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The Water Commission will meet in a regular session on Tuesday, June 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas. This is an open meeting, open to the public, subject to the Open Meetings Law of the State of Texas, and as required by law, notice is hereby posted providing time, place, date, and agenda thereof. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are provided. Requests for accommodations or interpretative services must be made to the City Secretary 48 hours prior to this meeting.

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**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL****2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****3. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD**

The Commission welcomes citizen participation and comments at all Commission Meetings. First Citizen Comment Period: Speakers are required to sign up to speak before the meeting and shall limit their comments to three (3) minutes each. Second Citizen Comment Period: Speakers are not required to sign up to speak and shall limit their comments to two (2) minutes each. Speakers are only allowed to speak once per topic, unless also speaking during a posted Public Hearing. If you speak, you must follow these guidelines:

- 3.1. Direct your comments to the entire Commission, not to an individual member, nor to the audience.
- 3.2. Show the Commission the same respect that you would like to be shown.
- 3.3. State your name and address before your comments begin.
- 3.4. The Commission may not discuss or take action on any presented issue.
- 3.5. Topics of operational concern shall be directed to the City Manager.

*NOTE: The Texas Open Meetings Act permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting. However, any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting and any response to a question posed to the City Council is limited to either a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy. TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.042.*

**4. BUSINESS ITEMS**

The following items are for discussion, consideration, and action.

- 4.1. Minutes for March 17, 2026, Water Commission Regular Meeting.
- 4.2. Utility Department Monthly Activity Report  
Water Pumping/usage from City wells, Water system infrastructure maintenance, repairs and/or projects, and Water and/or Drought Management (current Watering Stage).
- 4.3. Items applicable to the Water Commission discussed at City Council meetings.
- 4.4. FY2027 Proposed Water Budget and Water Rate Study.
- 4.5. Wastewater Ordinance.
- 4.6. Future Agenda Items.

**5. CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD (*See Guidelines under Item 3.*)****6. ADJOURNMENT**

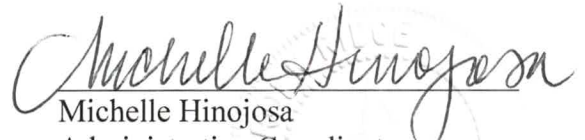
**AGENDA NOTICES:**

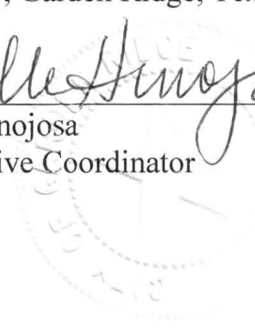
**Decorum Required:** Any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments may be ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Presiding Officer that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal.

**Action by Commission Authorized:** The Commission may vote or act upon any item within this Agenda.

**Attendance By Other Elected or Appointed Officials:** It is anticipated that members of the City Council, other city boards, commissions, and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions, and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the City Council, other boards, commissions, and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions, and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action are specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission, or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

This is to certify that I, Michelle Hinojosa, posted this Agenda at 9:30 a.m. on June 9, 2026, on the bulletin board located at the entrance to Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas.

  
Michelle Hinojosa  
Administrative Coordinator



**Commissioners Present:**

Chair William Pohl  
Vice-Chair Nathan Dorsey  
Commissioner Don Stone  
Commissioner Keven Harshbarger  
Commissioner Steven Stedman  
Commissioner Dr. Richard Carmichael  
Commissioner Brian Strickland  
Councilmember James Mueller, Ex-Officio

**Commissioners Absent:**

None

**City Staff, City Councilmembers, and Other Commissioners Present:**

Ryan Rapelye, City Manager  
Michelle Hinojosa, Administrative Coordinator  
Monica McCaslin, Utility Clerk  
Steven Steinmetz, Public Works Director  
Jason Vreeland, City Engineer

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

With a quorum of the Water Commissioners present, Chair Pohl called the regular meeting of the Garden Ridge Water Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, in the City Council Chambers of the Garden Ridge City Hall, 9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Pohl led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Citizen Comment Period**

Jesse Valdez, 9035 Cinnabar Ct, spoke regarding the Wastewater Ordinance.

**4. Business Items**

**The following items are for discussion, consideration, and/or action.**

**4.1 Approval of Minutes for January 20, 2026, Water Commission Regular Meeting.**

**Motion:** A motion was made by Commissioner Carmichael, seconded by Commissioner Stone, to approve the Minutes for the January 20, 2026, Water Commission Regular Meeting. The Commission voted six (6) for and none (0) opposed. The motion carried unanimously.

**4.2 Utility Department Monthly Activity Report.**

**Water Pumping/usage from City wells, Water system infrastructure maintenance, repairs and/or projects, and Water and/or Drought Management (current Watering Stage).**

Public Works Director Steven Steinmetz reviewed the monthly activity report and addressed questions from Commissioners.

**4.3 Items applicable to the Water Commission discussed at City Council Meetings.**

Chair Pohl provided the Commission with an update on items applicable to the Water Commission discussed at City Council Meetings.

**4.5 Wastewater Ordinance.**

City Engineer Jason Vreeland provided the Commission with an update on the status of the Wastewater Ordinance and addressed questions from Commissioners.

**4.6 Future Agenda Items**

Chair Pohl requested to receive updates related to the Wastewater Ordinance.

**5. Citizen Comment Period**

No one wished to speak.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Tuesday, March 17, 2026, Water Commission Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. by Chair Pohl.

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William Pohl  
Chair

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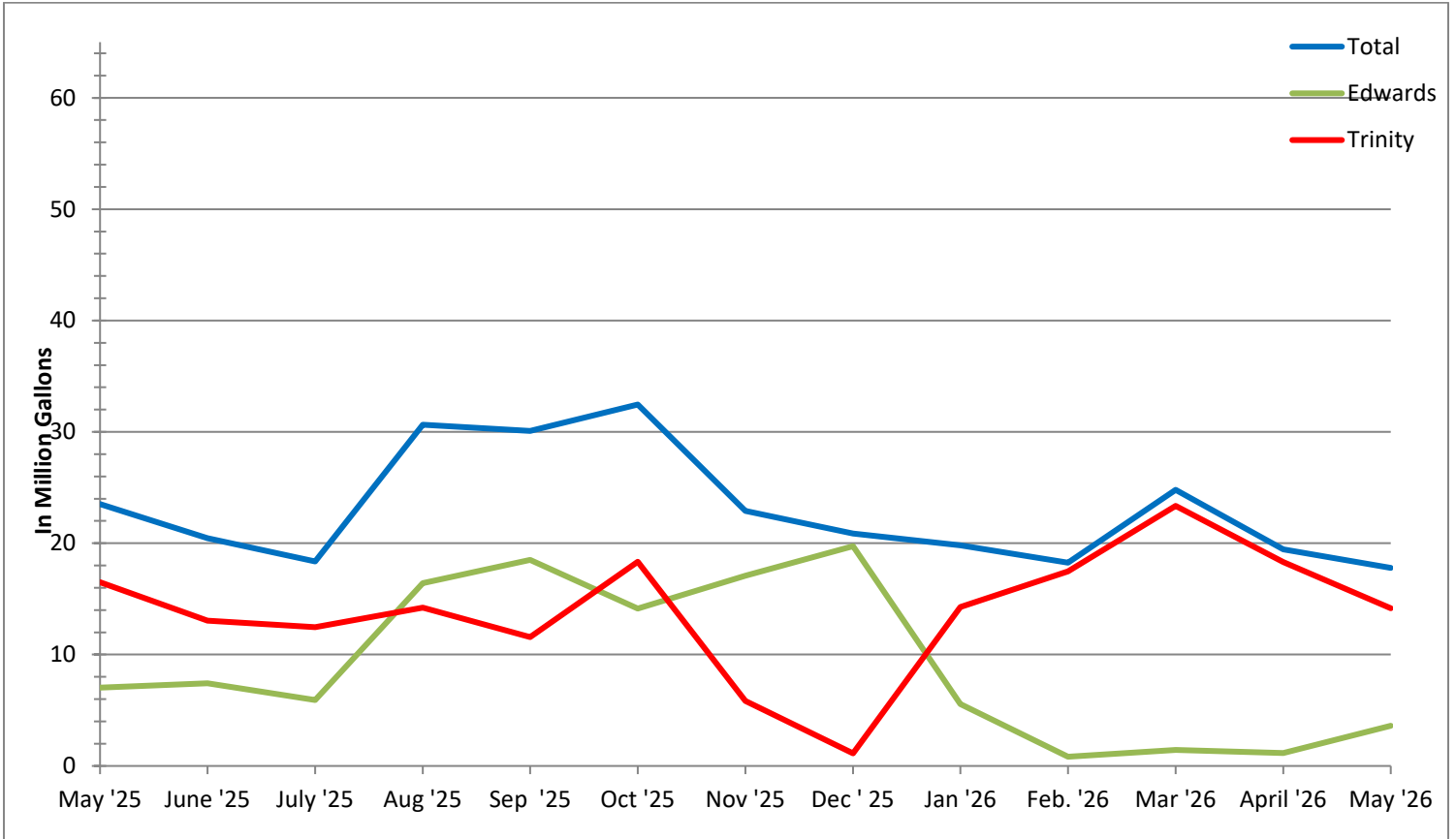
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## Utilities Department Report

As of April 30, 2026

### City of Garden Ridge Aquifer Usage

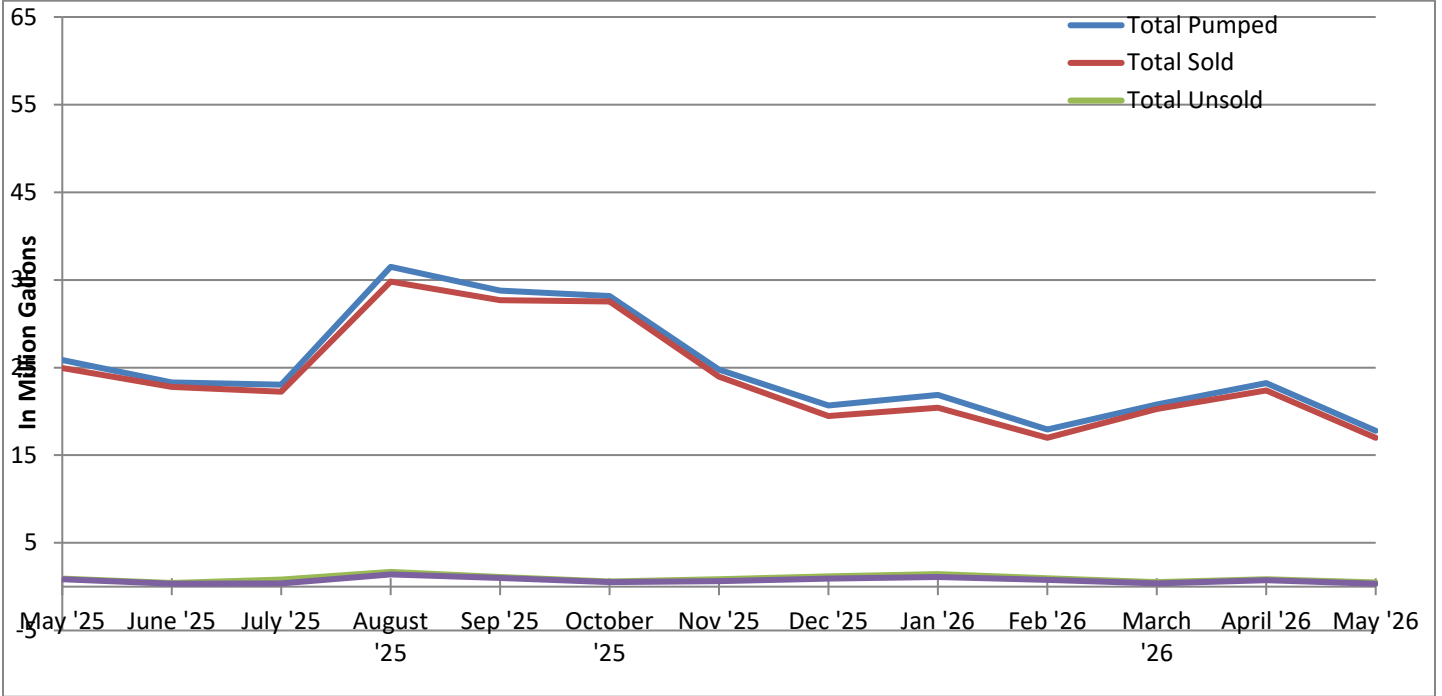


	Month:	Year:	Available:	Stage:
Edwards Well Usage AC/FT:	11.1	38.54	540.43	3
Trinity Well Usage AC/FT:	43.48	268.61	N/A	0

### Water Quality

Bacteriological Samples:	Due:	Missed:	Passed:	Failed:
Distribution samples:	6	0	6	0
Chlorine Residual test:	31	0	31	0
Special Samples:	0	0	0	0

## 2025 – 2026 Pumping Report



	<b>Total Pumped (Thousands)</b>	<b>Total Sold (Thousands)</b>	<b>Total Unsold (Thousands)</b>	<b>Unaccountable Unsold (Thousands)</b>	<b>Unaccountable Unsold %</b>
<b>May '25</b>	25,864	24,932	932	832	3.2%
<b>June '25</b>	23,291	22,784	420	333	1.8%
<b>July '25</b>	23,057	22,229	828	390	1.7%
<b>August '25</b>	36,490	34,809	1,681	1,395	3.8%
<b>September '25</b>	33,786	32,671	1,115	978	2.9%
<b>Oct '25</b>	33,144	32,549	595	507	1.5%
<b>Nov '25</b>	24,779	23,949	830	630	2.5%
<b>Dec '25</b>	20,657	19,474	1,183	936	4.5%
<b>Jan '26</b>	21,864	20,429	1,435	1,099	5.0%
<b>Feb '26</b>	17,936	16,984	952	776	4.3%
<b>March '26</b>	20,786	20,288	501	359	1.7%
<b>April '26</b>	23,246	22,389	857	721	3.1%
<b>May '26</b>	17,465	16,996	469	333	1.9%
<b>Yearly Average</b>	<b>25,132</b>	<b>23,883</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>715</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
	<b>Yearly national average</b>				<b>16%</b>

**Utilities Department Monthly Activities:**

New Installed Meters	<b>0</b>	Work Orders	<b>346</b>
Meter Replacements	<b>1</b>	Locates	<b>75</b>
City Owned Leaks	<b>0</b>	Irrigations Permits Issued	<b>0</b>
Meters Read	<b>1703</b>	Total Rebates	<b>0</b>
Meter Tests	<b>0</b>	Watering variances	<b>0</b>

**AMI Information**

**Total Portal Customers: 929**

**Meter Daily Readability Percentage: 98.03% for 1,678 assigned meters (current bill cycle)**

**Main Breaks/City Repairs: none found.**

**Estimated Water Loss:**

**Location:**

**Explanation:**

**Leak Adjustments**

New Requests	0	Waiting for Customer	1	Approved	0	Amount Approved		Denied	0	Sent to Water Commission	0
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**Employee Training/certifications**

**Eric Lowman attended pump and motor training.**