



City Council Work Session

Monday, August 31, 2026

4:00 PM

City Hall, 129 E Memorial Dr, Dallas GA 30132

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND COMMENTS

REPORTS

Finance Committee, Mayor Kelly, Chair

- [1.](#) Finance: September 2026

Public Safety Committee, Chris Carter, Chair

- [2.](#) Police: September 2026
- [3.](#) Court: September 2026
- [4.](#) Marshal: September 2026

Economic Development Committee, Jim Henson, Chair

Transportation & Recreation Committee, Candace Callaway, Chair

- [5.](#) Theater/Civic Center: September 2026
- [6.](#) Parks & Recreation: September 2026
- [7.](#) Transportation: September 2026

Utilities & Franchises Committee, Cooper Cochran, Chair

- [8.](#) Utilities: September 2026

Community Development Committee, Leah Alls, Chair

Intergovernmental Relations Committee, Nancy Arnold, Chair

City Manager, Kendall Smith

City Attorney, Darrin Keaton

ADDITIONAL/COMMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/31/26

PRESENTED BY: Michelle Collings, Finance Department

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content):

Financial Reports

COMMENTS:

REPORT/INFORMATION:

SPLOST/LOST Report

Budget Summary Report

ACCOUNT	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	MTD ACTUAL	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
Total Revenue General Fund 100							
	Total 100 GENERAL	(16,069,649.16)	(16,039,649.16)	(160,946.89)	(11,198.47)	(15,908,702.27)	1.00
Total Expenses General Fund 100 (By Department)							
	Total 1001100 COUNCIL	341,511.00	341,511.00	87,215.84	16,625.40	254,295.16	25.50
	Total 1001400 ELECTIONS	8,000.00	8,000.00	-	-	8,000.00	0.00
	Total 1001510 ADMINISTRATION	2,139,444.50	2,139,444.50	234,771.47	111,688.22	1,904,673.03	11.00
	Total 1002650 MUNICIPAL COURT	472,210.00	472,210.00	56,901.46	25,785.34	415,308.54	12.10
	Total 1003200 POLICE	5,174,760.46	5,174,760.46	729,241.71	266,060.85	4,445,518.75	14.10
	Total 1003270 DISPATCH-100	1,127,180.00	1,127,180.00	151,096.35	60,425.77	976,083.65	13.40
	Total 1004200 HIGHWAYS & STREETS	2,280,479.20	2,250,479.20	160,991.99	69,201.71	2,089,487.21	7.20
	Total 1006200 PARKS	1,591,512.00	1,591,512.00	85,253.67	39,406.25	1,506,258.33	5.40
	Total 1006500 THEATER	864,643.00	864,643.00	104,971.44	38,708.00	759,671.56	12.10
	Total 1007220 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	398,754.00	398,754.00	63,576.82	21,694.38	335,177.18	15.90
	Total 1007250 MARSHAL'S BUREAU	499,137.00	499,137.00	68,248.14	23,985.73	430,888.86	13.70
	Total 1007410 PLANNING/ZONING	331,000.00	331,000.00	-	-	331,000.00	0.00
	Total 1007500 CIVIC CENTER	84,001.00	84,001.00	29,719.27	27,623.50	54,281.73	35.40
	Total 1007510 BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	757,017.00	757,017.00	117,226.97	39,096.43	639,790.03	15.50
		<u>16,069,649.16</u>	<u>16,039,649.16</u>	<u>1,889,215.13</u>	<u>740,301.58</u>	<u>14,150,434.03</u>	
	Total 100 GENERAL	-	-	1,728,268.24	729,103.11	(1,758,268.24)	
FUND 210							
	Total 210 CONFISCATED DRUG REVENUE	(100,000.00)	(100,000.00)	-	-	(100,000.00)	0.00
	Total 2103220 EXPENSE CRIME CONTROL	100,000.00	100,000.00	656.00	328.00	99,344.00	0.70
	Total 210 CONFISCATED DRUG	-	-	656.00	328.00	(656.00)	
FUND 272							
	Total 272 SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT REVENUE	(750,000.00)	(750,000.00)	(1,500.00)	-	(748,500.00)	0.20
	Total 272 SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT EXPENSE	750,000.00	700,000.00	3,704.22	3,704.22	696,295.78	0.50
	Total 272 SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT	-	-	2,204.22	3,704.22	(2,204.22)	
FUND 273							
	Total 273 TAX ALLOCATION DISTRICT	(340,000.00)	(340,000.00)	-	-	(340,000.00)	0.00
FUND 274							
	Total 274 STREET LIGHT DISTRICT REVENUE	(335,000.00)	(335,000.00)	5.76	-	(335,005.76)	0.00
	Total 2744260 STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	335,000.00	335,000.00	26,326.60	16,768.63	308,673.40	7.90
	Total 274 STREET LIGHT DISTRICT	-	-	26,332.36	16,768.63	(26,332.36)	
FUND 275							
	Total 275 E911 REVENUE	(280,000.00)	(280,000.00)	(16,120.02)	-	(263,879.98)	5.80
	Total 275 911 EXPENSE	280,000.00	65,000.00	-	-	65,000.00	0.00
	Total 275 E911	-	-	(16,120.02)	-	16,120.02	
FUND 310							
310-9001-0000-541350-	CITY HALL RENO	-	-	397,582.16	397,582.16	(397,582.16)	100.00
	Total 3109001 URBAN REDEV/CITY OF D	-	-	397,582.16	397,582.16	(397,582.16)	100.00
	Total 310 URBAN REDEV AGENCY BOND	-	-	397,582.16	397,582.16	(397,582.16)	
FUND 329							
	Total 329 2023 SPLOST REVENUE	(4,164,430.00)	(4,164,430.00)	-	-	(4,164,430.00)	0.00
	Total 3299000 SPLOST	3,904,430.00	3,904,430.00	21,205.93	7,605.00	3,883,224.07	0.50
	Total 329 2023 SPLOST	(260,000.00)	(260,000.00)	21,205.93	7,605.00	(281,205.93)	
FUND 505							
	Total 505 WATER SEWER	(12,013,834.00)	(12,043,834.00)	(468,112.43)	(210.60)	(11,545,721.57)	3.90
	Total 5054300 SEWER	4,274,406.00	4,304,406.00	465,464.78	185,944.55	3,838,941.22	10.80
	Total 5054400 WATER	7,178,731.00	7,178,731.00	267,396.07	149,372.25	6,911,334.93	3.70
	Total 505 WATER SEWER	(560,697.00)	(560,697.00)	264,748.42	335,106.20	(795,445.42)	
FUND 540							
	Total 540 SOLID WASTE	(1,454,000.00)	(1,454,000.00)	(1,393.54)	(25.00)	(1,452,606.46)	0.10
	Total 5404520 SOLID WASTE COLLECTIO	1,430,223.00	1,430,223.00	162,396.74	84,152.73	1,267,826.26	11.40
	Total 540 SOLID WASTE	(23,777.00)	(23,777.00)	161,003.20	84,127.73	(184,780.20)	
TOTALS							
	Revenue Total	(35,559,663.16)	(35,559,663.16)	(648,067.12)	(11,434.07)	(34,911,596.04)	1.80
	Expense Total	34,635,189.16	34,635,189.16	3,234,757.63	1,586,569.12	31,400,431.53	9.30
	Grand Total	(924,474.00)	(924,474.00)	2,586,690.51	1,575,135.05	(3,511,164.51)	

SPLOST

	Fiscal Year 2024			Fiscal Year 2025			Fiscal Year 2026		
	INCOME	Special	Comparison	INCOME	Special	Comparison	INCOME	Special	Comparison
JUL	249,054.80		63,268.59	237,522.52		(11,532.28)	257,199.83		19,677.31
AUG	223,688.72		45,224.82	234,643.67		10,954.95	243,163.15		8,519.48
SEP	220,115.20		43,173.74	221,603.80		1,488.60	239,567.23		17,963.43
OCT	225,937.04		45,717.83	239,244.06		13,307.02	247,626.89		8,382.83
NOV	230,579.89	431.47	48,796.74	245,742.60	663.25	15,162.71	258,123.73		12,381.13
DEC	270,655.10		56,393.91	288,670.48		18,015.38	302,580.42		13,909.94
JAN	218,862.96		55,607.08	223,071.32		4,208.36	231,957.99		8,886.67
FEB	225,765.65		67,534.99	219,317.64		(6,448.01)	224,702.30		5,384.66
MAR	233,017.26		50,762.81	242,798.61		9,781.35	256,906.37		14,107.76
APR	224,940.96		5,938.85	240,808.44		15,867.48	258,920.44		18,112.00
MAY	245,633.60	571.66	41,986.37	242,637.88		(2,995.72)	266,239.90		23,602.02
JUN	235,896.36		12,143.70	241,026.61		5,130.25	266,083.39		25,056.78
TOTAL	2,804,147.54	1,003.13	536,549.43	2,877,087.63	663.25	72,940.09	3,053,071.64	0.00	175,984.01
	TOTAL	2024	2,805,150.67	TOTAL	2025	2,877,750.88	TOTAL	2026	3,053,071.64
						Splost 2026 exceeds 2025 (negative number means less than)		175,984.01	
						Splost & Lost 2026 exceeds 2025 by (negative number means less than)		400,160.40	

LOST									
	Fiscal Year 2024			Fiscal Year 2025			Fiscal Year 2026		
	INCOME	Special	Comparison	INCOME	Special	Comparison	INCOME	Special	Comparison
JUL	316,447.26		29,188.65	304,738.05		(11,709.21)	329,993.49		25,255.44
AUG	287,218.62		29,188.65	301,367.28		14,148.66	312,019.38		10,652.10
SEP	282,447.78		25,399.15	284,368.55		1,920.77	307,517.63		23,149.08
OCT	289,734.52		25,372.89	307,030.30		17,295.78	317,793.15		10,762.85
NOV	296,696.35	579.43	31,951.02	315,337.24	851.88	18,640.89	329,596.34	1,615.55	15,022.77
DEC	347,388.13		36,213.22	370,439.02		23,050.89	388,351.49		17,912.47
JAN	280,708.31		24,079.20	286,129.33		5,421.02	297,639.44		11,510.11
FEB	289,798.29		40,756.45	281,418.99		(8,379.30)	288,379.99		6,961.00
MAR	289,709.68		1,496.98	311,286.70		21,577.02	329,697.83		18,411.13
APR	288,811.83		7,987.08	308,921.34		20,109.51	332,278.68		23,357.34
MAY	315,192.49	736.72	27,285.70	310,998.93	332.03	(4,193.56)	341,176.41	422.08	30,267.53
JUN	302,765.80		13,919.52	309,360.02		6,594.22	340,274.59		30,914.57
TOTAL	3,586,919.06	1,316.15	292,838.51	3,691,395.75	1,183.91	104,476.69	3,914,718.42	2,037.63	224,176.39
TOTAL	2024		2,954,766.22	TOTAL	2025	3,692,579.66	TOTAL	2026	3,916,756.05
Lost 2026 exceeds 2025 by 224,176.39									

	August 2026	August 2025	2026 YTD	2025 YTD
Calls for Service	1,959	2,886	19,798	22,970
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	1	1
Agg. Assault	0	0	6	3
Burglary	0	0	3	4
Larceny	7	13	55	58
Vehicle Theft	0	1	4	3
City Ordinances	10	3	81	57
Citations	161	305	1,914	3,124



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 8/312026

PRESENTED BY:

LeAnn Adams-Court Services

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

September-2026

REPORT/INFORMATION:

Arraignments-1

Trials-1

Bind-overs-3

Processed Traffic Citations-226

Processed City Ordinances-10

Processed Parking Citations-12

Warrants Issued-VOP-0, FTA-3

Warrants Served-VOP-1, FTA-6



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 31, 2026

PRESENTED BY: Chief Marshal Hester - Marshal's Bureau

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content):

Cases from July 24, 2026 to August 21, 2026 for the August 31, 2026 meeting

COMMENTS: September 2026 Meeting being held August 31, 2026 due to Labor Day Holiday

REPORT/INFORMATION:

Agency Assist	4
Alcohol Related Calls	12
Animal calls	10
Bank Deposit	21
Building	1
Business License Inspection/Violation	3
Criminal Offenses	1
Demolition	1
Document Processing	2
Environmental Health	1
Garbage & Litter	15
Homeless	2
Illegal Dumping	8
Junk Vehicles	5
Noise Violation	1
Right of Way Violation	1
Road Hazard	1
Security Checks	3
Sign Violation	1
Solicitor Violation	4
Special Detail – (City Event Prep Assistance)	1
Traffic and Vehicles	11
Vegetation	10
Zoning Violation	2
TOTAL:	121



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 8/31/2026

PRESENTED BY: Emily Shipp, Dallas Theater and Civic Center

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content) :

September 2026

COMMENTS:

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REPORT/INFORMATION:

- A1A on 8/15 was a total sellout!
- Chi-Town Transit Authority on 9/12: 4p show is over 200 sold and the 7p is 500 sold
- We had almost 50 kids come out for our Miss Nelson is Missing Auditions!
- The new Civic Center floor looks fantastic!



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/31/2026

PRESENTED BY: Brandon Rakestraw, Public Works Director

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content):

September 2026– Parks and Recreation

COMMENTS:

Update:

- 1- Baseball – Fall Season:
 - a. *Fall season start date is September 8, 2026*
- 2- Current Master Plan activities:
 - a. *Baseball/Playground Lighting Update*
 - i. *GA Power – Lighting Installation: Construction is on-going*
 - b. *Baseball/Grounds Update:*
 - i. *Baseball Field / Dog Park / Parking project*
 1. *Bid release date: Thursday, September 17, 2026*
 - a. *Bid due date: Thursday, October 22, 2026*
- 3- Battlefield Trail Phase III – Engineering/Design/Environmental
 - a. *Project Design:*
 - i. *Concept design is on-going*
 - ii. *Survey entry letters are being mailed out*
- 4- Other construction activities, grounds update, and design activities are being scheduled.

Updates will be provided in the coming months.

REPORT/INFORMATION:



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/31/2026

PRESENTED BY: Brandon Rakestraw, Public Works Director

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content):

September 2026 – Transportation Report

COMMENTS:

Project Update:

- 1- Old Acworth & Veterans Road Culvert Replacement Project – Bid No. 2026-05
 - a. Construction Phase:
 - i. Pre-construction Meeting
 1. Being scheduled for second week of September 2026.
 - ii. Construction
 1. NTP - Construction scheduled for third week of September 2026.
 2. Substantial Completion – November 5, 2026
 3. Final Completion – November 26, 2026
- 2- FY27 Landscape Maintenance Contract – Bid No. 2026-07
 - a. Contract Bid:
 - i. Bid opening scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2026
 - b. Contract Award:
 - i. Scheduled for October 5, 2026,
- 3- FY27 (LMIG) Local Maintenance Improvement Grant & (Sup LMIG) Supplemental Local Maintenance Improvement Grant Paving Project – Bid No. 2026-08
 - a. Project Bid:
 - i. Bid opening scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2026

- b. *Project Award:*
 - i. *Scheduled for October 5, 2026*
- c. *Construction:*
 - i. *NTP - Construction scheduled for third week of October 2026.*
 - ii. *Substantial Completion – November 26, 2026*
 - iii. *Final Completion – December 11, 2026*

Street Department:

Currently working to complete street and storm water projects. Crews are transitioned into spring/summer season maintenance, along with completing ditch maintenance and right of way cleanup. Street sweeping activities are continuing, along with daily work orders, and working on budgeted small projects.

REPORT/INFORMATION:



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 08/31/2026

PRESENTED BY: *Brandon Rakestraw, Public Works Director*

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION (Agenda Content):

September 2026- Utility Report

COMMENTS:

Project Update:

1- West Dallas Collector Sewer Extension Project

a. Phase I:

- i. *Warranty Inspection – Scheduled for August 26, 2026*
- ii. *Additional Screening Equipment – Huber Wash Press*
 1. *Installation schedule is to be provided upon receipt of expected equipment delivery.*

b. Phase 2A:

- i. *Infrastructure installation complete*
 1. *Manhole No. 22 to Manhole No. 30*
- ii. *Construction On-going:*
 1. *Manhole No. 31 to Manhole No. 32*
 2. *36" jack and bore under Pumpkinvine Creek underway*

c. *Decommissioning of Kades Cove Lift Station*

- i. *NTP – Construction scheduled for end of September*

d. *Decommissioning of Highlands North Lift Station*

- i. *Preparing public bid package.*

2- Downtown Water System Upgrade Phase I – Bid No. 2024-04

a. *Construction Phase:*

- i. *Construction of Project – On-going*
- ii. *Substantial Completion – December 23, 2026*
- iii. *Final Completion – January 22, 2026*

3- Head Place Sanitary Sewer Ariel Creek Crossing Replacement – Bid No. 2026-01

a. *Construction Phase:*

- i. *Pre-construction Meeting:*
 - 1. *Being scheduled for second week of September 2026.*
- ii. *Construction:*
 - 1. *NTP - Construction scheduled for third week of September 2026.*
 - 2. *Substantial Completion – November 5, 2026*
 - 3. *Final Completion – November 26, 2026*

4- Wildwood Utility Replacement Project – Bid No. 2018-14

a. *Construction:*

- i. *NTP – Construction issued August 24, 2026*
- ii. *Substantial Completion – November 22, 2026*
- iii. *Final Completion – December 22, 2026*

Sewer Department:

Currently working on yearly maintenance of collection system, completing several lift station repair/upgrade projects, sewer easement cutting, daily work orders, and working on budgeted small projects.

Water Department:

Currently working on meter maintenance, completing hydrant maintenance, valve maintenance, flushing program, daily work orders, and working on budgeted small projects.

Solid Waste Department:

Currently working on daily pickups, trash can replacement, trash can repair, and daily work orders.

REPORT/INFORMATION: