MINUTES OF THE 1,682nd MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHLAKE HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:	**ALDERMAN STRAUBE** **ALDERMAN FELDMANN** **ALDERMAN SOSA** **ALDERMAN JOHNSON** **ALDERMAN GROCHOWSKI** **ALDERMAN PATTI**
PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE BRIDGE:	**ALDERMAN URBINA**
ABSENT:	**ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**
OTHERS PRESENT:	**KEVIN STERK, CITY ATTORNEY** **KEN BERES, CHIEF OF POLICE** **ISMAEL JIMENEZ, FINANCE DIRECTOR** **TONY FACIANO, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT**

Mayor Sherwin presented the minutes of the city council meeting held on October 5, 2026. Alderman Patti made a motion to accept the minutes of the city council meeting held on October 5, 2026; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin asked if there were any additions or corrections. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 5, 2026 CARRIED

Alderman Straube made a motion to reappoint Andrea Niemi, Daniella Niemi and Santhie Neri to the Community Events and Affairs Commission; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL:	**ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**
ABSENT:	**ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**
NAYS:	**NONE**

MOTION TO REAPPOINT ANDREA NIEMI, DANIELLA NIEMI AND SANTHIE NERI TO THE COMMUNITY EVENTS AND AFFAIRS COMMISSION CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to accept the Warrants and Vouchers; seconded by Alderman Sosa. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE WARRANTS AND VOUCHERS CARRIED

Mayor Sherwin reminded everyone that volunteers are still needed for BooFest; Clerk Pauletto reminded everyone that the Senior Dinner is on Thursday.

Alderman Patti made a motion to make an additional $1,000,000 payment to the Northlake Police Pension Fund; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL $1,000,000 PAYMENT TO THE NORTHLAKE POLICE PENSION FUND CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to pay the balance due on the Police Station Bond Issue; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO PAY THE BALANCE DUE ON THE POLICE STATION BOND ISSUE CARRIED

Alderman Straube made a motion to approve the 2027 Infrastructure Program; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2027 INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to approve a Parking Lot lease at Centerpoint; seconded by Alderman Straube. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO APPROVE A PARKING LOT LEASE AT CENTERPOINT CARRIED

The owner of T-Town Vape came forward and asked the city to extend his deadline to sell Kratom products to the federal timeline because he needs to extinguish his remaining inventory. The City's deadline has already passed and kratom has been banned. Alderman Grochowski made a motion to deny the requested extension; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO DENY THE REQUESTED EXTENSION FOR T-TOWN VAPE CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to refer a zoning application to the Zoning Board; seconded by Alderman Johnson. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: **ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, SOSA, JOHNSON, URBINA, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

NAYS: **NONE**

MOTION TO REFER A ZONING APPLICATION TO THE ZONING BOARD CARRIED

There being no further business, Alderman Straube made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:35 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

NANCY PAULETTO, CITY CLERK