



MEETING AGENDA
DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
Thursday, April 2, 2026
Work Session: 2:00 p.m.
Public Hearing: 3:00 p.m.

City Hall, City Council Work Session Room
100 Fort Worth Trail
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

To view the docket for this meeting visit: [Upcoming Board and Commission Cases](#)

Any member of the public who wishes to address the Board regarding an item on the listed agenda must complete a Speaker Registration Form prior to the start of the meeting. This form will be located on the check-in desk in front of the work session room or can be obtained from staff present. If you would like to provide written comments in support or opposition, please send them to DesignReview@fortworthtexas.gov. Comments received by 5pm on the business day prior to the meeting date will be provided to the Commission.

BOARD MEMBERS

	Paul Rietema	- Place 1		Andrew Blake	- Place 5
	Kirk Millican	- Place 2		Brandon Burns	- Place 6
	Leah Dunn	- Place 3		Terri Bailey	- Place 7
	Ashlee Johnson	- Place 4		Mark Dabney	- Alternate

I. WORK SESSION: 2:00 P.M.

- A. NEW BOARD MEMBERS ORIENTATION – BOARD LIAISON
- B. ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND ETHICS – CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

II. PUBLIC HEARING: 3:00 P.M.

- C. CALL TO ORDER: STATEMENT REGARDING THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT
- D. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- E. APPROVAL OF MARCH 5, 2026 MEETING MINUTES
- F. NEW CASES

DG25 – 026 (R) 1612 Summit Avenue (H Zoning)
Downtown Urban Design District overlay
Council District: 9
Owner / Applicant: Nick Martin, 1612 Summit Partners, LLC / Brandon Chillcutt, Cowtown Graphics & Signs

1. Request a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a crown of the building sign.
2. Request the following waivers from the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines:
 - a) A waiver from the Crown of Building Sign Standards to allow a sign with a different message instead of the requirement that crown signs have identical messages.
 - b) A waiver from the Crown of Building Sign Standards to install a sign with more than one horizontal line of letters or symbols instead of the maximum of one horizontal or vertical line of letters or symbols.

DG-2026-005 1010 Houston Street (H Zoning)
Downtown Urban Design District Overlay, Downtown Core
Council District: 9
Owner / Applicant: Ben Baccash, M2 Fort Worth Downtown LLC / Marie Byrum, Byrum Sign & Lighting

1. Request a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a new crown of building sign.
2. Request the following waiver from the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines:
 - a) A waiver from the Crown of Building Sign Standards to allow a crown of building sign with more than one horizontal or vertical line of letters or symbols, where the standard allows a maximum of one horizontal or vertical line of letters or symbols.

DG-2026-008 300 West 7th Street (H Zoning)
Downtown Urban Design District Overlay, Downtown Core
Council District: 9
Owner / Applicant: Rachel Voegely, The Fort Worth Club / Joseph Mello, Mello Signs

1. Request a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of four wall signs.
2. Request the following waiver from the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines:
 - a) A waiver from the Allocation of Sign Area Standards to allow four wall signs with a total square footage of 107.50 square feet, when the maximum allowed is 70 square feet.

DG-2026-012 1400 Henderson Street (H Zoning)
Downtown Urban Design District Overlay, Downtown Core, Highly Significant Endangered (HSE) historic designation
Council District: 9
Owner / Applicant: Kyle Wilks, Wilks Development / Jess Green, Wilks Development

1. Request a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of two rooftop signs located on the east and north elevations of the historic building.
2. Request the following waiver from the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines:
 - a) A waiver from the Signage Standards to allow two rooftop signs which are not allowed.

**DG-2026-013 1201 Houston Street (H Zoning)
Downtown Urban Design District Overlay, Downtown Core
Council District: 9
Owner / Applicant: Cynthia Serrano, City of Fort Worth / Michael Bennett, Bennett Partners**

1. Request a Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of Phase II of the Convention Center, including renovation of existing convention center spaces; demolition of the 1960s Arena; and expansion of the building with the addition of approximately 358,000 square feet to the north side of the facility.
2. Request the following waiver from the Downtown Urban Design Standards and Guidelines:
 - a) A waiver from the Building Location, Orientation, and Setback Standards to allow a setback up to 130 feet instead of the maximum allowed of five feet from the back of the sidewalk.

G. ADJOURNMENT

ASSISTANCE AT THE PUBLIC MEETINGS:

This meeting site is wheelchair accessible. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need accommodations, auxiliary aids, or services such as interpreters, readers, or large print are requested to contact the City's ADA Coordinator at (817) 392-8552 or e-mail ADA@FortWorthTexas.gov at least 48 hours prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. If the City does not receive a notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, the City will still make a reasonable attempt to provide the necessary accommodations.

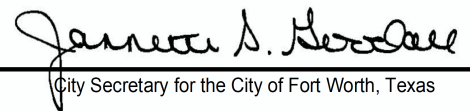
ASISTENCIA A REUNIONES PUBLICAS:

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Downtown Design Review Board may conduct a closed meeting, as necessary, to seek the advice of its attorneys concerning pending or contemplated litigation related to any item appearing on this agenda or concerning other matters that are exempt from public disclosure as authorized by Section 551.071 of Texas Government Code.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on the City of Fort Worth official bulletin board, places convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said Notice was stamped on the following date and time **Friday, March 27, 2026 at 3:45 P.M.** and remained so posted continuously for at least 3 business days preceding the scheduled date of said meeting.


City Secretary for the City of Fort Worth, Texas