



The City Council of the City of Columbus, Texas met in regular session on Monday, December 22, 2025, at 12:15 PM, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring St., Columbus, Texas, with the following present:

Mayor – Lori An Gobert
Mayor Pro Tem – Chuck Rankin
Councilman – Keith Cummings
Councilman – Ronny Daley
Councilwoman – Paige Sciba
Councilman – Michael Ridlen (Absent)
City Manager – Donald Warschak
City Secretary – Bana Schneider
Assistant City Secretary – Dinah Jacobs

Other City Staff present included:

Police Chief – Skip Edman
Police Lieutenant – Christopher Mayfield
Code Enforcement – Richard LaCourse

1. Call to Order

Mayor Lori An Gobert called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Gobert led the pledge and invocation.

3. Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Moved by: Ronny Daley

Seconded by: Paige Sciba

Aye Paige Sciba, Chuck Rankin, Keith Cummings, and Ronny Daley

Carried 4-0

3.1 Approval of Invoices

3.2 Approval of Minutes of the December 8, 2025 Regular Meeting

[20251208_MINUTES.pdf](#) 

4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments¹

There were no comments.

5. City Manager's Report [20251222_CM REPORT.pdf](#) 

City Manager, Donald Warschak, gave his report. A copy is attached to these minutes.

No action was needed.

6. Consideration and Action to Approve the Buy Board Pricing Proposal for Water Well #8 Rehabilitation from Weisinger, INC.

Warschak gave information on the proposal to rehab WW#8.

Councilman Rankin asked if this will put it back into full service. Warschak stated yes. It was due for rehab that happens every 8-10 years. It was budgeted for \$150,000. This is a little over budget but still under what was originally thought it could be.

Motion to approve the Buy Board proposal to rehab WW#8.

Moved by: Chuck Rankin

Seconded by: Keith Cummings

Aye Paige Sciba, Chuck Rankin, Keith Cummings, and Ronny Daley

Carried 4-0

7. Consideration and Action Regarding Second Reading and Approval of Resolution 312-25, a Resolution Authorizing CCIDC's Acquisition of Real Property for Economic Development Purposes Requiring an Expenditure that Exceeds \$10,000. [RESOLUTION 312-25_CCIDC PURCHASE.pdf](#) 

Gobert gave the second reading of Resolution 312-25.

Motion to approve Resolution 312-25.

Moved by: Paige Sciba

Seconded by: Chuck Rankin

8. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, Regarding the November 2025 Code Enforcement Report.

Code Enforcement officer, Richard LaCourse, gave his report. A copy is attached to these minutes.

No action was needed.

9. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, Regarding the November 2025 Police Report. [CPD STATS NOV 2025.pdf](#) 

Police Chief, Milton Edman, gave his report. A copy is attached to these minutes. Edman also distributed a copy of their training hours for the month.

No action was needed.

10. Items from Councilmembers²

Cummings - Merry Christmas

Daley - Merry Christmas

Sciba - Merry Christmas

Ridlen - Absent

Rankin - Merry Christmas

Gobert - Merry Christmas

11. Announcements

Warschak wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked the City for sponsoring a very successful blood drive in memory of Jacob.

Gobert thanked Warschak for preparing today's lunch.

12. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.



Lori An Gobert, Mayor

Attest:



Bana Schneider, City Secretary

¹During this agenda item, citizens may comment for the record on items which are not on the agenda. However, the Council may not participate in discussion or deliberation on any item that is not on the agenda. Citizens may request that a topic be added to a future agenda.

²Limited to statements. Issues raised by councilmembers under this item cannot be deliberated by Council. The Open Meetings Act does not allow Council to deliberate items that don't appear on the agenda.