



City of Haslet

AGENDA

**Charter Commission Meeting
Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 7:00 PM
Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street**

Notice is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the Haslet Charter Commission to be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, at 7:00 PM, at the Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street.

Members of the Public may also join the meeting remotely, by:

- Videoconference: <https://meet.goto.com/859504061>

- Phone: 1-571-317-3116 and entering access code: 859-504-061

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADMINISTER STATEMENT OF OFFICER AND OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED MEMBERS

3.A. Jolly, Aaron

4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION AND COMMENTS

*An opportunity for citizens to address the Charter Commission on matters which are on the agenda or are not scheduled for consideration (non-agenda items). The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits deliberation by the members of the Charter Commission of any subject which is not on the posted agenda, therefore the Charter Commission will not be able to discuss or take action on items not listed on this agenda, other than to make statements of specific factual information or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry. **NOTE: In order to address the Charter Commission during this time, or later in the meeting for any item that is scheduled on the agenda, please complete, and submit a speaker card to the Meeting Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. The presiding officer may ask the speaker to hold comments on agenda items until that agenda item is reached. Public Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker unless otherwise required by law.***

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent items are deemed to need little Commission deliberation and will be acted upon as one business item. Any member of the Commission may request that an item be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and placed before the Commission for full discussion. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the Chair, or his designee, to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendation.

5.A. Approval of May 6, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

[Charter Commission - 06 May 2026 - Minutes - Pdf](#)

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If you have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please contact the City Secretary at (817) 439-5931 within 72 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.

6. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW

- 6.A. Review all work from Elections Subcommittee and discuss development of a pro/con document for our public interest meetings
- 6.B. Review all work from the Form of Government Subcommittee
- 6.C. Review all work from the Financial Procedures Subcommittee
- 6.D. Review all work from the Initiative, Referendum, Recall of Officers Subcommittee 6 - 16
[SR-26-256 - Pdf](#)
- 6.E. Review all work from the Community Outreach Subcommittee 17 - 31
[SR-26-249 - Pdf](#)

7. ACTION ITEMS

- 7.A. Discuss, consider and act to adopt content for the Home-Rule Charter Document
- 7.B. Discuss, consider and act regarding the Home Rule Charter Table of Contents

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURN

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Haslet Community Center Building at 105 Main Street, Haslet, Texas on Thursday, May 28, 2026 before 5:00 pm.



Katrina White
Acting City Secretary

I certify that the attached notice and agenda of items to be considered by the Haslet City Council was removed by me from the designated bulletin board located at the Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street, Haslet, Texas on the _____ day of _____, 2026.

_____, Title: _____



MINUTES

Haslet Charter Commission Meeting

7:00 PM - Wednesday, May 6, 2026

Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street

GOVERNING BODY PRESENT: Marilyn Broyles, Joel Bullard, Matthew Clark, Benjamin Drury, Stephanie Grace, Matthew Hays, Greg Kadesch, Joette Keen, Martin McCoy, Patricia Parker, Chuck Tackett, and Ron Tharp

GOVERNING BODY ABSENT: Mike Rhodes, Kerry Ricketts, and Stewart Shirey

STAFF PRESENT: Admin Katrina White

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

Chair Greg Kadesch called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present at 7:00 pm.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Greg Kadesch led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION AND COMMENTS

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4.A. Approval of April 22, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

CC-27-2026

Moved by Martin McCoy
Seconded by Stephanie Grace

Motion to approve the April 22, 2026 Meeting Minutes with the addition of

Ayes: Marilyn Broyles, Joel Bullard, Matthew Clark, Benjamin Drury, Stephanie Grace, Matthew Hays, Greg Kadesch, Joette Keen, Martin McCoy, Patricia Parker, Chuck Tackett, and Ron Tharp

APPROVED 12-0

5. DISCUSSION AND REVIEW

Chair Kadesch directed the commission to move to 5.E. Community Outreach, first.

- 5.A. Review all work from Elections Subcommittee - *None*
- 5.B. Review all work from the Form of Government Subcommittee - *Chuck Tackett provided documents for discussion and review - Balanced Hybrid Mayor - City Council - City Manager Government*
- 5.C. Review all work from the Financial Procedures Subcommittee - *None*
- 5.D. Review all work from the Initiative, Referendum, Recall of Officers Subcommittee - *Patricia Parker - review & discussion of Article XVI: Recall, Initiative and Referendum*
- 5.E. Review all work from the Community Outreach Subcommittee - *Marty McCoy and Ron Tharp led the discussion regarding holding public workshops for the purpose of educating residents on the Home Rule Charter process*

6. ACTION ITEMS

- 6.A. Discuss, consider and act to adopt content for the Home-Rule Charter document.
No action taken
- 6.B. Discuss, consider and act regarding the Home Rule Charter Table of Contents
No action taken

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- The next meeting will be June 3, 2026 at 7pm.

8. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Greg Kadesch, Chairman

DATE

Katrina White, Acting City Secretary

DATE

Draft

Charter Commission
AGENDA ITEM REPORT



MEETING: Charter Commission - 03 Jun 2026

CONTACT: Patricia Parker,

DEPARTMENT: Appointed Official

SUBJECT: Review all work from the Initiative, Referendum, Recall of Officers Subcommittee

ATTACHMENTS: [Examples of Petition Forms](#)
[EXAMPLES OF INITIATIVE POWER](#)
[REWRITTEN ARTICLE XVI](#)

Name of Circulator _____ Page _____ of _____
PETITION FOR INITIATIVE

TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF PLANO, LOCATED IN COLLIN AND DENTON COUNTIES, TEXAS

THE UNDERSIGNED QUALIFIED VOTERS OF PLANO, TEXAS DO HEREBY PROPOSE (write/type a description of the proposed ordinance or resolution in the space provided and attach a complete draft of the proposed legislation to each page of the petition) _____

BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO EITHER PASS AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED INITIATIVE OR TO CALL A SPECIAL ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ELECTION CODE.

*Note: The signer MUST include either: 1) his/her date of birth OR 2) voter registration number AND county of residence.

| SIGNATURE | PRINTED NAME | DATE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE ADDRESS | CITY/ZIP | COUNTY OF REGISTRATION | VOTER REGISTRATION NUMBER | DATE SIGNED |
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AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF _____, I, _____, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and say that I am one of the signers of the above petition; and that the statements made therein are true, and that each signature appearing thereto was made in my presence on the day and date it purports to have been made, and I solemnly swear that the same is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

X _____
 Signature of Circulator

X _____
 Notary Public in and for State of Texas

(SEAL)

*Note: State law may impose additional requirements for certain petitions on specific issues or require that certain subject matter petition forms be obtained from the City Secretary. Texas law excludes certain subject matters from submittal to the voters. Notarized verification is required, pursuant to Plano City Charter. Petitioners may want to consult with legal counsel of their choice prior to circulating a petition. It is the petition initiator's/circulator's responsibility to comply with all legal requirements.

PETITION FOR REFERENDUM

Name of Circulator _____ Page _____ of _____

TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF PLANO, LOCATED IN COLLIN AND DENTON COUNTIES, TEXAS

THE UNDERSIGNED QUALIFIED VOTERS OF PLANO, TEXAS DO HEREBY REQUIRE THAT THE CITY COUNCIL REPEAL *(Insert the ordinance or resolution number of the ordinance or resolution to be repealed and write/type a description of the specific ordinance or resolution you seek to repeal, and attach a copy of the ordinance or resolution to each petition page)* _____

OR BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS OF THIS CITY FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL.

*Note: The signer MUST include either: 1) his/her date of birth OR 2) voter registration number AND county of residence.

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AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF _____, I, _____, being first duly sworn, on oath depose and say that I am one of the signers of the above petition; and that the statements made therein are true, and that each signature appearing thereto was made in my presence on the day and date it purports to have been made, and I solemnly swear that the same is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

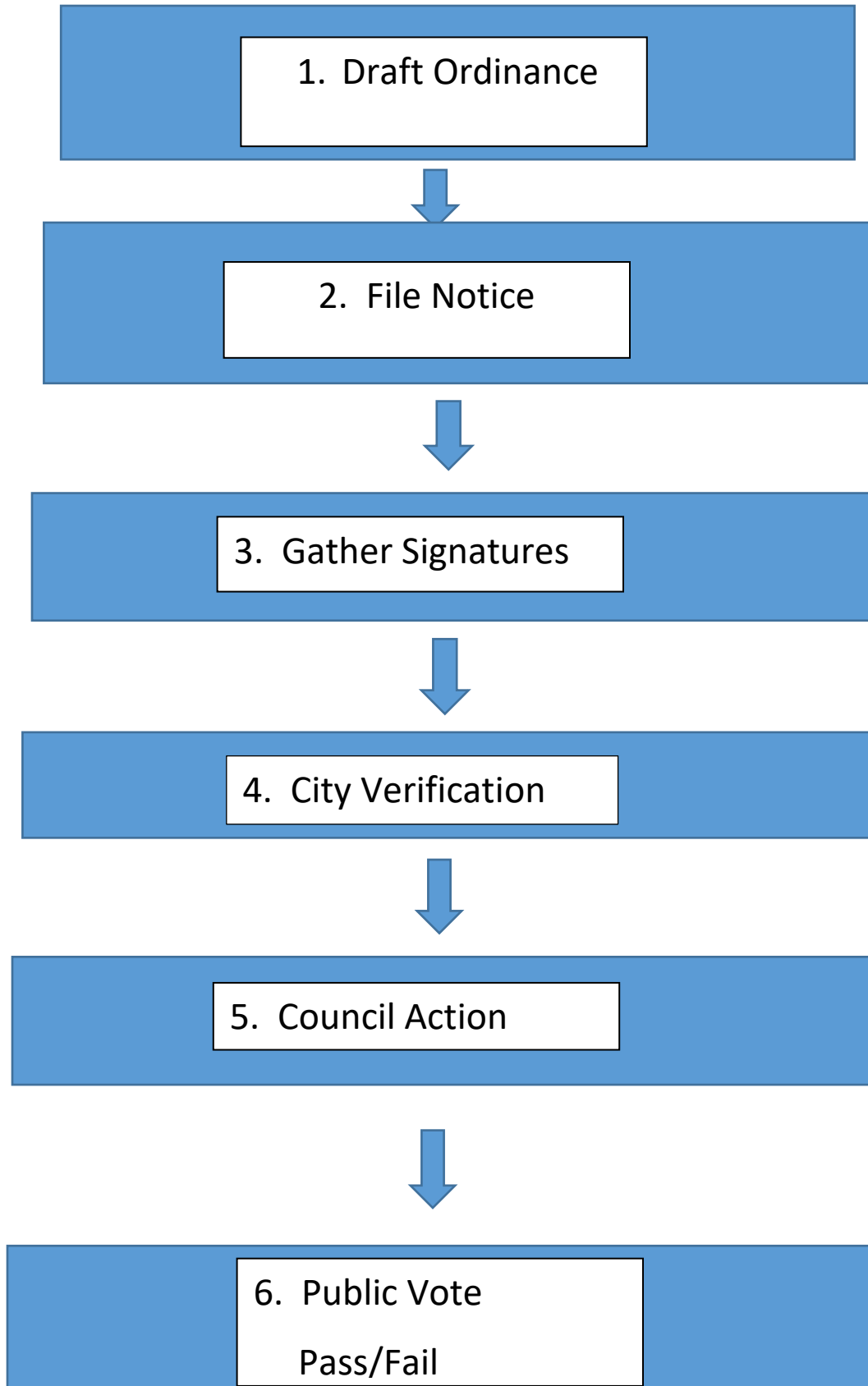
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X _____ (SEAL)

Signature of Circulator _____ Notary Public in and for State of Texas

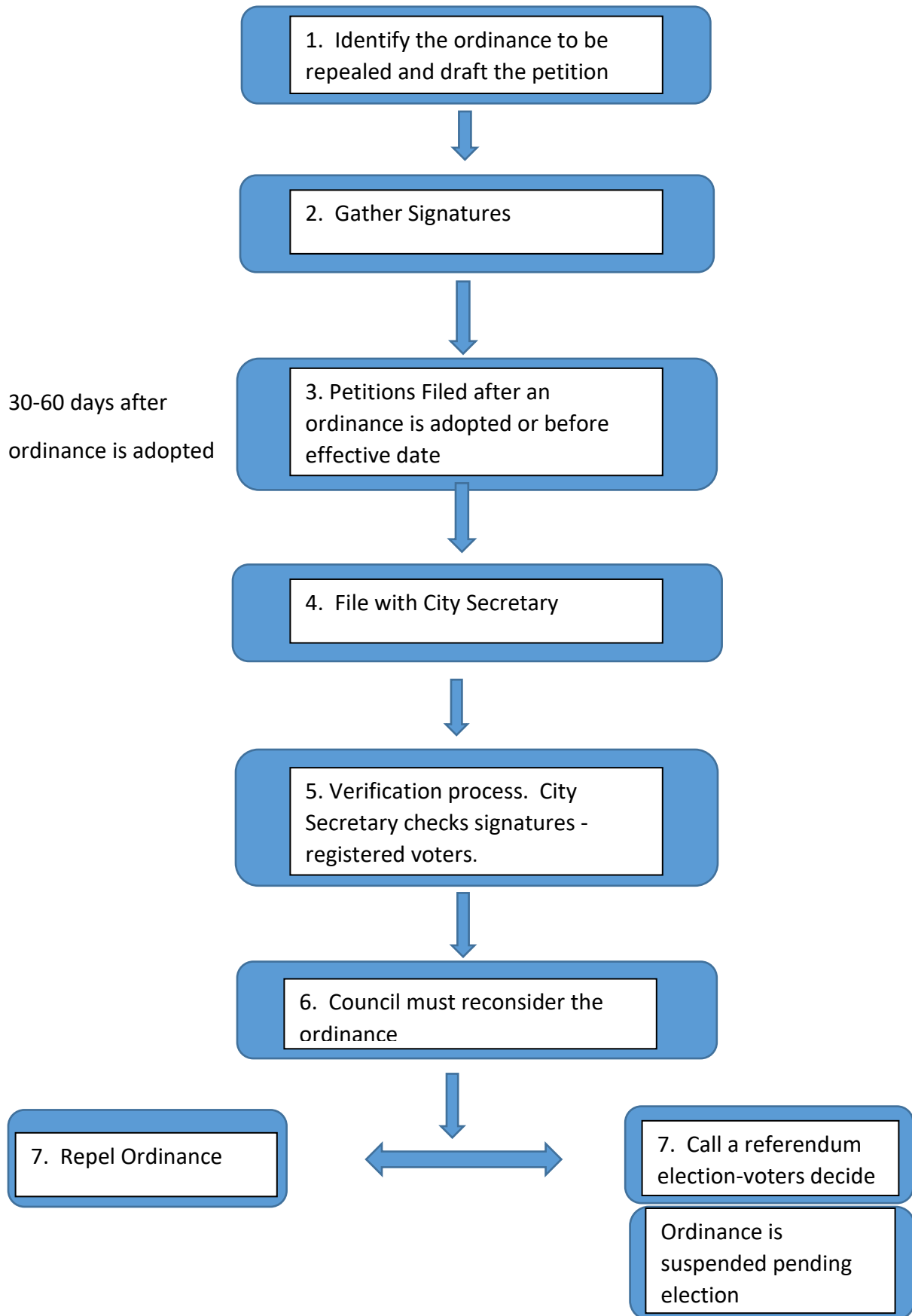
EXAMPLES OF INITIATIVE POWER - the ability for citizens to propose new ordinances or charter amendments through petitions and put them to a popular vote.

1. Dallas, Bastrop, and Lockhart: In November 2024, voters in these cities passed citizen-initiated measures to decriminalize marijuana, making possession of small amounts a low-priority offense for police
2. Austin: Police Staffing Initiative (2021): Citizens used the initiative process to place a measure on the ballot regarding police staffing requirements
3. The group "Save Austin Now" launched a petition for an independent audit initiative following the failure of a previous initiative



EXAMPLES OF REFERENDUM POWER – Challenging Council Actions

1. Plano (2020): Citizens successfully petitioned for a referendum to repeal the "Plano Tomorrow" comprehensive development plan, forcing the city council to repeal the plan
2. Texarkana (2020): Voters approved a city charter amendment referendum regarding binding arbitration for firefighters
3. Houston: Equal Rights Ordinance (2015): A citizen-initiated referendum (a form of initiative power) resulted in the repeal of a city ordinance that aimed to ban discrimination based on 15 protected characteristics
4. Lubbock: In 2021, citizens held a referendum that declared Lubbock a "sanctuary city for the unborn," effectively banning abortion within the city through local ordinance
5. Addison, Highland Park, & University Park (May 2026): Voters are weighing in on referendums to decide whether to withdraw from the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) system



REWRITTEN ARTICLE XVI: RECALL, INITIATIVE, AND REFERENDUM

(Comprehensive Draft for the City of Haslet, TX)

Section 16.01 Power of Recall

The registered voters of the City shall have the power to recall any elected officer of the City. The basis for recall shall include specific acts of malfeasance, incompetence, moral turpitude, or ethical failures as defined by Texas law, or a failure to comply with the provisions of this Charter.

Section 16.02 Recall Petition Requirements

1. **Signature Threshold:** A petition demanding the question of recall by the identified position must be signed by thirty percent (30%) of registered voters at the time of the recall submission.
2. **Affidavit of Petitioner:** One or more of the signers of each petition paper shall make an oath before an officer competent to administer oaths that the statements therein made are true and that each signature is genuine.
3. **Filing Timeline:** All signatures must be collected within forty-five (45) days of the date the first signature was affixed.

Section 16.03 Presentation and Public Hearing

Within twenty-one (21) days of filing, the City Secretary shall certify the petition's sufficiency. If certified, the Council shall notify the officer. The officer has seven (7) days to request a public hearing, which must be held within fifteen (15) days. This transparency ensures the community hears the officer's defense before a ballot is cast.

Section 16.04 The Recall Election

If the officer does not resign, the Council shall order an election for the next uniform election date. If a majority of those voting on the question vote "Yes" for removal, the office is vacated. If "No," the officer remains.

Section 16.05 Initiative and Referendum Powers

The voters of **Haslet** reserve the power of Initiative (to propose legislation) and Referendum (to require reconsideration of enacted legislation).

- Excluded Items: Budget, capital programs, tax levies, utility rates, zoning, and personnel matters.
- Initiative Threshold: Signed by fifteen percent (15%) of the registered voters at the time of initiative.
- Referendum Timeline: Must be filed within thirty (30) days of the ordinance's passage with the City Secretary or within 30 days after its publication.

Section 16.06 Legal Sufficiency and Effect

1. Legal Review: Any proposed initiative shall be submitted to the City Attorney upon filing to ensure it does not conflict with the Texas Constitution or State law.
2. Council Action: Upon receipt of a valid initiative, the Council shall either:
 - Pass the ordinance within thirty (30) days; or
 - Submit the ordinance to a vote of the people.
3. Referendum Effect: A valid referendum petition stays (suspends) the ordinance from taking effect until the Council repeals it or the voters approve it.

Section 16.07 Limitations and Mandamus

- Frequency: No recall shall be filed within six (6) months of an officer taking office or within six (6) months of a previous recall election for that officer.
- Judicial Enforcement: If the City Secretary or Council fails to perform these duties, any citizen may seek a Writ of Mandamus in a court of competent jurisdiction (Tarrant or Denton County) to compel the execution of these Charter provisions.

Why this works for Haslet:

1. Thirty percent (30%) of registered voters based on 3,600 actual registered voters in the city of Haslet would be one thousand and 80 (1,080). This ensures a

recall represents a significant community movement, not just a few frustrated neighbors.

2. The 45-Day Window: Liberty Hill uses a slightly longer window than Justin. For a high-growth town like Haslet, where neighbors may not know each other yet, 45 days is a fairer window for grassroots organizing than 30.
3. Two-Year Ineligibility: Adding the "succession" ban (from the Justin draft) but defining it as two years (standard in many Texas cities) prevents a recalled official from immediately running in the special election held to fill their own vacancy.

The conviction of an officer for any felony or for a misdemeanor involving official misconduct operates as an immediate removal from office.

If we decide on doing districts:

A recall petition for removal of a council member would have to be "signed by qualified voters of the territory from which the council member is elected," and that would be qualified voters from that council member's single-member district.

The minimum number of valid signatures to recall a council member would be "at least 10 percent of the qualified voters" of that council member's district.

"Qualified voter" means registered voter. [See Texas Election Code, §277.0021]

A recall petition for removal of the mayor would have to be "signed by qualified voters of the territory from which the council member is elected," and because the mayor is elected at large that would be qualified voters from the whole city.

The minimum number of valid signatures to recall the mayor would be "at least 10 percent of the qualified voters" of the whole city. "Qualified voter" means registered voter. [See Texas Election Code, §277.0021]

Charter Commission
AGENDA ITEM REPORT



MEETING: Charter Commission - 03 Jun 2026

CONTACT: Martin McCoy,

DEPARTMENT: Appointed Official

CONTACT: Ron Tharp,

DEPARTMENT: Appointed Official

SUBJECT: Review all work from the Community Outreach Subcommittee

ATTACHMENTS: [Charter Commission Community Outreach 03 June 2026 ALPHA](#)
[Community Outreach 03 June 2026 - Initial Public Hearing Draft - ALPHA](#)



3 June, 2026

Charter Commission

Community Outreach – Sub Committee

When the Charter Commission is prepared, an initial “Workshop” venue, now proposed to be classified as a “Public Hearing” will be scheduled and conducted at the City of Haslet Community Center. This Public Hearing will be announced in advance as per established Public Hearing notification criteria and policies. Note: Including notification on City of Haslet digital displays at the Fire Station and Library. The presentation and discussion will be broadcast via internet and recorded. Note: Suggest a maximum of ninety (90) minutes per Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing agenda and presentation will be composed and reviewed in advance, with specific focus on communication and receiving input from the residents within the City Limits of Haslet, Texas.

1. Charter Commission information, as published, currently on the City of Haslet web site:

Charter Commission

The Charter Commission was established February 2, 2026 pursuant to **Texas Local Government Code §9.001–9.004** and Article II Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, and by action of the governing body of the City of Haslet, TX for the purpose of preparing a proposed Home Rule Charter to be submitted to the voters.

Members

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Overview:

The City of Haslet is currently a Type A General Law municipality with a Mayor–Council form of government. As a General Law municipality, the City may exercise only those powers that state statutes expressly grant.

Cities with a population over 5,000 may adopt a Home Rule Charter to establish the structure, powers, duties, and authority of their local government. The legal framework for Home Rule cities is essentially the opposite of that for General Law cities. Rather than looking to state statutes to determine what they may do, Home Rule cities look to their local Charter to determine what they may do. A Home Rule city may generally take any action not prohibited by the Texas Constitution or state law, provided that the authority is granted in its Charter. Home Rule cities may act in the interest of the citizens’ health, safety, and welfare so long as those actions do not conflict with the Texas or United States Constitutions or other federal or state laws.

What is a Charter?

Home Rule cities must write and adopt a Charter. The Charter functions much like a municipal constitution and is created and approved through an election by the citizens. It defines and limits the powers, duties, and responsibilities of the local government according to the community’s preferences and priorities. The Charter defines the form of local government and establishes organizational provisions. Citizens determine the appropriate controls over their government—such as elections, referendums, initiatives, and recall—and also establish the procedures for amending the Charter. In essence, the Charter describes and defines local government based on local preferences and controls as opposed to general laws written by the Texas legislature.

How is a Home Rule Charter Adopted?

Chapter 9 of the Texas Local Government Code provides the procedure for adoption of a Home Rule Charter, which includes:

1. Selection of a Charter Commission;
2. The Charter Commission prepares the proposed Home Rule Charter;
3. Once the Charter Commission has completed the proposed Charter, the City Council places the proposed Charter on the ballot for the next uniform election date;
4. All registered voters of the City receive a copy of the proposed Charter by mail thirty (30) days prior to the election;
5. The citizens vote whether or not to adopt the proposed Charter in the election. Adoption of a Charter is by majority vote.

City Staff Liaison

Charter Commission members are provided clerical and administrative support from the City Administration and City Secretary's Office as well as other members of city staff as appropriate.



Initial Public Hearing:

The Public Hearing agenda and presentation will be reviewed in advance, for achieving focused communication with citizens living within the City Limits of Haslet, Texas.

Subject: Form of Government (For: The City of Haslet, Texas Home Rule Charter)

Location: The Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street, Haslet, Texas 76052

Date(s): TBD; Propose using one of the established scheduled dates for the Charter Commission

Time: 7:00 PM CDT. [Ninety (90) minutes, 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM CDT.]

Resources: Chairperson of the Home Rule Charter Commission, Form of Government – Subcommittee Members, Community Outreach – Subcommittee members, City Secretary, IT/IS Specialist, Public Safety (FD or SO).

Notification: Complying with HB 1522, starting September 1, 2025, agendas (including revised agendas) must be posted 3-business days in advance of the meeting date. Also complying with The Open Meetings Act (Government Code, Chapter 551) and complying with Local Government Code Section 392.054 **Notice of Public Meeting** (a) In addition to any other **notice** required by law, shall post **notice of** the date, hour, place, and subject of meeting if/as required by Section 392.053.



SPACER:

Safety (Minute): Highlight the Emergency Exits within the facility and identify the Muster Point where everyone is to gather in the case of an emergency.

Purpose: This Public Hearing (Workshop event) is an official meeting designed to facilitate community engagement regarding the City of Haslet Charter Commission work and progress, where residents within the established City Limits of Haslet, Texas can hear facts and learn about the proposed Home Rule Charter, with the opportunity to ask questions and provide constructive input.

Agenda:

- Call To Order and Opening of Public Hearing
- Safety Minute
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Welcome and Introduction
- Purpose of this Public Hearing event
- Review of the Agenda
- Charter Commission Information and Overview
- Presentation: Form of Government, for the Haslet, Texas Home Rule Charter
- Haslet Citizens Participation, Comments and Input.
- Action Items and Next Steps
- Adjourn

Conduct: Professional conduct and behavior. Proactive listening and productive dialogue.

Expectations: Provide a platform for community outreach, citizen engagement and transparency. Focus on gathering facts and input regarding the development of a Home Rule Charter for the City of Haslet, Texas.

Results: Increase awareness and provide a platform for citizen input with positive engagement.



3 June, 2026

**Charter Commission
Community Outreach – Sub Committee**

Note: The following pages serve as a Draft document, pertaining to the Initial Public Hearing event of the Charter Commission for Haslet, Texas

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City of Haslet

AGENDA

Charter Commission – Public Hearing Month (XXXX) and Date (XX), 2026, at 7:00 PM

Located at The Haslet Community Center, 105 Main Street, Haslet, Texas 76052

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Charter Commission accomplishments thus far, include:

- Review of legal framework
- Created By-Laws
- Established and activated Sub-Committees:
 - Form of Government
 - Elections
 - Financial Procedures and Taxation
 - Initiative, Referendum, Recall of Officers
 - Community Outreach
 - Public Hearing – coordination & scheduling



ILLUSTRATION

**INSERT UPDATED CITY MAP - City of Haslet
(with corresponding "Labels" added)**

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INSERT PRESENTATION FOR:

“Form of Government”

For the Haslet, Texas Home Rule Charter

Content and Material, via: Form of Government – Subcommittee and Charter Commission members

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- **Haslet Citizens Participation, Comments and Input.**

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- **Public Hearing - Action Items and Next Steps**

- **Adjourn**

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APPENDIX:



Public Meeting
Appearance Card Final

- Public Meeting Appearance Card Final
- Updated Map, City of Haslet (with “Labels”)
- “Form of Government” Reference Materials:
 - XXX
 - YYY
 - ZZZ

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