

# PLANO CITY COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 12, 2026

The regular meeting of the Plano City Council was called to order on Monday, January 12, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., by Mayor Michael Rennels in the Council Room at City Hall. Mayor Rennels led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll Call:

Stephen DeBolt	Present	John Fawver	Present
Kathy Wickens	Present	Neal Veen	Present
Tommy Johns	Present	Barb Nadeau	Present
Scott Mulliner	Present	Mark Swoboda	Present

There was a quorum.

## **MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Alderman Johns, seconded by Alderman Veen, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on December 8, 2025. A unanimous “Aye” voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

## **AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of January 12, 2026. A unanimous “Aye” voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

## **WARRANTS:**

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated December 10, 2025 in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated December 18, 2025 in the amount of \$102,324.04.

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated December 19, 2025 in the amount of \$1,955.43.

Roll Call:

Voting “Aye”: Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting “Nay”:

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated January 5, 2026 in the amount of \$35,677.44.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated January 6, 2026 in the amount of \$117,511.17.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated January 12, 2026 in the amount of \$116,166.85.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per warrant list dated January 13, 2026 in the amount of \$107,248.95.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

**WAGE REPORT:**

A motion was made by Alderman Wickens, seconded by Alderman Fawver, to accept the report of the Finance Committee and that orders are drawn on the Treasury to pay per wage report dated November 2025 in the amount of \$417,077.91.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Wickens, Fawver, DeBolt, Johns, Mulliner, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Guests and members of the press were welcomed by Mayor Rennels.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS: none**

## **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

A motion was made by Alderman Swoboda, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve waiving the special event liquor license fee for St. Mary's special event on February 7, 2026. Alderman Swoboda said this is a bingo fundraiser that is open to the public. Alderman Johns said he will abstain from voting because his daughter is on the board for this event.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Swoboda, DeBolt, Fawver, Mulliner, Nadeau, Veen, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Abstain: Johns

Motion passed.

## **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Martin Shanahan Jr.**

City Administrator Shanahan said the past week and a half, City Hall has been experiencing fluctuations and flickers which have caused problems. The city's IT company has discovered the uninterruptable power supply is in need of an upgrade, and are working on solutions.

## **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: William Thomas**

### **Resolution #2026-01 Approve buying a new digester one pump**

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to approve a resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a purchase agreement with Apex Industrial Automation for a new digester one pump in the amount of \$26,046.54. Attorney Thomas said there are three digesters set up, and this particular one is 20plus years old. Nick Rossaert said this pump is 21 years old, and went down the end of November. Nick said the cost to repair it with lead time is the same as buying a new one.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Mulliner, DeBolt, Fawver, Johns, Nadeau, Swoboda, Veen, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

## **CITY CLERK'S REPORT: Carin Martin**

Sales and related taxes for October 2025 are in the amount of \$244,514.95.

The current MFT unobligated balance for October 2025 is in the amount of \$1,826,893.76.

The Spring clean-up is the week of April 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026.

The Fall clean-up is the week of October 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

## **CITY TREASURER'S REPORT: Zoila Gomez-absent-nothing**

## **POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT: Norm Allison**

Chief Allison gave two updates. He said Sergeant Hernandez will be taking Deputy Chief Morton's place with training at Northwestern, starting today. The schedule will be two weeks on and two weeks off. Also, Chief Allison will be emailing his 2025-year end report. One of the highlights he spoke of is that there was a 13.2% decrease in accidents from 2025 to 2024.

## **PUBLIC WORKS REPORT: Nick Rossaert, Josh Beyer Sr.-absent, Karl Tisberger**

Karl said they are slowly getting their large snow removal dump trucks back up and running. The new dump truck should be at the body shop this week. He said they are close to getting a used one from Somonauk's Water Department.

Nick said they received the camera trailer the middle of last month. There is training for it on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Over the holidays, the pump digester two went down. He is waiting for a quote to repair it.

## **DIRECTOR OF BUILDING, PLANNING, AND ZONING'S REPORT: Jeff Sobotka**

Jeff gave a 2025-year end report. He said there were 367 permits issued in 2025, and the total construction value of all permits was \$5.5 million dollars.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ADMINISTRATIVE/HEALTH & SAFETY: Alderman Mulliner-nothing**

**BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND ZONING: Alderman Veen-nothing**

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: Alderman Fawver**

**FINANCE: Alderman Wickens**

Alderman Wickens called a meeting for January 26, 2026 at 5:15 p.m.

**PARKS: Alderman Johns**

Alderman Johns said he met last week with Mayor Rennels and City Administrator Shanahan to discuss the baseball parks' schedules and reserving them, and the city park ordinances and rules. He said they will start getting ready for bids for mowing contracts for the Lakewood Springs parks. Also, Josh Beyer Sr. is getting water fountain costs for two city parks.

**PERSONNEL & INSURANCE: Alderman Swoboda-nothing**

**SPECIAL EVENTS: Alderman Nadeau**

Alderman Nadeau wished all a Happy New Year. She said the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. is this year, and there will be events happening to celebrate it.

**STREETS & UTILITIES: Alderman DeBolt**

Alderman DeBolt said this committee met on January 8, 2026. The discussed a high utility bill adjustment for a resident. She thought the leak was in the bathroom, cleaned it up, but the leak was still there. Her crawlspace was full of water causing a lot of damage. The committee agreed to waive the sewer portion of her bill. He gave a shout out to the city workers for helping with this situation.

Alderman DeBolt said there was another incident on Christmas Eve. He thanked Moy with the Water Department and the city workers who helped. The resident said Moy was very helpful and professional. Alderman DeBolt stated that maybe WSPY could put a message out that these two occurrences were not in regular business hours, and the two residents did not know how to contact the city. They were told they could call 911 who could help them.

**CITIZENS' COMMENTS: none**

**CLOSED SESSION: 5 ILCS 120/2**

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman Nadeau, to go into closed session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

Roll Call:

Voting "Aye": Mulliner, Nadeau, DeBolt, Fawver, Johns, Swoboda, Veen, Wickens

Voting "Nay":

Absent:

Motion passed.

Nick Rossaert left the meeting during Closed Session.

A motion was made by Alderman Mulliner, seconded by Alderman DeBolt, to return to Open Session. Attorney Thomas said no action was taken during Closed Session. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed.

City Administrator Shanahan said there will be a presentation at a future COW meeting regarding smart water meters.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Alderman Nadeau, seconded by Alderman Veen, to adjourn. A unanimous "Aye" voice vote was heard. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Carin Martin, City Clerk