City of Grand Saline
City Council
132 E Frank Street, Grand Saline, Tx 75140
October 7, 2026
6:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call To Order and Announce a Quorum Is/Is Not Present**
   - ✓ Tommy Davis
   - ✓ Scott Gorby
   - ✓ Amanda Greer, Mayor Pro Tempore
   - ✓ Brian Milliorn
   - ✓ Kathy Smith, Mayor
   - ✓ Taylor Gilmore

   CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM. QUORUM was PRESENT .

Public Participation

The following individuals submitted a request to address the City Council during the public comment period:

Michael Corry – Addressed the Council in support of the Library Cat.
Carla Yaw – Addressed the Council in support of the Library Cat.
Elliana Livas – Addressed the Council in support of the Library Cat.
Ruth Savage - Addressed the Council in support of the Library Cat..
Otto – Addressed the Council to inquire who requested the item be placed on the agenda.

No action was taken by the City Council on matters presented during public comments.

2. **The Following Will Be Discussed, Approved/Accepted/Rejected, or Tabled for Further Study:**

   a. Discuss, consider and take action regarding the future of the Library Cat.

   The City Administrator explained that when she was initially approached with the idea of having a cat at the library, she advised the Librarian that the matter would need further discussion and that a poll of citizens could be considered to gather public feedback. The cat was subsequently brought into the library without authorization. The Librarian had previously acknowledged that if the cat's presence became an issue, the cat would need to be rehomed.

   After receiving complaints from citizens, the City Administrator emailed the Librarian regarding the concerns and reiterated their prior agreement that the cat would need to be removed from the library. The Librarian was given two weeks to find a suitable home for the cat. The following day, the matter received significant media coverage.

   Each Council Member shared their views regarding whether the cat should be permitted to remain at the library.

Council Vote Regarding the Library Cat:

The following Council Members expressed support for rehoming the Library Cat:

- Council Member Brian Milliorn
- Council Member Tommy Davis
- Council Member Taylor Gilmore
- Council Member Amanda Greer

Council Member Scott Gorby opposed rehoming the cat.

3. **Executive Session**

In accordance with the authority contained in the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including but not limited to Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074 and 551.087, the City Council will convene in closed or executive session to discuss the following matters:

a. Under Texas Government Code 551.074 (Personnel Matters) – deliberate, evaluate, and take possible action regarding the City Librarian.

The Librarian requested that the matter be discussed in open session. The City Administrator requested a closed session for legal advice. The City Attorney explained that an executive session could only be held for the purpose of obtaining legal advice pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.071. The City Council elected to take a ten-minute recess.

Recess: The City Council recessed at 7:01 p.m. and reconvened at 7:11 p.m.

At 7:12 p.m., the City Attorney requested an executive session to consult with the City Council. The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. The City Administrator informed the Librarian that the City Attorney had requested to consult with the Council because the Librarian was not present when the executive session was called.

The City Council returned from Executive Session at 7:17 p.m.

Following discussion, it was determined that, pursuant to City policy, matters involving departmental operations fall under the authority of the City Administrator. The City Council has no authority to make departmental personnel decisions, as such decisions are the responsibility of the City Administrator. Therefore, no action by the City Council was required.

Motion to Cancel Executive Session based on the guidance of City Attorney by Scott Gorby
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor Yes

4. **Council Comments/Future Agenda Items:**

No Comments

5. **Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn AT 7:21 PM BY Scott Gorby
2ND Tommy Davis
All in Favor Yes

Approved this 20th day of October 2026.

Kathy Smith, Mayor

Attest

Karrie Rodgers, City Secretary