



# City of Rowlett

## Meeting Minutes

### City Council

4000 Main Street  
Rowlett, TX 75088  
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Tuesday, July 1, 2014

5:15 P.M.

Municipal Building – 4000 Main Street

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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 item herein.

The City of Rowlett reserves the right to reconvene, recess or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

**Present: Mayor Gottel, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, Councilmember Bobbitt, Councilmember Pankratz, Councilmember Sheffield, Councilmember Dana-Bashian and Councilmember van Bloemendaal**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Gottel called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

**2. EXECUTIVE SESSION (5:15 P.M.)\* Times listed are approximate**

- 2A.** The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.087 (Economic Development) and §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss the Rowlett Chamber of Commerce Lease Agreement for property located at 3910 Main Street. (30 minutes) THIS DISCUSSION WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE REGULAR MEETING.

Council reconvened in Executive Session at 8:44 p.m. Out at 9:20 p.m.

- 2B.** The City Council shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice from the City Attorney and to discuss the lease agreement with American Golf Corporation and the Waterview Golf Course bonded indebtedness. (30 minutes)

Council convened in Executive Session at 5:18 p.m. Out at 6:22 p.m.

**3. WORK SESSION (5:45 P.M.)\***

- 3A.** Discuss the restructuring of the lease agreement with American Golf Corporation. (30 minutes).

- 5B. Hear presentation of the Monthly Financial report for the period ending May 31, 2014.

Alan Guard, Chief Financial Officer, presented the report.

- 5C. Presentation of Texas Department of Transportation check to Keep Rowlett Beautiful.

Members of Keep Rowlett Beautiful presented Mayor Gottle with a check in the amount of \$250,000.

- 5D. Update from the City Council and Management: Financial Position, Major Projects, Operational Issues, Upcoming Dates of Interest and Items of Community Interest.

Mayor Gottle announced the following: Upcoming City Council meetings: Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>; Special Work Session – Annex Conference Room; Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>; Regular Meeting – City Hall Conference Room. Upcoming Planning & Zoning Commission meetings will be Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>; 6pm in City Hall Conference Room. **STAGE 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS** – residents can water Once Every TWO Weeks. **MOSQUITO TESTING AND ABATEMENT PLAN** - The City contracts with Dallas County for mosquito testing, abatement and spraying. The contract covers ALL of Rowlett, including the portion located in Rockwall County. Dallas County increased the number of mosquito traps set around Rowlett from five to six zones. Dallas County will perform ground spraying of the entire zone when a mosquito has tested positive. Mosquito testing in Rowlett will occur on Wednesdays. City will be notified of results by 10am on the following Friday. If a mosquito tests positive, ground spraying of the zone will occur at dusk the same evening (weather permitting). Residents will be notified of the affected area through Everbridge and the City's website. What can you do?? Follow the 4 D's: Dress: wear long, loose and light-colored clothing; DEET: use insect repellent products with DEET or other EPA approved repellents; Drain: inspect property for standing water, regularly clean roof gutters, dump water from potted plants, change birdbath and pet water daily; Dusk & Dawn: stay indoors during the dusk and dawn hours when mosquitoes are most active. **ANIMAL SHELTER** – maintaining a 96% live release rate! Low-cost vaccine clinic Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm and 19<sup>th</sup> 1-4pm. Normal business hours at 4402 Industrial Street are Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm and Saturday, 10:30am-5pm. Upcoming events for Parks and Recreation: Fireworks on Main – Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, starts at 6pm. Wet Zone is open through August. Check out the Parks & Recreation page on our website for hours of operation and more information on the "Summer Camps" being held at the Community Centre. Upcoming events at the Rowlett Public Library: Summer Reading Program started June 9<sup>th</sup> and runs through August 1<sup>st</sup>. Check out everything going on at the Library this summer at Rowlett.com or the Rowlett on the Move newsletter. Arts & Humanities Annual Photography Contest: 2014 Theme – "Rowlett Up Close!" Entries accepted at the Rowlett Library on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am to noon. Will be on display through October 4<sup>th</sup>. More information at Rowlett.com on the Arts & Humanities page. **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM** - Become a member of the CERT

**Todd Gottel**

- Columnist – Dallas Morning News NeighborsGo
- Member – Metroplex Mayors Association
- Member – Rowlett Council Finance and Audit Committee (1)
- Member – Rowlett Council Leadership Team (1)
- Moderator – RTN16 “Rowlett...on the Water...on the Move!”

**Michael Gallops**

- Member – North Texas Commission
- Representative – Rowlett Citizen Corps Council (RCCC) Board
- Member – Rowlett Council Leadership Team (2)

**Carl Pankratz**

- Member – Dallas Regional Chamber
- Member – Rowlett Council Leadership Team (3)
- Member – Rowlett TIF Board
- Liaison – Arts & Humanities Commission

**Robbert van Bloemendaal**

- Member – Rowlett Council Finance and Audit Committee (2)
- Liaison – Animal Shelter Advisory Board
- Liaison – Planning and Zoning Commission

**Debby Bobbitt**

- Member – Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition
- Representative – Rockwall County EMS
- Member – Rockwall County Planning Consortium
- Member – TEX-21
- Liaison – Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
- Liaison – Traffic & Safety Advisory Commission

**Tammy Dana-Bashian**

- Member – Rowlett Council Finance and Audit Committee (3)
- Member – Rowlett Economic Development Advisory Board (Council appointment)
- Member – Rowlett TIF Board
- Liaison – Senior Advisory Board

**Rick Sheffield**

- Member – Rowlett TIF Board
- Liaison – Board of Adjustment
- Liaison – Golf Advisory Board
- Liaison – Library Advisory Board

- 8F. Consider an ordinance authorizing the discharge and redemption of the City's General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2010A; approving an escrow agreement; and enacting other provisions relating to the subject.

Mr. Funderburk provided the background information on this item, which was partially reviewed in the Work Session.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Sheffield, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gallops, to approve the item as presented. The motion carried with a unanimous vote of those members present. This item was adopted as ORD-026-14.**

Council took a short break at 8:34 p.m. and reconvened for Executive Session item 2A at 8:44 p.m.

**TAKE ANY NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE ACTION ON CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

  
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Todd W. Gottel, Mayor

  
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Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

Date Approved: July 15, 2014