

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Lisa Swint
Mayor Pro-Tem Kelly Smith
Councilmember Jim Mueller
Councilmember Krendra Harralson
Councilmember Todd Arvidson

Councilmembers Absent:

Councilmember Brian Reyes

City Staff Present:

Ryan Rapelye, City Manager
Marisa Spencer, City Secretary
Cyndi Simmons, Assistant City Secretary
Ron Eberhardt, Chief of Police
Robyn Achu, Finance/HR Director
Eric Lowman, Public Facilities Foreman
Duane Scognio, Utilities Foreman
Linda Crosland, Library Director

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

With a quorum of the City Councilmembers present, Mayor Swint called the special meeting of the Garden Ridge City Council to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Swint led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

3. Citizen Comment Period

No one signed up to speak.

4. Approvals and Authorizations

The following items are for discussion and consideration.

a) Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge.

City Manager Ryan Rapelye stated the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budgets were filed with the City Secretary on Friday, August 1, 2025, in compliance with Texas Local Government Code and Truth-in-Taxation laws.

City Manager Ryan Rapelye reviewed the Fiscal Year 2026 Proposed Budgets for the City of Garden Ridge and addressed questions from Councilmembers.

b) 2025 No-New-Revenue, Voter-Approval, and De Minimis Tax Rate Calculations.

City Manager Ryan Rapelye and Finance/HR Director Robyn Achu reviewed the 2025 Tax Rate Calculations and addressed questions from Councilmembers.

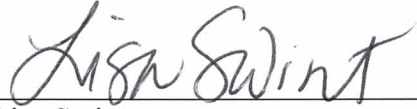
5. Citizen Comment Period

Bruce Stapp, 9297 Cinchona Trail, spoke regarding the Garden Ridge Library.

John Andrews, 9403 Gloxinia Drive, spoke regarding the budget and tax rate.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Tuesday, August 5, 2025, City Council special meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m. by Mayor Swint.



Lisa Swint
Mayor

ATTEST



Marisa Spencer
City Secretary