
AGENDA

The City Council of the City of Daingerfield shall meet in Special Session Monday, September 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Daingerfield Volunteer Fire Department located at 823 W.W.M. Watson Blvd. The order of business will be as follows:

1. **Call Meeting to Order.**
2. **Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.**
3. **Public Comments.**

4. **Business**

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:

- A. Deliberate and Act to approve minutes of September 9, 2024.
- B. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.
- C. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Voting to Ratify the Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Budget Pursuit to Texas Local Government Code 102.007.
- D. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Setting an Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2024.
- E. Deliberate and Act on Resolution Allowing Discounts for Early Payment of Ad Valorem Taxes

5. **Adjournment.**

Note: The City of Daingerfield reserves the right to conduct closed meetings on any agenda item in accordance with §551.071 -- §551.076 of the Government Code.



Wade Kerley, Mayor

I, Amanda Sanders, certify that the above notice of meeting was posted in a public place before 4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 13, 2024.

SEAL



Amanda Sanders, City Secretary



CITY SECRETARY'S AGENDA NOTES
September 16, 2024

2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

- 3. Public Comments.:** *At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters and matters under litigation, for length of time not to exceed three minutes. No Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with the law.*

If, at a meeting of a governmental body, a member of the public or of the governmental body inquires about a subject for which notice has not been given as required by this subchapter, the notice provisions of this subchapter do not apply to:

- (1) a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; or
- (2) a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry.

4. Business

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding

- A. Deliberate and Act to approve Minutes of September 9, 2024.** Draft Minutes can be found on pages 3-5 of your packet.
- B. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Adopting a Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025:** There have been no changes since Version 2. A copy of the ordinance is on page 6 of your packet. Note the Investment Policy is adopted at this time along with the Budget. (*must adopt the budget by roll call vote*)
- C. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Voting to Ratify the Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Budget Pursuit to Texas Local Government Code 102.007:** This vote is in addition to and separate from the vote to adopt the budget. We are mandated to have an additional and separate vote to ratify. A copy of the Ordinance is on page 7.
- D. Deliberate and Act on Ordinance Setting an Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the Year 2024.** This ordinance is on page 8, followed by a copy of the tax analysis sheet and 9. (*must adopt by roll call vote*)
- E. Deliberate and Act on Resolution Allowing Discounts for Early Payment of Ad Valorem Taxes:** If you wish to allow the discounts again this year, a copy of the required Resolution is on page 10 of your packet.

5. Adjournment

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF DAINGERFIELD
September 9, 2024

City Council Present: Mayor Wade Kerley Councilmembers David Hood, Ben Ramirez, Vicki Smith and Mike Carter
Jessie Ayers arrived at 6:17pm

Absent:

City Staff Present: City Manager Michelle Jones City Secretary/Finance Director Amanda Sanders, Fire Chief Jimmy Cornileus, Assistant Chief Travis Miller, Police Chief Tracey Climer, Patrol Officer David Ajiboye

Others: Nicole Kimball-Steel County Bee, Josh Sanders-S2F, Jim Goodman, Alyssa Haley- LifeNet, Amy Coleman- LifeNet

Mayor Kerley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Kerley gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

Public Comments: No Public Comments

4. Public Hearings

- A. **Conduct Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.** The public hearing opened at 6:01 p.m. There being no one present to speak the hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.
- B. **Conduct Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.** The public hearing opened at 6:02 p.m. There being no one present to speak the hearing was closed at 6:02 p.m.
- C. **Conduct Public Hearing FOR RE-PLAT OF 0.747 ACRE, 2 LOTS & 1 BLOCK IN THE ALLEN URQUHART SURVEY A-296, ZONED F-CENTRAL BUSINESS. AND LOCATED AT 303 WEST WM WATSON BLVD, AS REQUESTED BY MARK FOSTER, REPRESENTED BY NICHOLAS NORTHCUTT OF NORTHCUTT LAND SURVEYING.** The public hearing opened at 6:02 p.m. There being no one present to speak the hearing was closed at 6:03 p.m.
- D. **Conduct Public Hearing FOR FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION WOOD'S ESTATES, 1.44 ACRES, LOTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 BLOCK 13 OF ORIGIANL TOWN PLAT IN THE ALLEN URQUHART SURVEY, A-296, ZONED B-2ND SINGLE FAMILY, AND LOCATED W. FANNIN, N. LAMAR, W. HOUSTON AND N. PETERS, AS REQUESTED BY ERNEST JR. AND CHANDRA WOODS, REPRESENTED BY FIGUEROA CONSTRUCTION LLC.** The public hearing opened at 6:03 p.m. There being no one present to speak the hearing was closed at 6:03 p.m.

5. Consent Agenda

All Consent items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote.

- A. Deliberate and Act to Approve Minutes of August 12, 2024.** Motion made by councilmember Hood to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by councilmember Smith. Voted for by councilmember Carter and councilmember Ramirez. Motion carried.

6. Business

Discuss, Consider, and Possibly Take Action Regarding:

- A. Deliberate, Discuss and possibly act to approve the Final Re-Plat OF 0.747 ACRE, 2 LOTS & 1 BLOCK IN THE ALLEN URQUHART SURVEY A-296, ZONED F-CENTRAL BUSINESS. AND LOCATED AT 303 WEST WM WATSON BLVD, AS REQUESTED BY MARK FOSTER, REPRESENTED BY NICHOLAS NORTHCUTT OF NORTHCUTT LAND SURVEYING.** Motion made by councilmember Carter to approve the re-plat as presented. Seconded by councilmember Smith. Voted for by councilmember Hood and Ramirez. Motion carried.
- B. Deliberate, Discuss and possibly act to approve FINAL PLAT OF SUBDIVISION WOOD'S ESTATES, 1.44 ACRES, LOTS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 BLOCK 13 OF ORIGIANL TOWN PLAT IN THE ALLEN URQUHART SURVEY, A-296, ZONED B-2ND SINGLE FAMILY, AND LOCATED W. FANNIN, N. LAMAR, W. HOUSTON AND N. PETERS, AS REQUESTED BY ERNEST JR. AND CHANDRA WOODS, REPRESENTED BY FIGUEROA CONSTRUCTION LLC.** Motion made by councilmember Carter to approve the final plat as presented. Seconded by councilmember Hood. Voted for by councilmember Smith and Ramirez. Motion carried.
- C. Presentation and Discussion of the Proposed Budget Version 2 for FY 2024-2025.** No Action, Budget will be adopted at Special Meeting on September 16, 2024.
- D. Deliberate and act to Approve the City Manager opening a checking account for Daingerfield Economic Development Corporation Type B. Authorized Signatories will remain the same.** Motion made by councilmember Hood to approve the City Manager opening a checking account for Daingerfield Economic Development Corporation Type B. All signatories will remain the same. Michelle Jones-City Manager, Amanda Sanders- City Secretary, Jessie Ayers- Mayor Pro Tem and Wade Kerley-Mayor. Seconded by councilmember Ramirez. Voted for by councilmember Carter and Smith. Motion carried.
- E. Deliberate and act to Approve the City Manager opening a checking account for our Texas Community Development Block Grant (TxCDBG). Authorized Signatories will remain the same.** Motion made by councilmember Hood to approve the City Manager opening a checking account for Texas Community Development Block Grant. All signatories will remain the same. Michelle Jones-City Manager, Amanda Sanders- City Secretary, Jessie Ayers-Mayor Pro Tem and Wade Kerley-Mayor. Seconded by councilmember Smith. Voted for by councilmember Carter and Ramirez. Motion carried.
- F. Deliberate and Act on Selection of Bank Depository for Fiscal Year 2024-2029.** Motion made by councilmember Hood to award bank depository for Fiscal Year 2024-2029 to Texas Heritage National Bank. Seconded by councilmember Ramirez. Councilmember Ayers and councilmember Smith voted for. Councilmember Carter voted against. Motion carried 4 to 1.
- G. Deliberate and Possibly Act to Approve a Resolution authorizing the City of Daingerfield to participate in BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative.** Motion made by councilmember Ramirez to approve resolution authorizing the

City of Daingerfield to participate in BuyBoard National Purchasing Cooperative. Seconded by councilmember Carter. All voted for. Motion carried.

H. Deliberate and Act on Texas Municipal League Region 15 Director Election. Motion made by councilmember Ayers to elect Jesse Casey, Mayor Hallsville (Incumbent) as Texas Municipal League Region 15 Director. Seconded by councilmember Hood. All voted for. Motion Carried.

I. Deliberate, Discuss and Possibly Act on Request from LifeNet to amend the schedule of rates in the exclusive agreement between LifeNet, Inc. and the City of Daingerfield. Motion made by councilmember Carter to approve the amended schedule of rates between LifeNet and the City of Daingerfield. Seconded by councilmember Hood. All voted for. Motion carried.

J. Deliberate and Approve Increase in Voluntary Firemen's Contribution to Retirement Benefit. Motion made by councilmember Hood to increase the retirement contribution from \$50 to \$60 a month per fireman. Seconded by councilmember Carter. All voted for. Motion Carried.

K. Deliberate and act to Approve a lease to place the City's Digital Sign at 1202 Linda Drive. Motion made by councilmember Hood to approve the lease presented to place the city's digital sign at 1202 Linda Drive with the amendment made that the city would maintain the entire lot. Seconded by councilmember Ramirez. Voted for by councilmember Smith and councilmember Carter. Councilmember Ayers abstained from voting. Motion Carried.

L. Deliberate and act to Approve Resolution Authorizing application for financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board; and making certain findings in connection therewith. Motion made by councilmember Carter to approve resolution authorizing application for financial assistance from Texas Water Development Board and making certain findings in connection therewith. Seconded by councilmember Ayers. All voted for. Motion Carried.

7. Monthly Departmental Reports: *Informational reports only, no action to be taken:*

- a. Animal Shelter, Code Enforcement, EMS, Fire, Library, Municipal court, Police, Public Works
- b. Financial
- c. City Manager
 - i. Rural Water Assistance Fund, Texas Community Development Block Grant, Grant Reimbursement Process-FEMA, Texas Municipal League Annual Conference, City Projects-west lift station.

8. Monthly Boards and Commissions Minutes: *Informational reports only; no action to be taken:*

- a. Planning and Zoning Minutes for Aug 13, 2024, and September 3, 2024
- b. Economic Development Board Minutes for May 1, 2024, and July 3, 2024

9. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m. on motion by Councilmember Carter seconded by Councilmember Smith and all voted for, motion carried.

Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda Sanders, City Secretary

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025, AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR.

WHEREAS, the budget, appended here as Exhibit A, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025, was duly presented to the City Council by Michelle Jones, City Manager, and a public hearing was ordered by the City Council and a public notice of said hearing was caused to be given by the City Council and said notice was published in *The Steel Country Bee*, and said public hearing was held according to said notice; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD:

SECTION 1. That the appropriations for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025, for the support of the general government of the City of Daingerfield, Texas, be fixed and determined for said terms in accordance with the expenditures shown in the City's Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget, a copy of which is appended hereto as Exhibit A;

SECTION 2. That the Budget, as shown in words and figures in Exhibit A, is hereby approved in all respects and adopted as the City's Budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of September 2024.

Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda Sanders, City Secretary

**CITY OF DAINGERFIELD, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-2025**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD, TEXAS, RATIFYING THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 – 2025 CITY OF DAINGERFIELD, TEXAS BUDGET AS REQUIRED BY TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 102.007; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD, TEXAS:

I. Ratification of Property Tax Increase

The City of Daingerfield, Texas acting through its duly elected Council, hereby ratifies the property tax increase of 3.62 % reflected in its fiscal year 2024-2025 budget adopted by the Council at a prior vote. This ratification was adopted in a separate vote from a vote to adopt the fiscal year 2024-2025 budget and separate from a vote to set the current tax rate required by the Texas Tax Code. This vote was taken in compliance with Texas Local Government Code 102.007

II. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances

That all ordinances, orders, resolutions heretofore passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Daingerfield, Texas, are hereby repealed to the extent that said ordinances, orders, or resolutions, or parts thereof, are in conflict herewith.

III. Severability

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any valid provision of this or any other ordinance of the City of Daingerfield, Texas.

IV. Effective Date of Ordinance

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately after passage, approval and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 16TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.

Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda Sanders, City Secretary

**AN ORDINANCE LEVING A TAX RATE
FOR THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD
FOR THE TAX YEAR 2024**

BE IT ORDAINED AND ORDERED by the City Council of the City of DAINGERFIELD that:

WE, the City Council of the City of DAINGERFIELD do hereby levy or adopt the tax rate on each \$100.00 worth of property located within the present city limits of the City of DAINGERFIELD, made taxable by law, for tax year 2024 as follows:

For the General Fund.....	\$0.297845
For the purposes of paying the accrued interest and to provide a sinking fund.....	\$0.194129
TOTAL TAX RATE.....	\$0.491974

WHEREAS, these funds are necessary and appropriate for the funding of the 2024 City of DAINGERFIELD budget, and
WHEREAS, said budget has been heretofore regularly adopted by the City Council of the City of DAINGERFIELD, and
WHEREAS, all other things required by law to be done have been done properly by the appropriate officials, now therefore
IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by affirmative vote of the City Council of the City of DAINGERFIELD, Texas at a regular meeting held in the Council Chambers of the City, in the City of DAINGERFIELD on the 16TH day of September 2024.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this day.

**This year's tax levy to fund maintenance and
operations expenditures does not exceed last
year's maintenance and operations tax levy.**

THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR is hereby authorized to assess and collect the taxes of the City of DAINGERFIELD.

Date
ATTEST:

Amanda Sanders, City Secretary

Wade Kerley, Mayor

Analysis of Tax Rate

RECOMMENDED

	FY '23-'24 Assessment	FY '24-'25 No-new-Revenue Rate	FY '24-'25 Same Rate	FY '24-'25 Voter Approval Rate
Assessed Value at 100% of Value	\$ 156,678,930	\$ 164,150,140	\$ 164,150,140	\$ 164,150,140
City Tax Rate (Per \$100)	0.00491974	0.00474789	0.00491974	0.00492655
Total Levy	\$ 770,820	\$ 779,367	\$ 807,576	\$ 808,694
Estimated Collections 95%	\$ 732,279	\$ 740,399	\$ 767,197	\$ 768,259
Less 2.66% for Discounts	\$ 19,479	\$ 19,695	\$ 20,407	\$ 20,436
Effective Tax Levy	\$ 712,800	\$ 720,704	\$ 746,787	\$ 747,823

2006 - .656825

2007 - .656825

2008 - .656825

2009 - .656825

2010 - .656734

2011 - .656734

2012 - .656734

2013 - .656734

2014 - .634458

2015 - .634458

2016 - .634458

2017 - .654792

2018 - .685946

2019 - .648032

2020 - .552917

2021 - .491974

2022- .491974

2023- .491974

	Property Value	Comparison FY 24-25		Voter Approval Rate
		No-New Revenue	Same Rate	
		0.47478900	0.49197400	0.49265500
2010 - .656734	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 118.70	\$ 122.99	\$ 123.16
2011 - .656734	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 237.39	\$ 245.99	\$ 246.33
2012 - .656734	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 284.87	\$ 295.18	\$ 295.59
2013 - .656734	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 356.09	\$ 368.98	\$ 369.72
2014 - .634458	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 403.57	\$ 418.18	\$ 418.76
2015 - .634458	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 474.79	\$ 491.97	\$ 492.66
2016 - .634458	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 712.18	\$ 737.96	\$ 738.98
2017 - .654792	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 949.58	\$ 983.95	\$ 985.31

Property Value	No-New Revenue	Same Rate	Voter Approval Rate
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EXAMPLE- Median Home Value in the City limits of Daingerfield in the City limits of Daingerfield

2022	\$59,500.00		\$292.72	
2023	\$63,800.00	\$302.92	\$313.88	\$314.31

FORMULA- PROPERTY VALUE /100 * TAX RATE = ANNUAL CITY TAXES

RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND APPROVING DISCOUNTS ON
AD VALOREM TAXES PAID IN ADVANCE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, Section 31.05(b) Vernon's Annotated Texas Property Tax Code, as amended, allows discounts on ad valorem taxes if paid in advance; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Daingerfield, Texas, is of the opinion that the best interest of the City and its citizens would be served by allowing said discounts:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAINGERFIELD, TEXAS that discounts on ad valorem taxes paid in advance for the taxing year 2024 are:

- (1) three (3%) percent if the tax is paid in October or earlier;
- (2) two (2%) percent if the tax is paid in November; and
- (3) one (1%) percent if the tax is paid in December.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND SIGNED on the 16th day of September 2024.

Wade Kerley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amanda Sanders
City Secretary