:**
- 1. BID #69-25 – WE RECOMMEND THE AWARD TO R&A LEGACY CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR 2021 BOND PROGRAM SIDEWALK REHABILITATION – REGION 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,226,475.**
 - 2. BID #70-25 – WE RECOMMEND THE AWARD TO ESTRADA CONCRETE COMPANY FOR ARTERIAL AND COLLECTOR STREETS REHABILITATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,027,429.**
 - 3. BID #84-25 – WE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE AN ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT TO JUSTIN SEED COMPANY FOR BULK FERTILIZER PURSUANT TO UNIT PRICES.**
 - 4. BID #92-25 – WE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A COOPERATIVE ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT TO WEX FOR FLEET FUEL CARDS AND SERVICES PURSUANT TO SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #030625-WEX.**

D. AUTHORIZE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE ORDERS:

1. TO INCREASE CONTRACT # 324000342 TO SOUTHERN TRENCHLESS FOR PRAIRIE CREEK SEWER MANHOLE REHABILITATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,432.85.
2. TO INCREASE CONTRACT # 324000263 TO BALFOUR BEATTY CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR LIBRARY RENOVATION PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,150,000.

Council Action

Mayor Pro Tem Hutchenrider moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Dorian seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed, 7-0.

11. REPORT ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Council reported on items of community interest.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY SECRETARY