

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2025

25-0045

SPECIAL CALLED JOINT MEETING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND
GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL/VIDEO CONFERENCE
COUNCILMEMBER MAXIE JOHNSON, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [7] Johnson, Mendelsohn, Resendez, Bazaldua, Blackmon, Roth, Ridley
(*10:37 a.m.)

ABSENT: [0]

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. with a quorum of the committee present.

The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

The meeting recessed at 11:43 a.m. and reconvened to open session at 11:57 a.m.

After all business properly brought before the committee had been considered, the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

City Secretary Staff

Date Approved

The agenda is attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT A.

The actions taken on each matter considered by the committee are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT B.

The briefing materials for this meeting are filed with the City Secretary's Office as EXHIBIT C.

**** Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened.**

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EXHIBIT A

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**Special Called Joint Meeting of the Public Safety
Committee and Government Efficiency Committee**

November 6, 2025

9:00 AM

2025 CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

AD HOC COUNCIL COMMITTEES	COUNCIL COMMITTEES
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS Moreno (C), Cadena, M. Johnson, Mendelsohn, Stewart <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Moreno (C), Ridley (VC), Blair, Cadena, Gracey, Roth, West <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GENERAL INVESTIGATING AND ETHICS Willis (C), Blair, Cadena, Mendelsohn, Stewart <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>	PARKS, TRAILS, AND THE ENVIRONMENT Stewart, (C), West (VC), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Blair, M. Johnson, Ridley <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS Ridley (C), Resendez, Roth, Stewart, West <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>	FINANCE West (C), Stewart (VC), Gracey, M. Johnson, Moreno, Resendez, Willis <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS Mendelsohn (C), M. Johnson, Moreno, Ridley, Stewart <p style="text-align: right;">* Assigned: 07/17/25</p>	HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS Mendelsohn (C), Blair (VC), Bazaldua, Gracey, Moreno, Resendez, Willis <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS Stewart (C), Blackmon, M. Johnson, Mendelsohn, Moreno, Resendez, Roth, West, Willis <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>	PUBLIC SAFETY Mendelsohn (C), Moreno (VC), Cadena, M. Johnson, Resendez, Roth, Stewart <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL SPORTS RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION West (C), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Blair, Cadena, Resendez, Ridley <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>	QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE Gracey (C), Cadena (VC), Bazaldua, Ridley, Roth, West, Willis <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
	TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE Ridley (C), Roth (VC), Blackmon, Blair, Cadena, Gracey, Mendelsohn <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>
	GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY M. Johnson (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Bazaldua, Blackmon, Resendez, Ridley, Roth <p style="text-align: right;">**Assigned: 08/29/25</p>

(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair

* Assigned: 07/17/25

**Assigned: 08/29/25

Note: A quorum of the Dallas City Council may attend this Council Committee meeting.

General Information

The Dallas Council Committees regularly meet on Mondays beginning at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 6th floor, City Hall, 1500 Marilla. Council Committee agenda meetings are broadcast live on bit.ly/cityofdallastv and on Time Warner City Cable Channel 16.

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City Council meetings bring together citizens of many varied interests and ideas. To insure fairness and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules of courtesy which apply to all members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. These procedures provide:

- That no one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings, or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- All persons should refrain from private conversation, eating, drinking and smoking while in the Council Chamber.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Chamber.
- No cellular phones or audible beepers allowed in Council Chamber while City Council is in session.

"Citizens and other visitors attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of propriety, decorum and good conduct applicable to members of the City Council. Any person making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the City Council or while attending the City Council meeting shall be removed from the room if the sergeant-at-arms is so directed by the presiding officer, and the person shall be barred from further audience before the City Council during that session of the City Council. If the presiding officer fails to act, any member of the City Council may move to require enforcement of the rules, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council shall require the presiding officer to act." Section 3.3(c) of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

Información General

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Reglas de Cortesía

Las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal reúnen a ciudadanos de diversos intereses e ideologías. Para asegurar la imparcialidad y el orden durante las asambleas, el Ayuntamiento ha adoptado ciertas reglas de cortesía que aplican a todos los miembros del Ayuntamiento, al personal administrativo, personal de los medios de comunicación, a los ciudadanos, y a visitantes. Estos reglamentos establecen lo siguiente:

- Ninguna persona retrasará o interrumpirá los procedimientos, o se negará a obedecer las órdenes del oficial que preside la asamblea.
- Todas las personas deben abstenerse de entablar conversaciones, comer, beber y fumar dentro de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- Anuncios y pancartas deben permanecer fuera de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- No se permite usar teléfonos celulares o enlaces electrónicos (*paggers*) audibles en la cámara del Ayuntamiento durante audiencias del Ayuntamiento Municipal

"Los ciudadanos y visitantes presentes durante las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal deben de obedecer las mismas reglas de comportamiento, decoro y buena conducta que se aplican a los miembros del Ayuntamiento Municipal. Cualquier persona que haga comentarios impertinentes, utilice vocabulario obsceno o difamatorio, o que al dirigirse al Ayuntamiento lo haga en forma escandalosa, o si causa disturbio durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento Municipal, será expulsada de la cámara si el oficial que este presidiendo la asamblea así lo ordena. Además, se le prohibirá continuar participando en la audiencia ante el Ayuntamiento Municipal. Si el oficial que preside la asamblea no toma acción, cualquier otro miembro del Ayuntamiento Municipal puede tomar medidas para hacer cumplir las reglas establecidas, y el voto afirmativo de la mayoría del Ayuntamiento Municipal precisará al oficial que este presidiendo la sesión a tomar acción." Según la sección 3.3 (c) de las reglas de procedimientos del Ayuntamiento.

Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings of Governmental Entities

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

"Pursuant to Section 46.03, Penal Code (places weapons prohibited), a person may not carry a firearm or other weapon into any open meeting on this property."

"De conformidad con la Sección 46.03, Código Penal (coloca armas prohibidas), una persona no puede llevar un arma de fuego u otra arma a ninguna reunión abierta en esta propiedad."

This Special Called Joint Meeting of the Public Safety and Government Efficiency Committee meeting will be held by video conference and in the Council Chambers, 6th Floor at City Hall. Individuals who wish to speak in accordance with the City Council Rules may register with the [City Secretary's Office](#).

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The Public may attend the meeting virtually; however, City Hall is available for those wishing to attend the meeting in person.

The meeting will be broadcast live on Spectrum Cable Channel 16 and online at bit.ly/cityofdallastv. The public may also listen to the meeting as an attendee at the following video conference link:

<https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/j.php?MTID=m53f192db94fa6340fcbe866b66e651cf>

Call to Order

1. 25-3152A Public Comment to Discussion/Action Item A

DISCUSSION /ACTION ITEMS

- A. 25-3150A Discussion of the City's Potential Participation in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's 287(g) Program, and Acceptance of Associated Federal Funds
[Cara Mendelsohn, Public Safety Chair, Maxie Johnson, Government Efficiency Chair, Daniel C. Comeaux, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department]

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.071]
2. deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.072]
3. deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.073]
4. deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.074]
5. deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code § 551.076]
6. discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code § 551.087]
7. deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code § 551.089]
8. deliberating cybersecurity measures, policies, or contracts solely intended to protect a critical infrastructure facility. [Tex. Gov't Code § 551.0761]

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EXHIBIT B

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

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Item 1: Public Comment to Discussion/Action Item A

The following individuals addressed the committee on the item:

David Wilson, 4206 Goodfellow Dr
John Wiley Price, 500 Elm St
Joey Darwin, 10651 Steppington Dr
Jerry Figueroa, 2220 W. Clarendon Dr
Janet Morrison-Lane, 2831 Whitewood Dr
Christine Hopkins, 1118 Elmwood Blvd
Melinda Fagin, 7138 Wildgrove Ave
Alyx Scott, 6472 Trammel Dr
Hasani Burton, 3839 McKinney Ave
Angela Kutac, 1552 San Saba Dr
Anthony Lazon Conde, 5218 Columbia Ave
Kevin Winters, 5726 Glen Heathers Dr
Jennifer Walker, 3909 Wycliff Ave
Laura Jekot, 7015 La Vista Dr
Jean Lamberty, 503 Josephine St
Violeta Gallardo Montejano, 1310 Melbourne Ave
Bogdan Laurentiu, 1669 Mary St
Rawlins Gilliland, 7342 Eccles Dr
Stephanie Drenka, 5614 Abrams Rd
Victor Macias, 6625 Oleta Dr
Micaela Watkins, 2275 Hawes Ave
Jill Cochran, 7575 Benedict Dr
Nohelli Estrada, 12500 Merit Dr
Payton Jackson, 123 Main St
Domonique Alexander, 2512 E. Overton Rd
Anthony Bridges, 11109 Joymeadow Dr
Jessica Suarez, 2019 Bayside St
Elizabeth Green, 2330 Greenland Dr
Jane Corley, 10549 Estate Ln
Loreta Peebles, 6318 Richmond Ave
Arielle George, 5880 Bernal Dr
Taylor Jones, 5946 Prospect Ave
Jedidiah Ullrich, 6162 Maple Ave
Erika Vargas Estrada, 8827 Gaston Pkwy
Oscar Cetina, 1023 Fernwood Ave
Victoria Leiato, 6028 Spring Glen Dr
Ramiro Luna Hinojosa, 2206 Melbourne Ave
Lucy Bocanegra, 918 Parksdale Dr
Bill Sanderson, 8006 Hume Dr
Roy Lopez, 4326 Meadowdale Ln
Felix Saucedo, 6729 Santa Maria Ln
John Putnam, 9117 Seagrove Dr

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The following individuals addressed the committee on the item:

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Diane Benjamin, 6530 Waggoner Dr.
Anna Nunez, 8308 Lullwater Dr
Michelle Bond, 7775 Firefall Way
Nora Soto, 1418 Claude St
Scott Dillion VanWinkle, 1428 E. Waco Ave
Miriam Sharma, 7005 Whitehill St
Ramon Mejia, 2535 Wilton Ave
Richard Brownjohn, 6334 Belmont Ave
Veronica Alvarez, 1914 Mountain Lake Rd.
Radhika Dani, 5657 Meadow Crest Dr
Martha Hernandez, 1024 Comal St
Luis Mata, 2923 Michigan Ave
Jacquelyn Law, 2530 Reagan St
Martha Luis, 920 Ironwood Ct
Zeeshan Hafeez, 827 Redondo
Liz Mendoza, 1223 St. Regis Dr
Joshua McNair, 809 Brookshire Cir
Julio Acosta, 1644 Blackstone Dr
Itzayana Bedolla, 8100 Colbi Ln
Arthur Fleming, 822 Westover Dr
Davrien Lambert, 2702 Branch Oaks Dr
Gregorio Heise, 8200 Glenn Day Dr
Blake Van Wicklen, 7926 N. MacArthur Blvd
Azael Alvarez, Not Provided
Xavier Heim, Not Provided
Jennifer Sanchez, Not Provided
Tina Malone, Not Provided
Cristal Martinez-Alvizo, Not Provided
Teresa Benavides, Not Provided

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DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Item A: Discussion of the City's Potential Participation in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's 287(g) Program, and Acceptance of Associated Federal Funds

The following individuals briefed the committee on the item:

- Cara Mendelsohn, Public Safety Chair,
- Maxie Johnson, Government Efficiency Chair,
- Daniel C. Comeaux, Chief of Police, Dallas Police Department;
- Kim Tolbert, City Manager, City Manager's Office;
- Tammy Palomino, City Attorney's Office; City Attorney's Office;
- Pavala Armstrong, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office;
- Officer Francis, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and
- Fern Ivey, 287(g) Program Manager, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Councilmember Blackmon moved a recommendation that the city council does not participate in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's 287(g) Program.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Bazaldua.

During discussion, Councilmember Bazaldua moved a subsidiary motion to postpone the item indefinitely.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Blackmon and unanimously postponed.

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EXHIBIT C

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE October 31, 2025

TO Joint Meeting of the Public Safety and Government Efficiency Committees

SUBJECT **Commitment to Public Safety**

In preparation for the November 6th joint meeting of the Public Safety and Government Efficiency Committees, I am submitting this memorandum to provide an overview of the focus of the Dallas Police Department (DPD) and my recent decisions regarding the Immigration and National Act Section 287 (g) Program. In keeping with the goal of becoming the safest large city in the United States, DPD is committed to serving Dallas by responding to 9-1-1 calls and proactively targeting violent criminals. As communicated in our public statement, and as we have always done, we will continue to work with and provide assistance to our federal, state and local law enforcement partners and will not prevent any law enforcement agency from conducting lawful activity in Dallas.

As Police Chief, I am proud of the following accomplishments over the last six months working alongside the U.S. Marshal Service, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI):

- DPD conducted Operation Justice Trail and Mission Survivor Justice, targeting violent fugitives with felony warrants and those who committed sex crimes. Combined 467 fugitives were arrested, whose arrest histories total over 2,300 prior arrests
- Year-to-date, DPD officers assigned to federal task forces seized
 - More than 1,600 kilograms of methamphetamine
 - Roughly 100 kilograms of cocaine
 - 18 kilograms of heroin
 - Nearly 20 kilograms of fentanyl.
- These dangerous narcotics have a combined approximate street value of \$4,972,865.
- Year-to-date, 3,529 seized guns have been test fired, which resulted in 1,888 investigative leads being generated and sent to the ATF – that means detectives in Dallas and across the country have new leads to close cases and bring justice to victims of gun crimes.
- Compared to 2024, violent crime has decreased by 14% including a nearly 32% reduction in homicides.

287(g) Program

DATE October 31, 2025
SUBJECT Commitment to Public Safety
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During my time as Dallas Police Chief, I have made it a priority to meet with community members, business leaders, and other external stakeholders who have clearly expressed their expectations for Dallas to remain committed to reducing crime, improving response times, and strengthening community policing efforts to build and sustain public trust.

Taking this into consideration, I made the decision not to become a part of the 287 (g) program. Implementing this program would reassign officers under federal oversight, which could negatively impact response times and erode the public trust that our department has worked diligently to build. Our priorities remain clear: ensuring the safety of Dallas residents, improving response times, enhancing departmental efficiency, and strengthening our recruitment and hiring efforts.

I take full responsibility for our commitment to public safety, and we continue to evaluate all opportunities for its enhancement but committing to the 287(g) Program would require an operation change away from the aforementioned goals making our city less safe. Our Department remains confident in the strong relationships we have built with our community and all law enforcement partners. I look forward to responding to any questions or concerns you may have related to DPD's participation in the 287(g) Program at the upcoming meeting.


Daniel C. Comeaux
Chief of Police

c: Kimberly Bizar Tolbert, City Manager
Tammy Palomino, City Attorney
Mark Swann, City Auditor
Biliera Johnson, City Secretary
Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge
Baron Eliason, Inspector General (I)
Dominique Artis, Chief of Public Safety
Dev Rastogi, Assistant City Manager

M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Assistant City Manager
Alina Ciocan, Assistant City Manager
Donzell Gipson, Assistant City Manager
Robin Bentley, Assistant City Manager
Jack Ireland, Chief Financial Officer
Ahmad Goree, Chief of Staff to the City Manager
Directors and Assistant Directors