

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION HELD MARCH 19, 2026. The City Council of the City of Crowley, Texas met in Work Session on Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 6:30 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 Work Session to order at 6:30 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 Manager, Lori Watson

Asst City Manager, Cristina Winner

Asst City Manager, Matt Elgin

City Attorney, Rob Allibon

City Secretary, Carol Cannady

Fire Chief, Pleasant Brooks

Police Chief, Kit Long

Planning and Comm Dev Director, Rachel Roberts

Public Works Director, Mike Rocamontes

EDC Director, Molly Martin

Asst Finance Director, Heather Gwin

Downtown Events Coordinator, Julie Hepler

Absent: None

Consent Agenda

1. Discuss and consider approving the minutes from the work session and regular meeting held on March 5, 2026.

No discussion

Public Hearings

1. Hold a public hearing, discuss, and consider approval of Ordinance # 03-2026-590 amending Ordinance # 03-2024-518, the planned development district regulations for Teeter Ranch planned development district, to reduce the side yard setback from 7.5 ft to 5 ft in the PD-R-3 single family residential sub-district and to update the concept plan and/or other exhibits attached to the ordinance. **Case # ZCA-2025-005.**

No discussion

City Business

1. Discuss and consider approval of a request by Bloomfield Homes for a waiver (variance) from Sec. 98-38 Subdivision Regulations to allow grading and clearing prior to approval of a final plat

No discussion

2. Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager, or her designee, to amend the existing Chapter 380 Agreement with Next Level Events, LLC for the purpose of rescheduling the BBQ Festival to a new proposed event date of November 7, 2026.

No discussion

3. Discuss and consider approval of the annual contract (October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026) for fire and ambulance service with Tarrant County Emergency Service District No. 1 and authorizing the Mayor to execute said contract.

Fire Chief Pleasant Brooks informed the Council that the ESD is currently discussing the potential construction of a new station near the Chisholm Tollway. He noted that if this occurs, the City could lose associated funding, as many calls originate from that area. He recommended that the City consider setting aside these funds for the future purchase of fire trucks or ambulances.

4. Discuss and consider approval of an amended development agreement with Bloomfield Homes to include clearing and grading on an unplatted tract of land on Crowley Rd

No discussion

5. Discuss and consider 2025-26 CCPD Budget Amendment #3 to allocate partial salary costs for the newly established Project Manager Position.

No discussion

6. Discuss and consider 2025-26 EDC Budget Amendment #1 to allocate partial salary costs for the newly established Project Manager Position, Media Coordinator Training and demolition of 105 N Tarrant St., 200 McCurdy St. and 208 W Main St.

No discussion

7. Discuss and consider adoption of Resolution R03-2026-482 to amend the Texpool Authorized Representatives.

No discussion

8. Discuss and consider adoption of Ordinance 03-2026-591 amending the FY2025-26 City of Crowley Operating Budget and appropriating resources to be known as "FY2025-26 Budget Amendment No. 1"; establishing an effective date.

No discussion

9. Discuss and consider proposed event format options and associated costs for the 2026 Celebration of Freedom.

Jasmin Rojas, Special Event Coordinator, presented the operational options developed by staff in response to City Council's direction to evaluate formats and associated costs for the 2026 Celebration of Freedom. She explained that Option A would consist of a fully secured, ticketed event with a fenced perimeter, security screening, and attendance capped at approximately 3,500, along with live entertainment and limited vendors; however, no on-site parking or shuttle service would be provided, and traffic would be managed in surrounding areas. While this option offers the highest level of security and a traditional event experience, it requires significant planning and has the highest estimated cost of \$142,775, excluding city staffing. She also outlined Option B, a simplified fireworks-only approach in which Bicentennial Park would be closed to the public and secured during the display, with residents encouraged to view the show from various locations throughout the city and traffic managed in nearby neighborhoods. This option eliminates event programming, though it could include synchronized music via FM broadcast, and represents the most cost-effective approach, with an estimated cost of \$94,106, excluding city staffing. She also clarified that the city would not be able to obtain the broadcast license in time for this year's event. Council inquired why the park would need to be closed under Option B. Jasmin explained that to allow residents to view the fireworks from across the city, the vendor would use larger shells launched at a higher altitude, which increases the fallout area and necessitates closing the park for safety reasons.

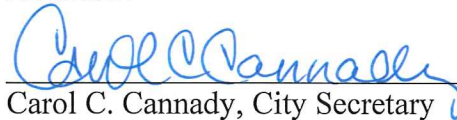
Adjournment

As there was no further business, Mayor Billy Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.



Billy Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:



Carol C. Cannady, City Secretary