City of Grand Saline
City Council
318 Saline Street, Grand Saline, Tx 75140
November 18, 2025
6:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL 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
   - ✔ Scott Snodgrass

   Quorum established and meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

   Councilman Tommy Davis led the invocation. Pledges of Allegiance led by mayor Kathy Smith.

3. **Approve the minutes of previous meetings:**
   a. Council Meeting of October 21, 2025, 6:00 p.m.

   Motion by Tommy Davis to approve minutes of October 21, 2025.
   Second by Scott Gorby
   Motion Carries – All in Favor

4. **Approve Monthly Financial Reports for the month of September 2025.**

   Skip financials.

5. **Departmental Reports**

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

   Directors of departments provided brief updates to council and provided opportunities for questions.

6. **City Administrator's Report**

   City administrator provided brief update to council and provided opportunities for questions.

7. **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 three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Criticism of city employees or staff shall be allowed, but only after all administrative remedies have been exhausted regarding any such complaint giving rise to the criticism. Those wishing to address the Council regarding an item not on the agenda must be a citizen, property owner or business

owner of Grand Saline. Comments on such non-agenda items shall be limited to three minutes. The Council will not comment on or take any action on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may choose to place the item on a future agenda.

1. Burt Fite, Grand Saline Sun, addressed council – "Main Street Protesters Apology"
2. Otto, 'in my body', addressed council – "Item C"

8. The Following Will Be Discussed, Approved/Accepted/Rejected, Or Tabled for Further Study:

a. Discuss and consider action to adopt **Resolution 2025-20** to place its vote for the Appraisal District's Board of Directors for the 2026-2027 term.

Motion by Scott Snodgrass to approve Resolution 2025-20 and provide 20 votes to Kyl Thompson and 19 votes each to Christy Beckham, Clay Nicklas, C.W. Wilson, Jr.
Second by Brian Milliorn
Motion Carries – All in Favor

b. Discuss and consider action to adopt **Resolution 2025-21** addressing Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles for the year 2026.

Chief Jeremy Barker provided explanation of 100% funded grant opportunity to address Bullet-Resistant Components for Law Enforcement Vehicles. Approval of council via Resolution is part of the process.

Motion by Brian Milliorn to approve Resolution 2025-21.
Second by Amanda Greer
Motion Carries – All in Favor

c. Discuss and consider action to adopt **Resolution 2025-22** for the Economic Development Board Members and Terms.

Motion by Scott Snodgrass to approve Resolution 2025-22.
Second by Scott Gorby
Motion Carries – All in Favor

d. Discuss and consider action to adopt the **official meeting site for City of Grand Saline Council Meetings** as 318 Saline Street, Grand Saline Texas 75140.

Motion by Tommy Davis to adopt 318 Saline Street as the official meeting site for the City of Grand Saline City Council.
Second by Brian Milliorn
Motion Carries – All in Favor

e. Discussion and consider action regarding **High Street retaining wall** quotes.

Motion by Scott Gorby to award the bid to Means Construction Inc. for High Street retaining wall.
Second by Tommy Davis
Motion Carries – All in Favor

f. Discuss and consider action to accept the **Salt Museum Association's termination of the lease** for properties located at 101 N Main Street, and 103 N Main Street, Grand Saline, Texas received November 5, 2025.

City attorney, Blake Armstrong, has no concerns with the lease termination.

Motion by Amanda Greer to accept the termination of lease by the Salt Museum Association.
Second by Tommy Davis
Motion Carries – All in Favor

g. Presentation of **EDC reports** related to property located at 203 E. Pacific Street.

Kyle Thompson, Vice President of EDC, shares that they are awaiting appraisals for the property and should have them December 9, 2025.

h. Discuss and consider action to apply the **grade-all payment** to reduce prior year excess debt collections.

Two payments were made from 24-25 budget. One will be made from 25-26 budget.

Motion by Brian Milliorn to make payment on the grade-all.
Second by Amanda Greer
Motion Carries – All in Favor

i. Discuss and consider action to approve **the VZ County Appraisal District's 2025 Tax Roll** for the City of Grand Saline (Total Tax Levy $1,352,722.14).

Motion by Scott Gorby to accept the VZ County Appraisal District's 2025 Tax Roll
Second by Tommy Davis
Motion Carries – All in Favor

j. Status report regarding an updated City of **Grand Saline Personnel Handbook**.

City Administrator, Sonya Bishop, shared that the current personnel policy is outdated and she has contacted the Texas Municipal League for samples that have proper language, have been vetted by legal, and updated with current law. The revision is about half-complete at present and will be made available at the next meeting.

k. Status report regarding **purchasing procedures**, purchase orders, and related policies for the City of Grand Saline.

City Administrator, Sonya Bishop, shared that revised purchasing procedures are in practice and will be put into written procedure. Example, any purchase over $500 requires three quotes. This will be made available at the next meeting.

9. **Executive Session** –
    a. Under Gov. Code 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) deliberate, evaluate, and take possible action regarding projected timeline for EDC real estate matters pertaining to 203 E. Pacific Street and exploration of any legal restrictions.
    b. Under Gov. Code 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) deliberate, evaluate, and take possible action regarding buildings located at 101 Main Street, Grand Saline, Texas and 103 Main Street, Grand Saline, Texas.
    c. Under Gov. Code 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to deliberate, evaluation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officer – City Administrator.

Council adjourned to executive session at 6:37 p.m.
Council returned from executive session at 7:54 p.m.
Regarding item (a) above, council takes no action.
Regarding item (b) above, council takes no action.
Regarding item (c) above, council takes no action.

10. **Council Comments/Future Agenda Items**:
    1. Permitting process for building and associated costs.
    2. Pricing for Bureau Veritas North America building inspections.
    3. Special Called Meeting scheduled for 6 p.m., Tuesday, November 25, 2025.

11. **Adjourn** _____

Motion to adjourn by Scott Gorby
Second by Tommy Davis
Motion Carries – All in Favor

Adjourned 8:02 p.m.

Approved:

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Kathy Smith, Mayor

Attest:

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Julie Fisher, City Secretary