City of Grand Saline
City Council
318 Saline Street, Grand Saline, Tx 75140
August 18, 2026
6:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA 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

   Called to order at 6:00 PM – Quorum IS present

2. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flag**

   Invocation lead by Jonathan Johnson with Harvest Bible Fellowship Church pledges led by Mayor and Council.

3. **Departmental Reports**

A. EDC/Main Street	E. Municipal Court	I. Code Enforcement
B. Salt Palace	F. Public Works	J. Parks & Recreation
C. Fire Dept/EMS	G. Library	k. Planning & Zoning
D. Fire Marshal	H. Police Dept.	

A. Texas Main Street Accreditation performed a site visit with recommendations to help strengthen Grand Saline's Main Street program and support future accreditation efforts.
B. Not Present
C. 79 calls for July/503 for the year.
D. Not Present – Councilman Brian Miliorn request to review reports of future inspections.
E. Not Present
F. New work order software live, 243 calls for July, Area Wide Paving to repair High St., routine flushing of lines, booster pump out at tower, WWTP keeping O2 levels maintained with excessive heat.
G. Wrapped up summer events/programs, participation increased this year, Library closure scheduled end of August for inventory.
H. Mileage up, citations down from last month, incident reports up, arrests up.
I. Busy month with liens/abatements, citations down, notice process discussed, animal control calls decreased due to Mineola Animal Shelter at capacity and unable to accept animals.
J. Not Present
K. Not Present

4. **City Administrator's Report**

   Closing date delayed with title company on property sold. Budget season is still ongoing. September adoption date. Held a water/wastewater study and scheduled

a workshop to review results. Community Dump Days scheduled. PW down an employee, dry/heat causing more than usual line breaks, crews working a lot of overtime. Several accounts found to not be charging septic rates.

5. **Public Participation:**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the Public Participation section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the mayor. Speakers shall be given four (4) minutes of uninterrupted time to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given eight (8) minutes of uninterrupted time to speak. Public criticism of the governmental body is limited to criticism of any act, omission, policy, procedure, program, or service. However, personal attacks, vulgar and/or obscene language are prohibited. The Council is not allowed to discuss or take any action on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may choose to refer the item to staff for investigation, place the item on a future agenda, or provide factual information, if available.

No speakers present.

Mayor announced three applications submitted for next election for three Councilmember seats.

6. **Consent Items**

The following items are considered routine in nature and are expected to require no individual discussion. All items will be approved by one motion unless a Council Member requests that an item be removed for separate discussion and action.

a. Approval of minutes of City Council Meeting on July 18, 2026.
b. Approval of minutes of City Council Special Called Meeting on July 24
c. Approval of monthly financials for July 2026.
d. Approval of **Resolution No. 2026-22** Street Closure for Bass Anglers Car Show Fundraiser.
e. Approval of **Ordinance No. 2026-12** General Election to be held November 3, 2026, for the purpose of electing three council members for a two-year term.
f. Approval of **Resolution No. 2026-23** Authorized Signatories for GLO Resilient Communities Program Grant 23-160-217-F802.
g. Approval of **Resolution No. 2026.24** adopting required CDBG Civil Rights Policies.
h. Proclamation of April as Fair Housing Month. This proclamation will help to fulfill Fair Housing activity obligations as required by the GLO Resilient Communities Program Grant 23-160-217-F802.

Motion to approve items a.-b. and d.-h., exclude July financials until next meeting made by Brian Milliorn

2nd Scott Gorby

All in Favor Yes

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

a. Presentation by the Texas Rural Water Development and/or City Administrator, regarding the City's water rate study, including review of the City's current water rates, wastewater rates, utility revenues and expenses, and recommended rate structure.

Tabled due to presenter not able to attend. Requested new date to present.

b. Discuss and consider action regarding the City's water rates and rate structure and wastewater rates and rate structure, including any adjustments to rates based upon the water/wastewater rate studies and recommendations presented to the City Council.

Tabled due to presenter not able to attend. Requested new date to present.

c. Discuss and consider action to accept $17,308 in insurance proceeds from the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool (TMLIRP), representing the $17,808 market value less the City's $500 deductible.
Motion to approve Amanda Greer
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

d. Discuss and consider action to authorize the use of the $17,308 insurance proceeds, together with the trade-in value of Unit 8, toward the purchase of vehicles as presented to Council.
Motion to approve Scott Gorby
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

e. Discuss and consider action setting a date for a public hearing for voluntary annexation of property located at 8057 Highway 80, owned by the Economic Development Board.
Motion to set Public Hearing during September's regular scheduled Council Meeting and approve the Ordinance for such on September 15, 2026 @ 6:00 PM by Amanda Greer
2nd Brian Milliorn
All in Favor - Yes

f. Discuss and consider action regarding amendment to ordinances pertaining to water within city limits and outside of city limits Code 13.05.041 & 13.05.042 – review Appendix A Fee Schedule to be amended, amend or delete code 13.03.010(c).
Motion to approve with discussed changes Amanda Greer
2nd Scott Gorby
All in Favor – Yes

g. Discuss and consider action to utilize HOT Tax Funds for EDC/Chamber of Commerce/Main Street signage.
Motion to table until September's regular scheduled meeting Brian Miliorn
2nd Scott Gorby
All in Favor - Yes

h. Discuss and consider authorizing the city attorney to update Codes and related ordinances for Planning and Zoning.
Motion to approve City Attorney Blake Armstrong to do a cursory review and present City Administrator Julie Fisher and Mayor Kathy Smith with an estimate Amanda Greer
2nd Brian Miliorn
All in Favor - Yes

i. Discuss and consider action to set date, time and location of the public hearing on the proposed FY 2026-2027 city budget.
Motion to set date for Public Hearing on FY 2026-2027 City Budget on September 15, 2026 at Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting Brian Milliorn
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

j. Discuss and consider action to set date, time and location of the public hearing on the proposed 2026 ad valorem tax rate.
Motion to set date for Public Hearing on 2026 ad valorem tax rate on September 15, 2026 at Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting Brian Milliorn
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

k. Discuss and consider action to approve **Ordinance No. 2026-13** Establishing a Comprehensive Economic Development Policy and Program for Economic Development Activities for the City.
Motion to approve Amanda Greer
2nd Scott Gorby
All in Favor - Yes

l. Discuss and consider action to approve Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement between the City of Grand Saline and the Grand Saline Housing Authority.
Motion to approve Scott Gorby
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

m. Discuss and consider action regarding a lease agreement with VZC Juvenile Detention Center.
Motion to table for City Attorney Blake Armstrong, City Administrator Julie Fisher and District Attorney Tonda Curry to review Draft of Lease Scott Gorby
2nd Tommy Davis
All in Favor - Yes

8. **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 sessions to discuss the following matters:
   a. Under Gov. Code 551.071 (**Consult with Attorney**) deliberate, evaluate, and take possible action regarding proposing tax rates and correspondence from Attorney General's Office.
9. **Take Action as Necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session**
Mayor Kathy Smith requested discussion not be held in Executive Session, and all City Council members agreed.

Motion to approve City Attorney Blake Armstrong to send formal notification letter to Texas Attorney General's office Amanda Greer
2nd Tommy Davis
All in favor - Yes

10. Council Comments/Future Agenda Items:

Discuss and consider possible action regarding reimbursement from the Housing Authority for unbilled water usage resulting from a water meter that failed to accurately register consumption since 2022.

Mayor requested appointing City Councilmember to fill vacant seat and add to next agenda.

11. Adjourn _____

Motion to adjourn at 8:28 PM Scott Gorby
2nd Amanda Greer
All in Favor - Yes

Executive Session – The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session to discuss any of the matters listed in the agenda, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts & Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations Regarding Security Devices) or 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

Approved this 15th day of September 2026.

Kathy Smith

Kathy Smith, Mayor

Attest:

Karrie Rodgers

Karrie Rodgers, City Secretary