



MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Azle City Council

505 W. Main Street
Azle, Texas 76020

August 4, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Goode called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Members Present:

Mayor Randa Goode
Mayor Pro-tem Stacy Peek
Councilmember Amy Estes
Councilmember Josh Berry
Councilmember Rouel Rothenberger
Councilmember Brian Conner

Members Absent:

Councilmember Derrick Nelson

Staff Present:

Tom Muir	City Manager
Amber Beard	Assistant City Manager
Yael Hoffman	City Secretary
Will Scott	Fire Chief
Lee Godbold	Assistant Fire Chief
Ben Hall	Police Chief
Stephen Barnes	Finance Director
Angelia Garrett	Assistant Finance Director
Victor Gonzalez	Assistant Library Director

INVOCATION

Amy Collins of Son Shine Ministries gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Goode led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Years of Service recognition.

Mayor Goode recognized two outstanding employees for their dedicated service to the City of Azle. Elsie Ann Plaunty from the Police Department was honored for 25 years of service, and Steve Lemming from the Fire Department was recognized for 30 years of service. Mayor Goode expressed heartfelt gratitude to both employees for their long-term commitment, contributions, and unwavering dedication.

to the community.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Consider any action on the July 15, 2025 regular council meeting and the July 17, 2025 budget workshop.

Councilmember Rothenberger moved to approve the July 15, 2025 regular council meeting minutes and the July 17, 2025 budget workshop minutes, as presented. Councilmember Estes seconded the motion.

Yes: (6) Randa Goode, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner, Josh Berry

3. Consider any action on appointing Damon Bethurum to serve on the Building Board of Appeals (BBA) in the Place 3 position.

This item was tabled due to Council's concern about a potential conflict of interest with Mr. Bethurum serving on both the Zoning Board of Adjustment and Building Board of Appeals. Council requested additional clarification. This will be placed on the next agenda.

4. Consider any action approving the annual re-appointments to the Crime Control and Prevention District Board, Places 1, 2, 4 and 7 for a two-year term ending August 31, 2027.

Councilmember Rothenberger moved to approve the annual re-appointments to the Crime Control and Prevention District Board, Phillip Koch - Place 1, Jon Gilson - Place 2, and Damon Bethurum - Place 7, for a two-year term ending August 31, 2027, noting that Place 4 will remain vacant. Councilmember Berry seconded the motion.

Yes: (6) Randa Goode, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner, Josh Berry

5. Consider any action proposing a specific FY 2026 Property Tax Rate

Councilmember Berry moved to propose the FY 2026 property tax rate of \$0.6779927, and schedule a public hearing for August 18, 2025. Councilmember Rothenberger seconded the motion.

Yes: (6) Randa Goode, Amy Estes, Stacy Peek, Rouel Rothenberger, Brian Conner, Josh Berry

PUBLIC HEARING

6. Conduct a public hearing for the Crime Control and Prevention District's (CCPD's) proposed FY 2025-26 Budget

Mayor Goode recognized Police Chief Ben Hall, who provided an overview of the proposed Crime Control and Prevention District (CCPD) budget for Fiscal Year 2025–2026, noting this was approved by the Crime Control and Prevention District Board at their July 10, 2025 meeting.

Mayor Goode opened the public hearing at 6:42 PM.

Mayor Goode closed the public hearing at 6:43 PM.

Chief Hall addressed several questions from Council.

No Council action is needed at this time as the proposed CCPD budget will be presented along with the City's proposed budget for Council consideration later in the month.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. "No Littering" signs

Mayor Goode recognized Assistant City Manager Amber Beard, who presented several options for no littering signs. Council chose "No littering, Keep Area Clean". Ms. Beard will place an order and have them placed around the city.

ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

Request for a monthly report.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- 08-13-2025 - School starts.
- 08-16-2025 - Foam party at The FeedLot.

ADJOURNMENT

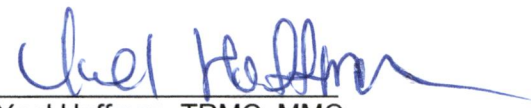
Mayor Goode adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Presented and approved on 08-18-2025.


Randa Goode, Mayor



Attest:


Yael Hoffman, TRMC, MMC
City Secretary