



**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
June 22, 2026**

Present:

Clay Parker, Mayor

Leo Whelchel, Mayor Pro Tem

Councilmembers:

Paula Coggin

Kelly Gerber

Gail Ku'uipo Hoffmeister

City Staff:

Anita Griffith, City Secretary

Public Works Leader, James Anderson

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present

With a quorum of the Council members present, the meeting of the Redwater City Council was called to order by Mayor Clay Parker, at 6:05 pm on Monday, June 22, 2026, in the Community Center at Redwater City Hall, 120 Redwater Blvd. W, Redwater, TX. Invocation and Pledge led by Councilmember Paula Coggin.

Public Comments—Open Forum

None

Executive Session

Council adjourned into closed session at 6:15 pm in accordance with the Texas Government Code 551.074 discussion of personnel and hiring matters.

Reconvene

The Council reconvened into open session at 6:24 pm.

(a) Take action on item discussed in Executive Session

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel, and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed hiring Loren Morphew

for the City Administrator with a starting salary of \$53,000 along with a 90 day probationary period. The motion carried.

Reports

- (a) Clay Parker, Mayor
 - Brief update on the status of grants, none approved at this time, but waiting to hear more.
 - MTG is working with Riverbend to hopefully get the permit reinstated.
- (b) Public Works Leader – James Anderson
 - Provided the Council with a June 2026 workload/worksheet
 - Water Leaks - - 2
 - Water Taps ----1
 - Locates - -6
 - Replaced registers on meters that have not been reading correctly, Elevated collector back online, Work Orders, Monthly meter reads, mowed as weather permitted.

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed, approving and adopting the consent agenda as follows:

- (a) **Approval of the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on May 18, 2026**
- (b) **Approval of accounts payable for May 2026**

The motion carried

Authorization by Council

- (a) **Appoint one council member to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore for the term of one year**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Coggin, and a second by Councilmember Hoffmeister, the council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed, approving Whelchel as the Mayor Pro Tempore for the term of one year. The motion carried.

- (b) **Appoint one council member to approve solicitation permits for a one-year term**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel and a second by Councilmember Coggin, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed appointing Councilmember Fischer to approve solicitation permits. The motion carried

- (c) **Discuss and take action on employee health insurance coverage for FY 2026 / 2027**

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MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Gerber, and a second by Councilmember Hoffmeister, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed continuing the same coverage as the current coverage with the employees absorbing a 30% increase from their previous 20%. The motion carried.

(d) **Discuss and take action on the RIDC officers**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Gerber, and a second by Councilmember Whelchel, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed tabling until a later date. The motion carried.

Other Business

(a) **Discuss and set date, time, and place for the annual holiday dinner**

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Whelchel, and a second by Councilmember Hoffmeister, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed having the annual holiday dinner as early in December as possible and to look at having either at Twisted Fork or Ironwood Grill. The motion carried.

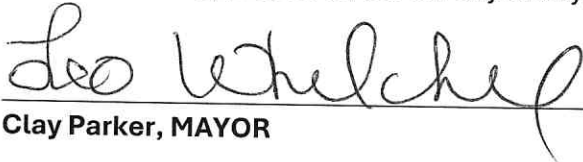
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/FUTURE BUSINESS

- (a) RIDC officers
- (b) Tex-America –Redwater Representative

Adjournment

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Councilmember Gerber, and a second by Councilmember Hoffmeister, the Council voted three (3) for and none (0) opposed adjourning the regular meeting of the Redwater City Council at 6:53 pm on Monday, June 22, 2026. The motion carried..

These minutes approved on the 6th day of July, 2026.


Clay Parker, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Anita Griffith, CITY SECRETARY

