

# WOODWAY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

March 23, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

The Woodway City Council met in a regular meeting in the Donald J. Baker Council Chambers at Woodway City Hall, 922 Estates Drive, Woodway, Texas, on Monday, March 23, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. The following individuals were in attendance:

Mayor:	Amine Qourzal
Mayor Pro Tem:	Storey Cook
Councilmembers:	David Russell, Janell Gilman, David Keyston, Ken Sury, Dave Whitby
Councilmembers Absent:	
City Manager:	Adam Niolet
Assistant City Manager	Jennifer Rogers
City Secretary:	Kasia Redden, City Secretary
City Staff:	Steven Dvorak, Khalil El-Halabi, Todd Gill, Jorge Segura, Hallie Hafer
Contract Staff:	David Shaw, City Attorney

## **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Qourzal called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

## **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

### 1. INVOCATION

Mayor Qourzal provided the invocation.

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag was recited in unison.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

3. THE CITY COUNCIL INVITES CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON ANY MATTER, INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, EXCEPT PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT ARE INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA. COMMENTS RELATED TO PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE HEARD WHEN THE SPECIFIC HEARING STARTS. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO THREE (3) MINUTES PER RESOLUTION R-87-11. THE COUNCIL IS NOT PERMITTED TO TAKE ANY ACTION OR DISCUSS ANY ITEM NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA. WHEN CALLED TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS, AND IF SPEAKING ON A SPECIFIC AGENDA ITEM, STATE THE ITEM BEFORE BEGINNING YOUR COMMENTS

Lori Whitsell, Woodway resident, questioned the timing of the mayor's recusal relating to the Tanglewood Estates Addition, Phase 3, plat and whether it should have also been in place for plats previously filed by the developer.

Mary Burgess, Woodway resident and Tanglewood Estates POA member, expressed concerns as a member of the POA about the approval of a plat for Phase 3 of Tanglewood Estates Addition while there are still outstanding civil matters pending between the POA and the developer.

Norm Hoffman, Woodway resident, expressed concerns over a potential local presence of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents related to recent reports of their methods of operation.

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**ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION**

4. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 16, 2026, AT 5:30 P.M.

Two corrections were made to the minutes after the agenda was posted, but prior to the meeting. Councilmember Russell made note of one of the errors, and Mayor Qourzal confirmed:

- (1) A correction to the attendance record for Councilmembers Russell and Keyston; and
- (2) A correction to Councilwoman Gilman's name on Item #4.

Councilmember Russell made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cook, that the minutes be approved as corrected. The motion carried unanimously.

5. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ON ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPLICATION TO DEVELOP IN A PLANNED DISTRICT (OFFICE SPACE) LOT 2, BLOCK F, BADGER RANCH ADDITION, TO THE CITY OF WOODWAY, MCLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS, LOCATED AT 16300 BADGER RANCH BOULEVARD

Councilmember Russell made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Gilman, to discuss the item.

City Manager Adam Niolet provided a brief introduction, and the members confirmed that the item was for acceptance only and would return to City Council after a public hearing, discussion, and recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Councilmember Keyston made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Gilman, that the Application to Develop be accepted. The motion carried unanimously.

6. A. PUBLIC HEARING ON APPROVAL OF FINAL PLAT OF THE TANGLEWOOD ESTATES ADDITION, PHASE 3, BLOCK A, LOTS 43-46; BLOCK H, LOTS 27-42; BLOCK J, LOTS 8-33; BLOCK M, LOTS 1-25; BLOCK N, LOTS 1-6; BLOCK O, LOTS 1-9 TO THE CITY OF WOODWAY, MCLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS AND BEING A PART OF THOSE TRACTS OF LAND DESCRIBED AS TRACT 6 (79.150 ACRES) IN A DEED TO WDA DEVELOPMENT, LLC, AS RECORDED IN MCLENNAN COUNTY CLERKS DOCUMENT 2018044087 OF THE OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS OF MCLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS

Having recused himself from this item due to a current business relationship with the applicant, Mayor Qourzal requested that Mayor Pro Tem Cook assume temporary leadership of the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Cook opened the public hearing at 5:42 p.m.

David Mercer, applicant and developer of Tanglewood Estates Addition, introduced himself and indicated that he was available to answer any questions.

Mary Burgess, Woodway resident and Tanglewood POA member, restated her comments from the earlier public comment period and asked that City Council disapprove the plat until the developer could come to terms with the existing POA members.

Kent Hodek, Woodway resident and Tanglewood POA member, also raised concerns about approval of Phase 3 prior to a resolution with the existing POA members.

Mayor Pro Tem Cook closed the public hearing at 5:45 p.m.

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City Manager Adam Niolet provided a brief introduction to the item.

Councilmember Keyston made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Whitby, to discuss the item.

Councilmembers and the City Attorney conversed about what was permissible for discussion based on the posted agenda, as well as whether matters mentioned during public comment/hearing could be considered in terms of the approval or denial of a plat that met all technical requirements required for its approval. Questions were answered by the developer regarding future phases.

Councilmember Sury made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Gilman, that the final plat be approved as presented. Mayor Qourzal recused and did not vote. Five members voted for approval, with Councilmember Russell voting against.

## CITY MANAGER AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

7. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT (BRIEFINGS OR UPDATES MAY BE PROVIDED REGARDING CITY SERVICES, ADMINISTRATIVE/PERSONNEL MATTERS, REAL ESTATE/DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, EVENTS, REGULATIONS, COMMUNITY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS ISSUES.)

Mr. Niolet provided the following updates:

- A brief recap of the successful Woodway Dog Day event, held March 21<sup>st</sup>.
- There is a Farmers Market survey available to the public on social media.
- The Tater Hill Tank Painting Project is ongoing and expected to be finished soon.
- Registration for WFC's April 18<sup>th</sup> Disc Golf Tournament is open.
- The WFC Senior Expo, offering information about local seniors' services, will be held on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

- Councilmember Gilman – There will be a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>, with a public hearing, discussion, and recommendation for a home occupation permit on the agenda.
- Councilmember Sury – Three members of the Youth Commission attended and participated in the Woodway Dog Day event, which was a great success.
- Councilmember Russell – Announcement about upcoming McLennan County Republican Convention

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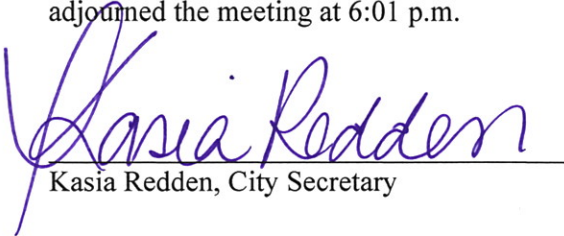
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**CLOSING ITEM**

9. CONSIDER ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Gilman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Whitby. Mayor Qourzal adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

  
Kasia Redden, City Secretary

  
Amine Qourzal, Mayor *Mayor Pro Tem*