

**State of Texas  
County of Denton  
City of Lake Dallas**

The Lake Dallas City Council met in a Regular meeting on April 23, 2026 at Lake Dallas City Hall, 212 Main Street, with notice of the meeting given, as required by Title 5, Chapter 551.041 of the Texas Government Code.

**1. Roll Call**

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| Kristy Bleau       | Mayor           |
| Stephen Wohr       | Councilmember 1 |
| Rachel Fitzpatrick | Councilmember 2 |
| Rick Lewelling     | Councilmember 3 |
| Rudy Glynn Vrba    | Councilmember 4 |
| Randy Evans        | Councilmember 5 |

**Absent: None**

**Staff Present:** City Manager Luke Olson, Director of Administrative Services/City Secretary Codi Delcambre, City Attorney Joe Gorfida, Chief Daniel Robb, Finance Director Sarah Cochran, Public Works Director Jeremy Wilks, and Administrative Assistant Cole Howell

**Open Session**

**1. Call to Order & Determination of Quorum.**

Mayor Bleau called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance**

Pastor Rachelle Garland led the invocation and the pledges.

**3. Presentation:**

- Proclamation for April as Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month .
- Proclamation as Municipal Clerk Week May 3-9, 2026.
- Proclamation for National Police Week May 10-16, 2026.
- Proclamation for National Library Week April 19-25, 2026.
- Proclamation for National Teen Volunteer Week April 19-25, 2026.

**4. Citizen Agenda & Public Comments:**

Mary Freeman of 308 Owen Oaks Dr. thanked Council and Staff for meeting with her and other residents earlier in the week to discuss traffic and safety concerns in the Jackson Ranch subdivision. She introduced her daughter from the audience to “put a face” to the children who she believes are at risk of harm due to alleged speeding and “cut-through” traffic in the neighborhood. Ms. Freeman expressed appreciation for the feedback but demanded a solution. Ms. Freeman also requested that stop signs and crosswalks be installed at various intersections in Jackson Ranch in advance of the installation of a traffic signal at Swisher Rd. She encouraged “proactivity over reactivity.”

Terry Lantrip of 109 Market St. asked for help with an ongoing collection issue with Republic Services. He stated that he doesn't know when his trash will be picked up. Mr. Lantrip alleged that he has made several phone calls over the last few months, including a conversation with Jerri Harwell with Republic, but that the "problem" has not been taken care of. Mr. Lantrip claimed that Republic had missed pick-up as recently as last week, causing him to have to "stockpile" debris. He stated that he wants to keep his properties clean and his tenants happy, and although he did speak to the City Code Enforcement officer, whom he said did reach out to Republic, they have not yet returned to his property to collect his trash.

Karen Evans of 320 Thousand Oaks Dr. expressed frustration that Councilmember Evans was "denied" the ability to comment at the April 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting regarding business owner Kevin Lively's letter, which alleged "negligence" in the City's hiring practices. She demanded an independent investigation be conducted into the City's hiring process. Ms. Evans claimed that in the meantime, current hiring practices put the City in a "liable" position. She then read Councilmember Evans's letter in response to a request to withdraw his complaint.

Ruby Benoit of 612 Grayson Ln. stated that she noticed the Lake Cities 4<sup>th</sup> of July event is being held on June 27<sup>th</sup>. She stated that if the City was not going to hold the celebration on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, then the event should be re-branded. Ms. Benoit volunteered to participate in a committee to help organize the event, if one exists.

Lucy Phillips of 2209 Wagon Wheel Trl. (Corinth, Texas) recalled that three years ago, the Library was on the verge of closing, but thanks to the dedication of City Council and City Staff, the Library is still here. She expressed gratitude to the City for hiring Erin as the Library Director, and said that the Library is a "hopping" place now. Ms. Phillips stated that although she doesn't live in Lake Dallas, she is far more familiar with the Lake Dallas Councilmembers than those of Corinth, where she resides, which she believes speaks to the dedication of City leaders. She reminded Council and attendees that the Library is hosting a Star Wars event on May 5<sup>th</sup>, and urged the public to sign up for flyers and newsletters from the Library.

Shelley Kristich of 298 S. Lakeview Dr. said that she received a sticker from the fire department to help first responders locate essential items in her home in the event of emergency, but that awareness about this sort of service was low. She urged Council to encourage residents to develop their own safety plans, and to "help them help themselves." Ms. Kristich stated that home explosions are happening more frequently, not just in Lake Dallas, so people need to develop plans for themselves, animals, and neighbors.

Jayne Potter of 615 Shore Dr. expressed frustration with the parking situation in her area. She stated that a parking flyer was put out by the City prior to the home explosion event in March, but there has been no follow-up since then. Ms. Potter expressed concern about the ongoing work being done by Atmos in the city, claiming that she has sustained "injuries and trauma" from holes caused by Atmos. She also alleged that her mail has not been delivered because her mailbox has been inaccessible with all of the utility work being done.

## **5. Mayor & Council Member Announcements**

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| Councilmember Wohr-       | <p>Thanked City Staff for attending Mayor's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>Thanked Library &amp; Library Volunteers for their work</p> <p>Boys &amp; Girls Club is returning to Denton County with a location in Lewisville opening soon</p> <p>Thanked Luke for quick response to water sprinkler issue at City Park</p> <p>Discussion on accountability for companies contracted by the City</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Councilmember Fitzpatrick | <p>Thanked City Staff for attending Mayor's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>Thanked Library &amp; Library Volunteers for their work</p> <p>Thanked the City and Mayor for the Autism Awareness Month Proclamation</p> <p>Discussion on one-on-one training for Council members to address online misinformation</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Councilmember Vrba        | <p>Happy birthday to Councilmember Wohr</p> <p>Thanked City Staff for attending Mayor's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>Increased communication with Republic Services regarding issues with trash collection</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Councilmember Evans       | <p>Discussion on archiving livestreams for public meetings</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Mayor Bleau-              | <p>Thanked City Council and City Staff for attending Mayor's Prayer Breakfast</p> <p>Thanked Chief Robb for bringing food to Denton County Sheriff's Office dispatchers during Telecommunicators Week</p> <p>Encouraged participation in Lake Dallas ISD's "Falcon Insider" program</p> <p>Thanked the public for their patience over the last several weeks as the City navigates various issues</p> <p>Attended conference call with Public Works Director Jeremy Wilks for the annual Shore-To-Shore cleanup event.</p> <p>Thanked City Staff for educational materials on existing codes</p> <p>Continued updates on Carlisle road project</p> <p>Statistics from All American Dogs and the Police Department</p> <p>Monthly or quarterly updates on Fire Department responses to calls</p> <p>Follow up on issues with mail delivery voiced by citizens</p> |

#### 6. City Manager's Report:

- Kids-N-Cops this Saturday, weather permitting
- Met with Atmos executives to address logistical issues
- Coordinating with Atmos and Texas Railroad Commission to complete repairs by end of July

**Work Session:**

**7. Hold discussion regarding the Emergency Management Plan and Code of Ordinance Chapter 30 Emergency Service.**

Council held a discussion regarding the Emergency Management Plan and Code of Ordinance Chapter 30 Emergency Service.

**8. Consider and act on the November and December 2025 financial report.**

Council received a presentation from Finance Director Sarah Cochran regarding the November and December 2025 financial report.

**Motion:** to approve the November and December 2025 financial report was made by Councilmember Vrba and seconded by Councilmember Fitzpatrick.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.

**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0**

**9. Consider and act on an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by repealing and replacing in its entirety Chapter 78: "Peddlers and Solicitors".**

Council held a discussion on the adoption of an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by repealing and replacing in its entirety Chapter 78: "Peddlers and Solicitors".

**Motion:** to approve an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by repealing and replacing in its entirety Chapter 78: "Peddlers and Solicitors" was made by Councilmember Vrba and seconded by Councilmember Wohr.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.

**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0**

**10. Consider and act on authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract for the turf program for the City Park soccer fields.**

Council received a presentation from Public Works Director Jeremy Wilks outlining a potential agreement with Sports Field Solutions for the maintenance of the City Park soccer fields.

**Motion:** to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with Sports Field Solutions for the turf program for the City Park soccer fields was made by Councilmember Vrba and seconded by Councilmember Fitzpatrick.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.  
**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0**

**11. Consider and act on authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators from AEDSuperstore**

Council received a presentation from Police Chief Daniel Robb providing an overview of the Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) from AEDSuperstore.

**Motion:** to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute a contract with AEDSuperstore for the purchase of Automated External Defibrillators was made by Councilmember Vrba and seconded by Councilmember Wohr.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.  
**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**12. Consent Agenda**

**1. Consider and act on an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by amending Chapter 18 titled "Animals" Article VII Title "Mistreatment of Animals" by repealing Section 18-246 titled "Poisoning" and replacing it with a new Section 18-246 titled "Animal Traps and Poison".**

This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda.

**2. Consider and act on a Resolution authorizing membership in the Atmos Cities Steering Committee and authorizing payment of four cents per capita to the Atmos Cities Steering Committee to fund regulatory and related to Atmos Energy Corporation.**

**3. Consider and act on the approval of the December 11, 2025, January 8, 2026, February 4, 2026, February 12, 2026 and March 12, 2026 City Council minutes.**

**Motion:** to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Vrba and seconded by Councilmember Wohr.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.  
**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

**13. Consider and act on an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by amending Chapter 18 titled "Animals" Article VII Title "Mistreatment of Animals" by repealing Section 18-246 titled "Poisoning" and replacing it with a new Section 18-246 titled "Animal Traps and Poison".**

Council held a discussion on the language and provisions of the proposed Ordinance.

**Motion:** to approve an Ordinance by the City of Lake Dallas, Texas, amending the Code of Ordinances of Lake Dallas by amending Chapter 18 titled "Animals" Article VII Title "Mistreatment of Animals" by repealing Section 18-246 titled "Poisoning" and replacing it with a new Section 17-246 titled "Animal Traps and Poison" was made by Councilmember Wohr and seconded by Councilmember Vrba.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Wohr, Lewelling, Fitzpatrick, Vrba and Evans.

**Noes:** None

**Motion Passed 5-0.**

14. **Executive Session:** As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed executive session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda items listed above or herein.

1. Conduct a closed meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to deliberate and evaluate the duties, responsibilities, performance, and dismissal of the City Manager
2. Conduct a closed meeting pursuant to Section 551.074(1) of the Texas Government Code, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the duties of the Mayor and City Council Members.

Council convened into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

15. **Discuss and take appropriate action, if any, resulting from the discussions conducted in Closed Session.**

Council reconvened into Open Session at 9:32 p.m.

**Motion:** To terminate the City Manager was made by Councilmember Lewelling and seconded by Councilmember Evans.

**Ayes:** Councilmember Lewelling and Evans

**Noes:** Councilmember Wohr, Fitzpatrick, and Vrba

**Motion Failed 2-3**

**Adjournment**

Mayor Bleau adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Approved:

  
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Kristy Bleau, Mayor

Attest:

Codi Delcambre

Codi Delcambre, City Secretary

