

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL OF DEL CITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 6, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.  
3701 SE 15<sup>th</sup> Street – City Hall

(Agenda posted on the council bulletin board at 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2026.)

**1. Call to Order:** at 6:00 PM by **Acting Mayor Pam Finch.**

**2. Roll Call:**

In Attendance: Council Members Scott Tatom, Claudia Browne, Michael Dean and Mayor Pam Finch.

Absent: None

City Employees: City Manager JD Hock, and City Clerk Joseph Carroll.

**3. Invocation:** Given by Councilman Michael Dean.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Councilwoman Claudia Browne.

**Proclamations / Presentations / Recognitions / Awards**

- A. Proclamation- Month of the Military Child and Purple Up! Day- Read by City Manager JD Hock.
- B. Proclamation- Autism Awareness Month. Read by Vice Mayor Pam Finch.
- C. Presentation- Safe Streets and Roads for All by John Sharp. - Presentation by John Sharp with ACOG also answered questions.

**4. Public and Council Input**

A. Public:

- Gordon Gibson 2308 Mustang –15<sup>th</sup> and Vickie traffic light cannot see until you are on it what color the light is. At the traffic lights at 15<sup>th</sup> and Townsend, you have to wait too long when you are the only vehicle present. There is a 35-foot trailer that travels through and it's tearing up our street. They also have lots of dogs that just run everywhere.
- Ellen Cotello 4017 SE 19<sup>th</sup> provided information on microchip scanners and would like to see a scanner at each fire station. Would also like to see a pet supply pantry at the fire stations.
- Walter Jacques 4832 Koelch spoke about ACOG bicycle and pedestrians' meetings. Would like to see a representative from Del City at these meetings that

can make a commitment on behalf of the city especially for possible grant opportunities.

- Lonnie Austin 923 Hisel gave a handout to the Council about the leash law in Del City and explained how Neighborhood Watch is trying to raise awareness on this matter.
- Bonnie Joiner 3601 Del Road – Del Road between Mustang and Eagle there is a truck and trailer from Mustang that tears up my yard. There is also an issue with loose dogs. Has spoken to the dog catcher, not sure if they need training but it seems like she's afraid of the dogs.

B. Council:

- Councilman Dean- Thank you to the Police and the City Manager. There was a towing company that had taken up residence over on Dentwood in Ward 1 and there were no tow trucks when he drove through today. COMCD went through the budget and the cost for the water from Thunderbird Lake should be the same if not a little bit cheaper than last year.
- Acting Mayor Pam Finch- Please remember it's not so much about just living in our community, but being united, having compassion and respect. We are a small town and all we have is each other. We are here to help. The community garden has been planted.

**MOTION: TO RECESS FROM THE DEL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO THE DEL CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.**

MOVED BY: DEAN

SECOND: BROWNE

AYES: TATOM, BROWNE, DEAN, AND ACTING MAYOR FINCH.

NAYS: NONE

**RECESS AT 6:49 P.M..**

**RECONVENE AT 7:18 P.M..**

**5. City Manager's Report**

- City Manager JD Hock acknowledge that Captain Holland retired from City of Del City after 20 plus years of service with us and is now working at Oklahoma County Sherriff's Office as his retirement gig. Thank you Captain Holland. The Neighborhood Watch Association's got together for a Blinky Blitz, we appreciate that. We are on try #3 for Old Towne Neighborhood Watch for a final try to get the neighborhood watch up and going. The OML Legislative Reception is coming up on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Gave the Council the quarterly revenue/ expense report and went over it.

**Departmental Reports: None**

**6. Consent Docket**

Discussion, consideration, possible action to approve the following items by unanimous consent, with one motion:

A. Minutes of the regular meeting of Council of March 16, 2026.

B. Minutes of the special meeting of Council of March 30, 2026.

**MOTION: TO APPROVE**

MOVED BY: TATOM

SECOND: BROWNE

AYES: TATOM, BROWNE, DEAN AND ACTING MAYOR FINCH.

NAYS: NONE

**7. Resignation of Mayor, Declare Vacancy**

Acceptance of the resignation of the Mayor and declare the office of Mayor vacant, effective as of March 27, 2026, pursuant the City Charter to fill the vacancy.

**MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF THE MAYOR AND DECLARE THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR VACANT EFFECTIVE MARCH 27, 2026.**

MOVED BY: DEAN

SECOND: BROWNE

AYES: TATOM, BROWNE, DEAN AND ACTING MAYOR FINCH.

NAYS: NONE

**8. Discussion Only – Parks and Public Spaces**

Discussion only regarding parks and public spaces within the city, including maintenance, improvements, usage, and future planning.

- City Manager JD Hock gave presentation on Parks and Public spaces and how it will be a pilot program to see how it goes with it operating on its own. There are some special projects that need attention that will be some of the focus for this. Also answered questions.
- Acting Mayor Finch asked if they ever thought about having a part time horticulturist for that. City Manager Hock said that is a previous position that our hotel/ motel tax helped fund and they can look into that.
- Councilman Tatom said that the metal roofing around the pool was an agenda item a few weeks back and asked for an update. City Manager Hock said that one of the quotes included a metal that wasn't thick enough so they are asking for additional quotes that will uphold to the weather. Councilman Dean asked how much is it to

go back with the canvas instead of moving forward with different material. Would like to see actions instead of hearing a lot of ideas for projects without any movement or action on the projects.

- Councilman Browne asked who is the Parks and Public Spaces and who will be actually doing the work. Thinks that the welcome signs in Del City would be an easy starting point and would be a good one to get done.
- City Manager Hock recaps the three main focuses should be the metal roofing at the pool, the rubber mulch at all the parks and the entry signs for the city.

## **9. Council Input-**

- Councilman Dean asked if the soccer fields are being used. The AYSO has been using these fields.
- Councilman Browne asked if we could have traffic engineers look at Vickie.

## **10. Adjournment**

**MOTION: TO ADJOURN AT 8:03 P.M.**

MOVED BY: DEAN

SECOND: BROWNE

AYES: TATOM, BROWNE, DEAN AND ACTING MAYOR FINCH.

NAYS: NONE

Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026.