

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION HELD JUNE 19, 2025. The City Council of the City of Crowley, Texas met in Regular Session on Thursday, June 19, 2025, at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, 201 East Main Street, Crowley City Hall, Crowley, Texas.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Billy Davis called the Regular Session to order at 7:00 p.m. City Secretary Carol Cannady called roll and noted a quorum was present.

Present were

Council Member Tina Pace, Council Member Jerry Beck, Council Member Jesse Johnson, Council Member Jim Hirth, Council Member Matt Foster, Council Member Scott Gilbreath, Mayor Billy Davis

City staff included:

City Attorney, Rob Allibon

City Secretary, Carol Cannady

Police Chief, Kit Long

Planning and Comm Dev Director, Rachel Roberts

EDC Director, Molly Martin

Asst Finance Director, Heather Gwin

Media Relations Coordinator, Jay Hinton

Downtown Events Coordinator, Julie Hepler

Absent: None

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags

Invocation was given by Media Relations Coordinator Jay Hinton followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas Flags.

Presentations/Proclamations

None

Consent Agenda

1. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the work session and regular meeting held on June 5, 2025.

Council Member Jim Hirth made the motion to Approve the consent agenda items; second by Council Member Jerry Beck, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Hearings

1. Hold a public hearing to discuss and consider approval of Ordinance 06-2025-566, an ordinance amending Sec. 106.66(E)(4) of Chapter 106, the comprehensive zoning ordinance, to require outdoor sales or display to be limited in location to within 15 feet of the building and not block the fire lane. **Case # ZCA-2025-001.**

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. and invited anyone wishing to speak to come forward. Mayor Davis closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Council Member Jim Hirth made the motion to Approve Ordinance 06-2025-566 amending Chapter 106, the comprehensive plan; second by Council Member Matt Foster, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

2. (a) Hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Proposed Budget for the City of Crowley Crime Control and Prevention District. (b) Discuss and consider approval/adoption of the Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) proposed FY 2025-26 Budget.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing at 7:03p.m. and invited anyone wishing to speak to come forward. Mayor Davis closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Council Member Tina Pace made the motion to Approve the FY2025-26 Crime Control and Prevention District Budget; second by Council Member Jesse Johnson, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

City Business

1. Discuss and consider canceling the regularly scheduled City Council Meeting on Thursday, July 3, 2025, and instead calling a Special City Council Meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 1, 2025.

Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to Approve canceling the City Council Meeting scheduled for Jul 3, 2025 and instead, calling a special meeting for Jul 1, 2025; second by Council Member Matt Foster, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Discuss and consider approval of a 3-year contract (2025-2027) with Tarrant County Tax Assessor for the collection services of Ad Valorem Taxes levied by the City and authorizing the Mayor to execute said contract.

Council Member Jerry Beck made the motion to Approve a 3-year contract with Tarrant County Tax Assessor for the collection of services of Ad Valorem taxed; second by Council Member Tina Pace, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Discuss and Consider the adoption of Ordinance 06-2025-565, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Crowley, Texas, amending the solid waste rate fees in Appendix A, Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges of the Code of Ordinances; providing that this ordinance shall be cumulative of all ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing for publication; and providing an effective date.

Council Member Matt Foster made the motion to Approve Ordinance 06-2025-565 amending the solid waste rates; second by Council Member Jim Hirth, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Discuss and consider a special event permit application submitted by Devonne Taylor on behalf of Kreatio Outreach to hold a worship service in Bicentennial Park on June 29, 2025 from 2:00pm

till 7:30pm.

Council Member Matt Foster made the motion to Approve a special event permit for Kreatio Outreach to hold a worship service in the park; second by Council Member Jesse Johnson, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

5. Discuss and consider approving EDC Budget Amendment #1 for FY 2024-2025, and approve the purchase of property not to exceed \$880,000.

Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to Approve Amendment #1 to the FY2024-25 EDC Budget; second by Council Member Jim Hirth, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Public Comment

None

Items of Community Interest

Main Street Coordinator Julie Hepler announced several upcoming events that would be held in the plaza which included a Beat the Heat event, concerts, and movies.

Executive Session

Mayor Billy Davis announced that the City Council would convene into Executive Session at 7:17 p.m. to consult with the City Attorney on the possibility of filing a lawsuit against the Maverick County Housing Finance Corporation, Tarrant Appraisal District, and other appropriate parties, regarding tax-exempt property pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code and to discuss the value and exchange of real property for a development opportunity located at 125 N. Hampton Rd, pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code.

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2. Discuss the value and exchange of real property for a development opportunity located at 125 N. Hampton Rd, pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code - Deliberations about Real Property.

Reconvene and Take Action from Executive Session

At 7:41 p.m., Mayor Billy Davis announced the City Council would reconvene into open session and due to discussion during executive session Council Member Jesse Johnson made the motion to authorize the City Attorney's Office filing of a tax exemption challenge under the Tax Code and the filing of a lawsuit against the Maverick County Housing Finance Corporation, the Tarrant Appraisal District, and other appropriate parties to invalidate removal of properties from the ad valorem tax rolls; second by Council Member Scott Gilbreath, council voted unanimously to approve the motion as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, Mayor Billy Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Billy P. Davis
Billy Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carol C. Cannady
Carol C. Konhauser, City Secretary
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