

MINUTES
DETROIT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
March 2, 2026

The Detroit City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 2, 2026, at 7:01 P.M. Mayor Kenneth Snodgrass called the meeting to order. Council members in attendance were Terrie Shelby, Faye Marshall, Tonya Clanton, Grace Swain and Jennifer Garrison.

Public Comment:

S. Coan, resident, spoke on the matter of roaming dogs in Detroit after suffering injuries from dogs on her property
D. Mitchell, resident, spoke on roaming dogs and also spoke in opposition of the termination of C. Arrasmith.

New business discussed and moved upon:

- a. Emergency/warming center – Discussion only – Tim Reger, VFD Chief, Pastors and members of local churches discussed with council their availability, needs, ideas and concerns as to how they could assist or be a part of the solution.
- b. Detroit Volunteer Fire Department – Chief Tim Reger addressed the council as to the new additions (equipment and structure) to the VFD. Reger discussed the VFD's coverage, qualifications, types of assistance, funding, training, volunteers, etc
- c. Ratification of Termination of Public Utilities employee C. Arrasmith – EXECUTIVE SESSION
- d. Bank account balances reviewed
- e. Streets & Alleys – Signs at NE 3rd, 9th St are leaning (require break away poles). City Park sign is leaning. Crittenden @ 410 N needs stop sign. Moore St (E/W) @ Main St missing. Front St. striping – working with TxDOT engineers for striping approval of pull in at business and parallel along HWY 82.
- f. Discussion to update council on possible sign ordinance – email from Judge Bridges dated 01/30/26, stating that he will reach out to the proper authority for review but the current sign does not qualify under the law as obscene.

Old Business – Discuss and Take Action on:

- a. Update on status of McCurtain Memorial Hospital – Detroit Clinic – no new information as to location. Informed council of last meeting with MMH where they were given school contact as well as many local property owners that might have locations available for a readymade, portable building style clinic to move on-site, but have no location at present.
- b. Update on utility billing software: new software in place, but gWorks is stating that there would be a \$4,000 fee for a data pull to send to the new company – T.Nix has requested this to be escalated to management of gWorks.
- c. Update provided to Council regarding mediation meeting held on 03/18/26, between City and Detroit Apartments. Terms were discussed and agreed to – attorneys will draw up documents for council to approve at a later meeting.

Council exited regular session at 8:08 p.m. and entered into Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.

Consultation with Attorney § 551.071 to conduct a private consultation with its attorney related to pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, and/or a matter in which there exists a duty of the City Attorney to the governmental body under the Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas that conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551:

- a) Ratifying termination of employee C. Arrasmith

Following the closed Executive Session, the Council will reconvene in open and public session and take any such action as may be desirable or necessary as a result of the closed deliberations.

Council exited Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. and opened back into regular session at 9:31 p.m.

New business discussed and moved on:

- c. Ratification of Termination of Public Utilities Employee C. Arrasmith*

After discussion and deliberation in Executive Session and re-entering regular session, Motion was made by Faye Marshall and seconded by Grace Swain to NOT ratify the termination and to re-instate C. Arrasmith under the 90-day PIP and Last Chance Disciplinary Agreement terms (must be signed by 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026) with no back pay.

Motion carried 4-0 with Terrie Shelby abstaining.

Motion was made by Terrie Shelby and seconded by Jennifer Garrison to approve the bills:

- a) Sammy Gist Enterprises, Inc. – \$13,062.00 -- 9th Street rework
- b) Paris Farm & Ranch - \$253.63 mower service
- c) Paris Farm & Ranch - \$751.39 skid steer hydraulic repair
- d) Richard Drake Construction - \$1,428.64 – 13.83 tons cold mix
- e) Taylor's Land Clearing – \$2,000.00 - tree removal (2nd NE@Brunswick) tree trimming (2nd NE@Bennett)

Motion carried 5-0

After review, Motion was made by Faye Marshall and seconded by Terrie Shelby to approve the minutes with a correction to: add 6-month term to requirement to obtain TCEQ Class C Wastewater Operator license

Motion carried 5-0

Motion was made by Faye Marshall and seconded by Terrie Shelby to adjourn.

Motion carried 5-0