

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
FEBRUARY 21, 2026, MEETING MINUTES**

The City Council of the City of Sachse held a special meeting on Saturday, February 21, 2026, at 8:00 AM at McKinney City Hall, 401 E. Virginia St, McKinney, TX 75069. Those present were: Mayor Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor Pro Tem Brett Franks, Councilmember Michelle Howarth, Councilmember Frank Millsap, Councilmember Chance Lindsey, Councilmember Lindsay Buhler, Councilmember Matt Prestenberg.

A. Meeting Opening

1. Call to Order: The City Council of the City of Sachse will hold a special meeting on Saturday, February 21, 2026, at 8:00 AM to consider the following items of business:

Mayor Bickerstaff called the meeting to order at 8:08 AM.

B. Discussion Items

These items are for Council and staff to discuss as needed. **Comments on Discussion Items should be addressed in the Public Comment Section of this meeting.**

1. Discuss leadership development, strategic planning, and the development of goals and objectives for the City of Sachse's strategic plan which include planning, economic development, and transportation.

Ms. Nash reviewed the evolution of the City's strategic planning efforts, including the 2015 strategic plan, the outdated 2001 Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in 2017, the creation of the City's first long-range financial plan, formation of the Municipal Development District (MDD), and lessons learned from The Station development (2018–2020). She noted improvements in professionalism, reduced turnover, and progress on long-overdue projects.

Council discussed what worked between 2015 and 2025. Ms. Nash led a discussion about what may need to change as the City looks forward and works on the plan again. She noted that leadership will need to start thinking about succession, community partnerships, and what the Council considers success in five years. After a short break, Scott Baker and Paul Hofmann from the Berkley Group ran the Council through an affinity exercise to categorize responses to their questionnaire. The Mayor guided the Council through an exercise comparing the City in 2010 to 2026. The Councilmembers' consensus was that the team is more professional, there is more opportunity in the city, and engagement with the public has improved.

The Council discussed goal areas, considerations for implementation, and next steps. Ms. Nash and Ms. Rose focused on the Strategic Plan, creative collaborations, and formalizing the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and budget process. A 2027 Bond timeline was discussed that included potential bond projects. The Council considered how to continue engaging residents effectively and how often they should meet to discuss these matters.

C. Adjournment

Mayor Bickerstaff adjourned the meeting at 3:07 PM.

ATTEST:


Leah K Granger, TRMC, City Secretary


Jeff Bickerstaff, Mayor

