

## City of Denison

The city of Denison has a council-manager form of government. An elected, seven-member council, headed by a mayor, makes the major decisions of city government. These include approving a budget, public construction projects and municipal laws.

A city manager is in charge of administration. The manager reports to the council, but has final authority on many smaller matters.

### Denison City Hall

500 W. Chestnut Denison, TX  
(903) 465-2720  
www.cityofdenison.com

### Who's who?

**City Manager**  
Larry Cruise

**City Attorney**  
Tom Akins

**City Clerk**  
Julie Lollar

**Finance Director**  
Susan Way

**Public Works Director and Utilities Director**  
David Howerton

**Director of Planning and Zoning**  
Faye Brockett

**Community Development**  
Tom Speakman

**Business Development and Main Street Program**  
Scott Smathers

**Building Official**  
Glenn Northcutt

**Code Enforcement**  
Betty Floyd  
Michael Fitzpatrick

**Keep Denison Beautiful**  
Tom Speakman

**Police Dept.**

Phone: (903) 465-2422  
Fax: (903) 415-0809, 108  
West Main, PO Box 224,  
Denison, TX 75021

**Police Chief**  
Jim Lovell

Non-Emergency Phone:  
(903) 465-2422

**Fire and EMS Dept.:**  
Phone: (903) 464-4427  
Fax: (903) 465-3806  
Central Station  
700 West Chestnut,  
Denison, TX 75020

**Fire Chief**  
Gordan Weger

**Parks and Recreation**  
Sharon Lafitte

**Public Library**  
Alvin Bailey

**Fairview Cemetery**  
Harold Wagoner

### Meetings

Councilors have bi-weekly meetings in the Council

Chambers at City Hall,  
Mondays at 6 p.m.

**Council work sessions:**  
The agenda is set for the Monday meetings usually are held on the Wednesday before the meeting,  
6 p.m.

### Council members Mayor

Robert Brady  
(903) 464-4440

**Mayor Pro Tem**  
Chris Gillespie  
(903) 464-4400

**Councilors**  
Obie Greenleaf  
(903) 465-5963

Jared Johnson  
(903) 464-9649

Michael Baecht  
(903) 462-4133

David Spindle  
(903) 464-4440

Jim McClure  
(903) 4645-1103

## Denison Development Alliance

**The Denison Development Alliance** is the public corporation which administers the city's economic development sales tax.

expand and keep jobs. DDA is also involved in workforce development and building industrial infrastructure. The tax is one half-cent per dollar.

are made by its board of directors.

The DDA works together with the Denison Industrial Foundation (non-profit corporation) in a public-private partnership to develop Denison.

### Who's who?

The DDA board  
Chairman  
Robert Crawley

Board members  
Robert Sylvester, Harry  
Kirshman, Mike Broyles  
and Andy Wilkins

DDA President  
Tony Kaai  
Vice President of Business  
Development

Scott Smathers  
Vice President of Operations

Loretta Rhoden  
Contact  
(903) 464-0883  
www.denisontx.com

### The sales tax

Voters passed this tax in January 1996. It is designed to provide incentives to bring in new companies and provide funds to help existing industries

### How DDA works

The corporation takes in annual sales tax revenues of about \$1 million. City Councilors approve the budget, but most DDA decisions

## Sherman Economic Development Corporation

**The Sherman Economic Development Corp.**, known as SEDCO, is the non-profit corporation administering the city's economic development sales tax.

### The sales tax

Voters passed this tax in November of 1995. It is designed to promote, assist and enhance the economic development activities for the city of Sherman. The tax is collected via a three-eighths of a cent per dollar sales tax. It went into effect April 1, 1996.

### The investment

SEDCO uses the funds to create or retain primary jobs: Companies for which a majority of the products or services of that company are ultimately exported to regional, statewide, national or international markets infusing new dollars into the local economy.

### How SEDCO works

The corporation takes in annual sales tax revenues and awards incentive contracts to prospective businesses that

meet its criteria based on jobs creation and capital investment. Its primary targets are manufacturing, industrial research and development, warehouses, corporate headquarters (facilities and distribution centers.) It also contributes funding to infrastructure improvements, land, marketing and workforce development for expanding business enterprises, as well as work force training.

### Who's Who?

SEDCO Board:

Andy Olmstead, Chairman  
Joe Fallon Jr.  
Kelly Bickerstaff  
Greg Kirkpatrick  
Rad Richardson  
SEDCO President  
John Boswell  
SEDCO Vice President  
Frank Gadek  
Administrative Assistant  
Darlene Brown  
Contact  
307 W. Washington St.  
(903) 868-2566  
The Board serves from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30. It meets at 7:30 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month.

## Housing Authority

Several avenues are available for housing for low-income residents.

**The Texoma Council of Governments** provides information about public housing assistance, rent subsidies and weatherization programs as well as temporary energy assistance.

Phone: (800) 258-1618

**Sherman Housing Authority** accepts applications Monday through Thursday 10 to 11:30 a.m. and 2 to 3:30 p.m. The office is located at 2001 N. Hoard Ave., Sherman.


Phone: (903) 893-3139

**Denison Housing Authority** accepts applications from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday except for the first five days of each month. The office is located at 330 N. 8th Avenue in Denison.

Phone: (903) 465-2650

Housing Authority of Grayson County also accepts applications for Section 8 housing assistance. Apply Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. until noon. The office is located at 1708 W. Houston St. in Sherman.

Phone: (903) 892-8717



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