

MINUTES
RICHARDSON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 27, 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
Lindsay Turman	Director of Community Services
Tina Firgens	Director of Development Services
Andrew Bogda	Assistant Director of Development Services
Derica Peters	Senior Planner

Consultants present:

Maureen Milligan, Director, Training & Technical Advisory Services, Grow America

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 OCTOBER 20, 2025 MEETING

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

Charlie Newton, 2106 Goldenrod, addressed Council regarding Sunday programming for the Wildflower! Arts and Music Festival.

5. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION TO HONEYWELL RICHARDSON FOR BEING AWARDED OSHA VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PROGRAM STAR STATUS

Mayor Omar presented a proclamation to representatives from Honeywell Richardson.

6. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE CARES CLASS 2025 PROGRAM AND PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

Secretary Nemer presented the 2025 CARES program and Mayor Omar distributed graduation certificates.

7. REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND STRATEGY PUBLIC HEARING ITEM.

Maureen Milligan, Grow America, reviewed this information for Council.

- Importance of strategic housing investments
- Overview of Housing Needs Assessment and Housing Strategy
- Local Data
- Priority Housing Needs and Proposed Strategies

After City Council discussion, City Manager Magner summarized four strategies to review and research for further discussion.

1. Explore a Public Facility Corporation (PFC), Housing Finance Corporation (HFC) framework that would provide the city with maximum flexibility when negotiating mixed-income housing strategies for residents at different AMI levels
2. Explore Entitlement and Economic Development strategies to help existing Richardson low-income residents and help seniors safely age in place.
3. Explore Entitlement and Economic Development Incentives to increase missing middle housing
 - a. Type and Affordability
4. Seek Opportunity Zones designation

8. PUBLIC HEARING, ZONING FILE 25-16, AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF RICHARDSON, AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, BY GRANTING A CHANGE IN ZONING BY GRANTING A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR A DOG TRAINING CENTER FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 304 S. COTTONWOOD DR., RICHARDSON, TEXAS, ZONED O-M OFFICE DISTRICT.

Public Hearing

After a briefing from staff and the applicant, Mayor Omar opened the Public Hearing. With no public comments submitted, Councilmember Justice moved to close the Public Hearing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hutchenrider and approved unanimously.

Council Action

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

9. REPORT ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Council reported on items of community interest.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY