

MINUTES

LANCASTER PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026

The Public Engagement Committee of the City of Lancaster, Texas, met in a called Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber of Lancaster Municipal Center, 211 N. Henry Street, on January 28, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present to-wit:

Public Engagement Committee Members Present:

Ruby Thomas, Chair
Karen Nolen-Austin
Linda Gilbert
Adaliese Harris
Harmonica Mays
Ryan Rodriguez

Public Engagement Committee Members Absent:

Martin Nyguyen

Staff Present:

Vershurn Ford, Director of Community and Public Relations

Call to Order:

Chair Ruby Thomas called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. on January 28, 2026.

Public Testimony:

Citizens who have pre-registered before the call to order will be allowed to speak on consent or action item on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings, for a length of time not to exceed three minutes. Anyone desiring to speak on an item scheduled for a public hearing is requested to hold their comments until the public hearing on that item.

There were no speakers.

Consent Agenda:

1. **Consider approval of minutes from the Public Engagement Committee Special Meeting held on December 17, 2025.**

MOTION: Committee Member Rodriguez made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Mays to approve minutes from the Public Engagement Committee Meeting on December 17, 2025. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

2. **Discuss and consider the Yard of the Month nominations for January 2026.**

Commercial

No submissions.

District 1

Committee Chair Thomas nominated 218 Annette Street.
Committee Member Rodriguez nominated 241 Trinity Drive.
Committee Member Mays nominated 253 Trinity Drive.
Committee Member Gilbert nominated 937 Trinity Drive.

MOTION: A roll call vote was cast 4 for, 2 against (Thomas and Harris) to elect 937 Trinity Drive as District 1 January 2026 Yard of the Month (Nyguyen absent).

District 2

No submissions.

District 3

No submissions.

District 4

No submissions.

District 5

MOTION: Committee Member Nolen-Austin made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Gilbert to elect 1330 Greenbriar as District 5 January 2026 Yard of the Month. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

District 6

MOTION: Committee Member Rodriguez made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Mays to elect 3048 Crimson Clover Drive as District 6 January 2026 Yard of the Month. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

At-Large

Committee Member Mays nominated 218 Annette Street.
Committee Member Nolen-Austin nominated 502 Branchwood Drive.

MOTION: A roll call vote was cast 4 for, 2 against (Harris and Nolen-Austin) to elect 218 Annette Street as District 1 January 2026 Yard of the Month (Nyguyen absent).

3. Discuss and consider the election of Chair for the Public Engagement Committee.

Committee Member Mays made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Gilbert to elect Ruby Thomas as the Chair of the Public Engagement Committee. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

4. Discuss and consider the election of Vice Chair for the Public Engagement Committee.

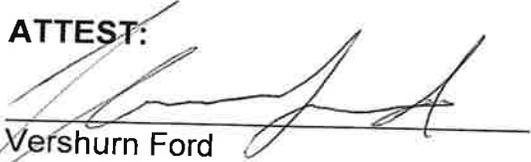
Committee Member Harris made a motion, seconded by Committee Chair Thomas to elect Karen Nolen-Austin as the Vice Chair of the Public Engagement Committee. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

Adjournment:

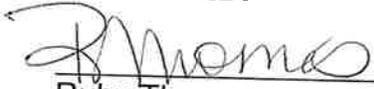
MOTION: Committee Member Gilbert made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Harris to adjourn. The vote was cast 6 for, 0 against (Nyguyen absent).

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

ATTEST:


Vershurn Ford
Director of Community and Public Relations

APPROVED:


Ruby Thomas
Chair

