



City Manager's Notes

**Week Ending
February 6, 2026**

Mayor and Council.

The City Manager's Notes for the week ending February 6, 2026, are provided below. This report contains public information and can be freely shared.

New City Manager

I want to sincerely thank the City Council placing your trust in me to lead this organization. It is an honor and a responsibility that I take very seriously. The executive team and I will build a culture grounded in four core values: Respect, Integrity, Service, and Excellence – RISE. These values may sound simple, but living them every day will take commitment and teamwork. This will be a journey focused on progress, not perfection, and I believe the future ahead is bright. With your support, we will RISE to the challenge and make a lasting impact.

Executive Team Introductions

Staff will be working to develop a campaign introducing the executive team and the departments they oversee through the City's website and social media. This will help put a face and some humanity to each department and illustrate to the community the high quality of team leading this organization.

H-E-B Acquires About 90 Acres

On February 4, the [DallasNews.com](https://www.dallasnews.com) reported that H-E-B acquired 90 acres of land. "The Terrell property was purchased in anticipation of H-E-B's continued growth across North Texas," said Mabrie Jackson, managing director, public affairs, H-E-B/Central Market, in an email. "No timeline for construction of a store there has been established."

Pages and Play

A heartfelt thanks to Riter C. Hulsey Public Library Adult Services Librarian Omar Felipe for leading amazing and free craft classes at the Pages and Play Programming Center, which is located at the Shops at Terrell. Watch our page for upcoming activities, but get there early if you want a chair.

Strategic Plan Workshop

The City issued an RFQ in order to seek potential facilitators for a City Council Goals / Strategic Plan workshop. We received five responses. Senior Policy Analyst Omayra Mata will be leading a team to review the submission and recommend a facilitator. Once a facilitator has been selected, staff will work with them to determine potential dates for this event. More information will be provided as available.

West End Water Line Project

The West End Water Line Project remains on schedule. Installation of the new water line has been completed, and staff collected drinking water samples for required TCEQ analysis. Upon receipt of acceptable results, staff will return to begin transitioning water service from the existing main to the new water main.



Upcoming Events

City Calendar

- 118th Annual Membership & Industrial Luncheon February 9 (Mon)
- GED Social Studies Enrollment Opens February 11 (Wed)
- Terrell PD Pinning Ceremony (2:00 PM) February 12 (Thu)
- Library Advisory Board February 12 (Thu)
- Terrell Youth Council February 12 (Thu)
- City Council Meeting February 17 (Tue)
- Terrell Housing Finance Corporation Meeting February 17 (Tue)
- City Facility Naming Committee February 19 (Thu)
- Planning & Zoning Commission February 26 (Thu)
- Joint PADIC / EDC / City / ISD Meeting (6:00 PM @ TVCC) March 2 (Mon)
- City Council Meeting March 3 (Tue)
- Friends of the Library Silent Auction and Happy Hour March 06 (Fri)
- Kaufman County Leadership Council March 10 (Tue)
- Terrell Youth Council March 12 (Thu)
- National League of Cities March 15 – 18 (Sun to Wed)

Other Calendars

- Chamber Events: <https://business.terrelltexas.com/events>
- TEDC Events Calendar: <https://business.terrelltexas.com/events/calendar/2026-02-01>
- TISD Events Calendar: https://www.terrellisd.org/events?start_date=2026-02-01&end_date=2026-02-28

In Closing

If staff can provide additional information or clarification, please let me know. Thank you all for your continued service and dedication to the City of Terrell.

Respectfully,

Mark C. Mills
City Manager