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### **City Council Invites Residents to First *Talk of the Town* Workshop**

Gainesville, Texas— Gainesville City Council is carving out time to listen and engage with the community because the best conversations occur when neighbors come together for the greater good. Members of the Gainesville, TX community are invited to participate in a new community workshop series designed to inform the community and open the floor to conversations and collaboration. The new *Talk of the Town* series will feature presentations, discussions, and opportunities for public Q&A on important community topics.

The inaugural session will take place on Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 8am at the Gainesville Civic Center and will focus on code compliance. City Staff will provide a presentation to start the session, followed by a discussion with council members and an open Q&A for residents to share their questions and ideas.

“We are starting these workshops in hopes that community members will join us to hear how things work in the city and be part of the conversation of how this impacts our day-to-day as residents and business owners in Gainesville,” says Mayor Tommy Moore. “This is not only about enhancing the transparency we work hard to maintain as city representatives, but to help our whole community be on the same page of how our departments fulfill their missions to serve everyone who lives and works in Gainesville.”

“I encourage everyone to join us for the Code Compliance Workshop,” said Jeff Johnson, City Council Member representing Ward 5. “We want to hear your ideas on improvements we can make in building safety, the cleanup of urban blight, and the revitalization of residential and commercial properties. I, personally, would also love to hear your suggestions on fair and consistent ways to encourage and enforce these issues. Our priority is to make sure everyone is treated equally, from residential properties to commercial and city-owned properties.”

Future workshops will address additional topics such as streets, zoning, and other areas of interest identified by the community.



For more information about *Talk of the Town* and upcoming sessions, visit Gainesville's social media pages ([facebook.com/CityOfGainesvilleTX](https://facebook.com/CityOfGainesvilleTX) or [Instagram.com/CityOfGainesvilleTX](https://Instagram.com/CityOfGainesvilleTX)) or stay tuned to [GainesvilleTXEngage.org](https://GainesvilleTXEngage.org).

***Talk of the Town: Every neighbor. Every question. Welcome.***

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### **About Gainesville, TX**

The City of Gainesville serves as the county seat of Cooke County in North Texas. Known for its rich history, vibrant community, and welcoming spirit, Gainesville offers the charm of a small town with the amenities of a growing city. The city is committed to providing high-quality public services, supporting economic development, and working alongside community members to make Gainesville a great place to live, work, and visit. Learn more at [www.gainesville.tx.us](https://www.gainesville.tx.us) or [GainesvilleTXEngage.org](https://GainesvilleTXEngage.org)