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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 13, 2026
TO: The Honorable Mayor Watts and Council Members
FROM: Cassey Ogden, Interim City Manager
SUBJECT: Friday Staff Report

Upcoming Meetings

1. CANCELLED - Development Code Review Committee on **Monday, November 16, 2026,** at **3:00 p.m.** at the Development Service Center.
2. Zoning Board of Adjustment on **Monday**, **November 16, 2026,** at **5:30 p.m.** at the Development Service Center.
3. Work Session of the City Council on **Tuesday, November 17, 2026,** at **11:00 a.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room followed by a Special Called Meeting at **6:30 p.m.** in the Council Chambers.
4. Animal Shelter Advisory Committee on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **10:00 a.m.** at the Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center.
5. Mobility Committee on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **10:00 a.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room.
6. Civil Service Commission on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **11:00 a.m.** in the Fire EOC Training Room.
7. Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 Board on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **12:00 p.m.** at the Development Service Center.
8. Airport Advisory Board on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **3:00 p.m.** in the Airport Terminal Meeting Room.
9. Planning and Zoning Commission on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026,** at **5:00 p.m.** in the City Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers.
10. Committee on Persons with Disabilities on **Thursday, November 19, 2026,** at **3:00 p.m.** at the Development Service Center.

Please check the City of Denton website for final meeting days and times as information is subject to change after the Friday Report is published. Public Meetings & Agendas | Denton, TX (civicplus.com)

Upcoming Community Events and Public Meetings

Please visit the City of Denton website for upcoming community events and details.

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General Information & Status Updates

A. Upcoming Rec Center Temporary Closure – **Denia Recreation Center**
Temporary Closure Dates: Dec. 2 - Dec. 7; Reopens Tues., Dec. 8.
Denton Parks and Recreation will temporarily close the Denia Recreation Center to complete scheduled facility maintenance.

Members may use their passes at any open recreation center during regular operating hours. Members age 50 and above may also access the Denton Senior Center and American Legion Hall Senior Center. Staff contact: Jen Basham, Parks & Recreation

B. Upcoming Library Temporary Closure – **Emily Fowler Central Library**
Early Closure Date: Dec. 5; Reopens Sun., Dec. 6
The parking lot at Emily Fowler Central Library will close at 1 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 5, to serve as a staging area for the Annual Holiday Lighting Festival. As a result, the library will also close at that time. Staff contact: Jennifer Bekker, Libraries

Responses to Council Member Requests for Information

A. Emergency Response at UNT Football Game – On Nov. 8, Council Member Holland shared an inquiry regarding emergency vehicle presence near DATCU Stadium during the UNT football game on Saturday. Denton Fire responded to a medical emergency during a large gathering with a DJ in the grassy area on the hill. Denton and UNT Police were also on scene. During the response, there was a report of a gunshot and a person with a gun, which caused people to run. Police determined the report was false, a balloon had popped, causing the crowd to disperse quickly. Staff contact: Kenneth Hedges, Fire

B. Congress Street Park Update – On Nov. 5, Council Member Rumohr asked for updates regarding next steps for Congress Street Park. The Track and Field Parcel updates include replacement of track material, grading work, and removal of goal posts, concrete slabs, and fence along the parking lot beginning the week of Nov. 16, with water service and a drinking fountain to be installed by December 2026. The Sport Courts Parcel updates include concrete patching and new handrails in December. Court repairs and resurfacing are likely in Feb. 2027, pending weather conditions. Staff contact: Jen Basham, Parks & Recreation

C. Marietta Street Parking Issues – On Nov. 4, Council Member Rumohr shared feedback from a resident regarding visibility concerns on Marietta Street. 'No parking' striping will be installed on Marietta Street near the intersections with Oak Street and Scripture Street to improve visibility for vehicles and pedestrians. Installation is scheduled to be completed by Nov. 17. Staff contact: Chandra Muruganandham, Transportation Services

D. Cooper Creek Environmental Concern – On Nov. 8, Mayor Pro Tem Stevens shared a report from a resident that there were dead and dying fish at the Cooper Creek pond in Avondale Park. That same day, Environmental Services received four 311 reports about two separate events at Cooper Creek. On Nov. 9, Environmental Services and Water Utilities assessed the area around Cooper Creek to identify possible sources of the reported fish kill. Lab analysis did not identify a specific source, and the fish kill was determined to be episodic in nature. The fish kill has been reported to the State, and Environmental Services will continue to monitor the area.

   Separately, the reported blue coloring of the water resulted from algaecide treatment of Kings Ridge Pond, which is allowable under the manufacturer's recommendations. Staff contact: Michael Gange, Environmental Services & Sustainability

Friday Report - Council Requests FY 26-27

	Summary of Request or Item	Council Member Requestor	Date Received	Staff Assigned	Department	Comments	Action
1	Flood Plain Permit Issue	Mayor Pro Tem Stevens	11/02/26	Charlie Rosendahl	Development Services	Response sent.	Complete
2	Emergency Vehicles at UNT Game	Council Member Holland	11/08/26	Kenneth Hedges, Tony Salas	Fire Police	Response sent.	Complete
3	Encampment on City of Denton Proprety	Council Member Holland	11/08/26	Jesse Kent	Community Services	Response sent.	Complete
4	Updates on City Projects	Council Member Rumohr	11/05/26	Jen Basham, Seth Garcia	Capital Projects & Street Ops Parks	Response sent.	Complete
5	Lead Pipe Compliance Assistance	Council Member Holland	11/02/26	Stephen Gay	Water Utilities	Response sent.	Complete
6	City Sponsorship Fund Source	Council Member Holland	11/08/26	Matthew Hamilton	Finance	Response sent.	Complete
7	Marietta Street Parking Specific Location Follow Up	Council Member Rumohr	11/04/26	Farhan Butt	Development Services	Response sent.	Complete
8	Hodge Elementary Traffic Concerns	Council Member Ferrie Mayor Watts	10/30/26	Farhan Butt	Development Services	Response sent.	Complete
9	Cooper Creek Environmental Concern	Mayor Pro Tem Stevens	11/08/26	Michael Gange	Environmental Services	Response sent.	Complete
10	Injured Dog Outside City Limits	Council Member Holland	11/11/26	Nikki Sassenus	Animal Services	Response sent.	Complete
11	Safe Routes to School Project FAQ	Council Member Rumohr	11/03/26	Seth Garcia	Capital Projects & Street Ops	Referred to staff.	In Progress
12	Oak Street Transportation Safety	Mayor Pro Tem Stevens	11/10/26	Farhan Butt	Development Services	Referred to staff.	In Progress
13	Sycamore and Mulberry Signals Timeline	Council Member Rumohr	11/10/26	Seth Garcia	Capital Projects & Street Ops	Referred to staff.	In Progress
14	Sidewalk Gap on Meadowlands	Council Member Holland	11/11/26	Farhan Butt	Development Services	Referred to staff.	In Progress
15	Wiggly Field Dog Incident	Mayor Pro Tem Stevens	11/11/26	Tony Salas	Police	Referred to staff.	In Progress
16	Hodge Elementary Traffic Layout Request	Council Member Ferrie	11/12/26	Charlie Rosendahl	Development Services	Referred to staff.	In Progress
17	Lakewood Estates Fence	Council Member Holland	11/11/26	Jesse Kent	Community Services	Referred to staff.	In Progress
18	Riding a Bicycle on North Sherman	Council Member Rumohr	10/26/26	Farhan Butt	Development Services	Feedback shared with TxDOT. Anticipated response from them on 11/19, & staff response scheduled for 11/24	Scheduled
19	Sherman Basin Litter Follow Up	Mayor Pro Tem Stevens	10/30/26	Jesse Kent	Community Services	Abatement scheduled by 11/13.	Scheduled

City of Denton

Meeting Calendar

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Denton, Texas 76201
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Criteria : Begin Date: 11/16/2026, End Date: 2/19/2027

Date	Time	Meeting Body	Meeting Location
November 2026			
11/16/2026	3:00 PM	Development Code Review Committee	Cancelled
11/16/2026	5:30 PM	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Development Service Center
11/17/2026	11:00 AM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
11/18/2026	10:00 AM	Animal Shelter Advisory Committee	Animal Services Training Room
11/18/2026	10:00 AM	Mobility Committee	Council Work Session Room
11/18/2026	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission	Fire EOC Training Room
11/18/2026	12:00 PM	Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One Board	Development Service Center
11/18/2026	3:00 PM	Airport Advisory Board	Airport Terminal Meeting Room
11/18/2026	5:00 PM	Planning and Zoning Commission	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
11/19/2026	3:00 PM	Committee on Persons with Disabilities	Development Service Center
11/25/2026	1:00 PM	Civil Service Commission	City Hall East Human Resources Training Room
December 2026			
12/1/2026	11:00 AM	Denton City Public Facility Corporation	Council Work Session Room
12/1/2026	12:00 PM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
12/3/2026	8:00 AM	Agenda Committee	Council Work Session Room
12/3/2026	8:30 AM	Downtown Economic Development Committee	Development Service Center
12/3/2026	4:00 PM	Public Art Committee	Civic Center Community Room
12/7/2026	9:00 AM	Public Utilities Board	Council Work Session Room
12/7/2026	6:00 PM	Parks, Recreation and Beautification Board	Civic Center Community Room

Date	Time	Meeting Body	Meeting Location
12/9/2026	11:00 AM	Economic Development Partnership Board	Development Service Center
12/9/2026	1:00 PM	Sustainability Framework Advisory Committee	City Council Work Session Room
12/9/2026	3:00 PM	Airport Advisory Board	Airport Terminal Meeting Room
12/10/2026	3:00 PM	Health & Building Standards Commission	Development Service Center
12/10/2026	5:30 PM	Capital Improvement Advisory Committee	Development Service Center
12/14/2026		Public Utilities Board	Council Work Session Room
12/14/2026	5:30 PM	Board of Ethics	Council Work Session Room
12/14/2026	5:30 PM	Library Board	North Branch Library
12/14/2026	5:30 PM	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Development Service Center
12/15/2026	2:00 PM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
12/16/2026	10:00 AM	Mobility Committee	Council Work Session Room
12/16/2026	5:00 PM	Planning and Zoning Commission	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
12/17/2026	5:30 PM	Capital Improvement Advisory Committee	Development Service Center
12/23/2026	1:00 PM	Civil Service Commission	City Hall East Human Resources Training Room
12/31/2026		City Council	Council Chambers
January 2027			
1/12/2027	2:00 PM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
1/27/2027	12:00 PM	Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number One Board	Development Service Center
February 2027			
2/2/2027	2:00 PM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers
2/16/2027	2:00 PM	City Council	Council Work Session Room & Council Chambers

Tentative Work Session Topics and Meeting Information
Updated: November 10, 2026

Meeting Date	Item	Legistar ID	Departments Involved	Type	Estimated Time
November 17 Work Session (@11:00 a.m.) Special Called Meeting (Upon conclusion of the WS)	A. Housing Tax Credit Request			City Business	0:15
	B. Capital Projects Admin Audit Follow-Up	26-1191	**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	C. Grants Management Audit Follow-Up	26-1190	**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	D: Multifamily Moratorium	26-1395	**Development Services**	Council Request	0:30
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	26-0636	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s): Federal Grants, Review City Manager applicant pool with SGR.		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	1:45
				Total Est. Time:	4:00
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
December 1 Work Session (@12:00 p.m.) Regular Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. DME Net Income/Fund Balance Follow-up	26-1889	**Finance**	City Business	0:45
	A. Boards and Commissions Update	26-1855	**City Secretary's Office**	Council Request	1:00
	B. Citizens' Committee of Art and Culture	26-1856	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	C. Minimum Parking Reduction Pilot Program	26-1607	**Development Services**	City Business	0:45
	D. MUD Policy	26-1611	**Development Services**	City Business	1:00
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	26-0637	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s): Review candidates and determine semifinalists for in-person interviews.		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	2:00
				Total Est. Time:	6:30
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
December 15 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Regular Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. Hold for City Manager Interviews	TBD			0:00
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	26-0638	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:00
	Closed Meeting Item(s): Interviews		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	4:15
				Total Est. Time:	4:15
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
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January 12 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Special Called Meeting (Upon conclusion of the WS)	A. New Market Tax Credit	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	City Business	0:30
	B. Monthly Financial Update	TBD	**Finance**	City Business	0:45
	C. Parks Update	TBD	**Parks**	City Business	0:45
	D. Eco Dev Catalyst Projects	TBD	**Economic Development**	City Business	1:00
	E. Community Forever Village	26-2429	**Development Services**	City Business	0:45
	F. Financial Planning Audit	25-2153	**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s):		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	0:30
				Total Est. Time:	4:30
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
February 2, 2027 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Regular Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. Monthly Financial Update	TBD	**Finance**	City Business	0:15
	B. HOT Funds & Sponsorship Allocation Process	TBD	**Finance**	City Business	1:00
	C. Ethics Ordinance Update	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	D. Body-Worn Cameras Audit Follow-up		**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	E. Franchise Fees Audit Follow-up		**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	F. Network Management Audit Follow-up (Closed)		**Internal Audit**	City Business	0:15
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s): Hunter/Cole Impact Fees		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	0:30
				Total Est. Time:	3:30
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
February 16, 2027 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Regular Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. Quakertown Memorial Fund	TBD		Council Request	0:30
	B. City-Wide Fiscal Impact Analysis	TBD		Council Request	0:30
	C. July Fireworks Options	TBD		City Business	0:45
	D. Downtown TIRZ Funding Category Amendments	TBD		Council Request	0:30
	E. Development Code Review Committee Work Plan	TBD	**Development Services**	Council Request	0:45
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s): MUD 12 Update		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	0:30
				Total Est. Time:	4:00
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
March 2, 2027 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Regular Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. Monthly Financial Update	TBD	**Finance**	City Business	0:15
	B.	TBD		City Business	0:00
	C.	TBD		City Business	0:00
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s):		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	0:30
				Total Est. Time:	1:15
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				
March 23, 2027 Work Session (@2:00 p.m.) Special Called Meeting (@ 6:30 p.m.)	A. Long Term Financial Policies	TBD	**Finance**	City Business	1:00
	B. Alternative Schedule Pilot Program	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	City Business	1:00
	C.	TBD		City Business	0:00
	X. Two Minute Pitch:	TBD	**City Manager's Office**	Council Request	0:30
	Closed Meeting Item(s):		**Legal (if any)**	City Business	0:30
				Total Est. Time:	3:00
	Other Major Items for Meeting:				

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