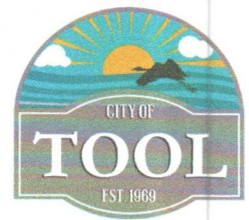


Minutes

March 20th, 2026 @ 9:00 a.m.
Special City Council / Workshop Meeting
Oran White Civic Center
701 N Tool Drive
Tool, TX 75143



1. Call to Order @ 9:00 a.m.
2. Roll Call: Bennett, Dumont, Figueroa, Salvato, Sayre, Stykes. Sayre Absent. Quorum was established with Mayor Bennett Presiding.
3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
4. Declare, if any, Council's Conflicts of Interest.
 - A. No Known Conflicts of Interest from present Council Members
5. **Citizen Comments:** Citizens wishing to speak on an agenda item must sign up to do so (**3 Minute Maximum**) *The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to City Staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item.*
 - A. None
6. **Staff Comments** - *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; Staff gives regards dealing with specific factual information or existing policy dealing within the City, that may have an impact on citizens, staff or the City Council of Tool. No formal action will be discussed or taken.*
 - A. None

Statutory Agenda - *The purpose of this section is to have full discussion upon request by the Tool City Council. Ideas, thoughts and decisions are formulated by City Council and staff plans, operations, policies, and/or future projects, including the following:*

7. Receive future workshop dates for the Tool City Council. City Administrator Kizzee stated that he would like to have quarterly Council Workshop Meetings the week of the regular City Council Meetings.
8. General Discussion on completing work on the marquee sign at Tool City Hall. A representative from Pusher Signs presented several options for replacing the entire marquee or replacing sections of the existing marquee. All Council Members agreed this was a worthwhile project and would like to place this item on a future Council Meeting agenda.
9. Receive program scheduling from the Eight at Tool 501© 3 for the current calendar year. David Moses, the Events Chairperson of the Eight at Tool, presented the list of events scheduled in the park for the 2026 calendar year. Councilmember Dumont inquired regarding concerts in the park, Councilmember Stykes inquired regarding vendor markets at the park and Councilmember Salvato stated that he liked the planned events for the park.
10. General Discussion on a future Zoning Board of Adjustments and Economic Development Corporation in the City of Tool. City Administrator Kizzee stated that he felt that the city needed either/or a Zoning Board of Adjustments and Economic Development Corporation. City Administrator Kizzee continued by discussing the types of projects that each of the boards and commissions would be in charge of. Mayor Bennett stated that an Economic Development Corporation was needed and that it was a missed opportunity that the City of Tool does not already have an Economic Development Corporation currently. Mayor Bennett continued by inquiring regarding the funding structure of an Economic

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Development Corporation to which City Attorney Blake Armstrong discussed how the funds were formed from the allocation of sales tax. Councilmember Figueroa inquired regarding if the city would be allowed to provide the Economic Development with seed money to get started to which City Attorney Armstrong stated that yes if an Economic Development Corporation was approved, the City Council could provide it with seed money as long as the funds were to provide a public purpose. Councilmember Salvato inquired if an Economic Development Corporation could search out deals for the city to which City Attorney Armstrong stated that yes, that would be allowed. All Councilmembers were in agreement that they would like to see the creation of a Planning and Zoning Board and would like to see this item on a future agenda.

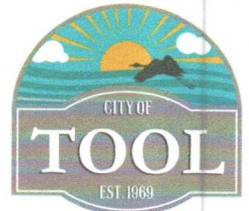
11. General Discussion on future Eight at Tool park improvements. City Administrator Kizzee stated that he was presented with the following needs/wants in the Eight at Tool Park: Shades over Playground Equipment, expanded pickleball courts, additional park equipment and a basketball court. City Administrator Kizzee further discussed bids received for shades in the park and concluded by stating that that given the cost, it would be best to go out for a grant for park shades. Mayor Bennett discussed the need for additional well service at the park and concluded by discussing the tree revitalization project at the park.
12. General Discussion on the feasibility of a planning committee for the Eight at Tool Park. Mayor Bennett stated that there was a need for a planning committee for the park which would oversee the future improvements of the park. Mayor Bennett continued by stating that she would like a member from the Eight at Tool, a Councilmember, herself as the Mayor and citizens be the members of the planning committee and concluded by requesting City Administrator Kizzee to create an application and place on the City of Tool website for people to apply. City Administrator Kizzee inquired if the planning committee would be advisory in nature to which Mayor Bennett stated that yes, this committee would only be an advisory committee to the City Council.
13. General Discussion on proposed capital projects/initiatives over the next five years. City Administrator Kizzee stated that as we head into budget season, it was now time to start planning projects for the city for the next five years. City Administrator Kizzee stated that the following ideas had been brought to him: Equipment Replacement Fund, Capital Improvement projects, facelift for the Eight at Tool park, and fire hydrants around the city to name a few. Councilmember Figueroa stated that more developments in the city should be included in the five-year plan and concluded by stating that capital projects that would give back to the citizens would also be included in a five year plan. Mayor Bennett inquired regarding the Equipment Replacement Fund. Mayor Bennett stated that drainage and bonds for the fiscal year 2026-2027 and auctioning old maintenance equipment should be included in the five-year plan.

Executive Session

14. Convene into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551 @ 10:59 a.m.
 - A. Convene into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) to receive legal advice regarding duties and responsibilities of Council members

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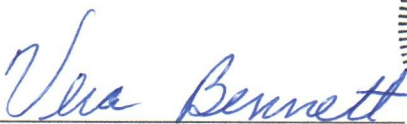


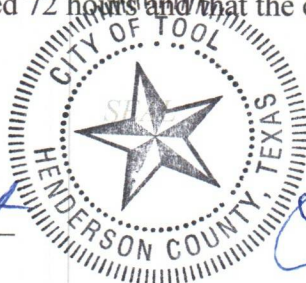
15. Reconvene in open session and take any action necessary resulting from executive session @ 11:41 a.m. No action was taken.
16. **Council Comments** - *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.*
 - A. Councilmember Dumont thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
 - B. Mayor Bennett thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
 - C. Councilmember Salvato thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
 - D. Councilmember Figueroa thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
 - E. Councilmember Stykes thanked everyone for coming to the meeting
17. **Future Agenda Items** - *The Council may request items to be placed on a future agenda at this time. No discussion or deliberation of the items may take place at this time, other than a determination of Council consensus to direct staff to place the item on a future agenda.*
 - A. Mayor Bennett asked that appointing park planning committee members be placed on the next agenda
18. **Closing**
 - A. Next Meeting: April 17th, 2026
 - B. Adjourn. Motion to Adjourn was made by Councilmember Dumont with second by Councilmember Figueroa. Motion Passed 4/0. Meeting was Adjourned @ 11:44 p.m.

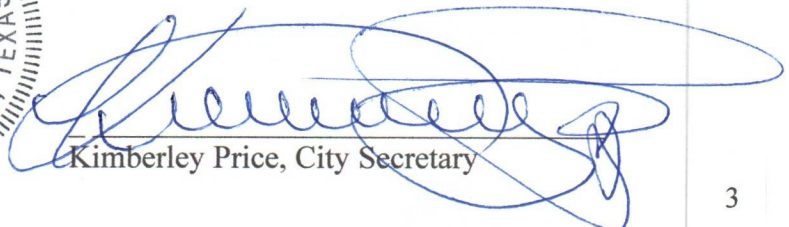
A meeting that is “open to the public”, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, is one that the public is permitted to attend. The act does not entitle the public to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items on the agenda. If the City Council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should determine that an executive session is required, then such executive session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice, concerning but not limited to the following sections and purposes of the Act: 551.071 Private consultation with the city’s attorney; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; or, 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the City Council regarding any matter considered in such executive session, then the final action, final decision or final vote shall be in the open meeting covered by this Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting.

I certify that the above notice of meeting, a true and correct copy, was posted on the bulletin board in front of Tool City Hall prior to the required 72 hours and that the city’s official newspaper was notified.

Attest:


Vera Bennett, Mayor




Kimberley Price, City Secretary