

City Council Minutes
Tuesday, February 25, 2025

On the 25th day of February 2025, at 6:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in a Regular Meeting at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson	)	Mayor
John Miller	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Cathy Brotherton	)	Councilmember
Gary N. Waldron)	
Jon McKenzie)	
Jimmy Meeks)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle	)	City Attorney
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Chris Connolly	)	Executive Director of Economic Development
Steve Niekamp	)	Chief of Police
Michelle Lazo	)	Executive Director of Planning and Development
Kyle Gordon	)	Executive Director of Community Services

With the following Councilmember absent: Councilmember Cobern, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and Mayor Pro Tem Miller gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were given.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton presented the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting noting the City has received the award for the past 50 consecutive years and is one of only three Texas cities to receive the award. He recognized and thanked Managing Director of Finance Paul Brown and his staff for all their hard work to achieve this award.

2. Presentation and acceptance of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) by Forvis Mazars, LLP

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton introduced auditing firm Forvis Mazars Partner Rachel Ormsby who noted the audit's completion and provided an overview of the FY 2024 Audit including the audit scope and results, future pronouncements, and financial overview.

Ms. Ormsby stated the City received unmodified “clean” opinions and also noted implementation of GASB 100. She also noted accounting updates coming up to GASB 104. Ms. Ormsby noted the significant achievement by the finance staff in receiving the Government Finance Officers Association’s award noting a true testament to staff and their stewardship. She reviewed the General Fund unassigned balance and the TMRS Pension Fund noting a healthy balance.

PERSON(S) TO BE HEARD

3. Rita White, requested to speak regarding code enforcement, Feragne Villa, 755 Mid Cities Blvd, Hurst

Mayor Wilson recognized Rita White, 3840 Rolling Meadows, Bedford who expressed her concerns regarding code enforcement and her business and provided handouts to the Council regarding code compliance activity and alcohol regulations. Mayor Wilson noted this is a staff matter, City Manager Caruthers advised her attorney is working with the city attorney, and City Attorney Matthew Boyle responded to facts pertaining to her inspections and requested she allow an inspection to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Consider approval of the minutes for the February 11, 2025 Council meetings
5. Consider authorizing city manager to enter into an annual agreement with Xtreme Hygiene for citywide restroom deep cleaning and sanitation

Mayor Pro Tem Miller moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron

No: None

RESOLUTION(S)

6. Consider Resolution 1878 regarding application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for 2022 Competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits for “Liberty Senior Living”

Mayor Wilson noted the resolution of full support provided in the work session to consider for a vote and that support is necessary to secure extra points. He recognized Wallace Reed 15799 Breedlove Place, Addison, Texas and Melissa Fisher, 2821 Lovers Lane, Dallas, Texas who provided an overview of the tax credit process and the amenities of similar projects they have completed. In response to Council questions, Ms. Fisher stated they have sold a few complexes, but their intent is to always build and hold. Mr. Reed noted locations of several properties. Mayor Wilson noted a resolution of full support is not a guarantee for zoning.

Mayor Pro Tem Miller moved to approve Resolution 1878 stating support regarding application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for 2025 Competitive 9% Housing Tax Credits for “Liberty Senior Living” as presented in work session. Motion seconded by Councilmember McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron

No: None

OTHER BUSINESS

7. Consider authorizing the city manager to proceed with the Hurst Athletics Center Fence Replacement Project and Goldsmith Construction Company and approved City contractors

Executive Director of Community Services Kyle Gordon reviewed the proposed fence replacement project noting the development agreement from 2004 that provides it is the City’s responsibility for maintenance of the fence. He noted the fence is aging and needs replacement and that no unauthorized gates will be replaced and staff will work individually to address. He reviewed the competitive proposal from Goldsmith Construction Company and that Ballard Tree Service will clear the fence line for repair.

Councilmember Brotherton moved to authorize the city manager to proceed with the Hurst Athletics Center Fence Replacement Project with Goldsmith Construction Company and approved City contractors for an amount not to exceed \$146,898.00. Motion seconded by Councilmember Meeks. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron

No: None

8. Consider authorizing the city manager to proceed with the Chisholm and Redbud Outdoor Fitness Equipment Replacement Project with Lea Park & Play, Inc. and approved City vendors

Assistant Director of Community Services Kristie Weaver reviewed the outdoor fitness replacement project noting the existing equipment was installed over 30 years ago. She reviewed proposed new and more modern equipment proposed by Lea Park & Play, Inc. for Chisholm and Redbud parks. In response to Council questions, Ms. Weaver stated they do not have a counter on the equipment to measure usage, but new software may have the ability in the future.

Councilmember Waldron moved to authorize the city manager to proceed with the Chisholm and Redbud Outdoor Fitness Equipment Replacement Project with Lea Park & Play, Inc. and approved City vendors for an amount not to exceed \$237,857.00. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Miller. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron

No: None

9. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into the annual street overlay program with Tarrant County

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton reviewed the proposed annual street overlay program with Tarrant County noting this year the two segments include Hurstview Drive from Harwood Dr to Circleview Dr. South and Glade Road from 150 feet west of David Drive to 150 east of Hurstview Drive. He noted the Trinity River Authority (TRA) has identified a possible leak on Glade Road, so this project might be delayed to allow them to repair the leak before improvements are made.

Councilmember Waldron moved to authorize the city manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County for the 2025 Street Overlay Program, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. Motion seconded by Councilmember McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron
No: None

10. Consider authorizing the city manager to purchase road maintenance materials from Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. through an existing Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton reviewed the existing Interlocal Agreement with Tarrant County for road maintenance materials and the proposed purchase for \$50,000 is to provide necessary product for upcoming road projects within the city.

Councilmember McKenzie moved to authorize the city manager to purchase cement slurry and cementitious slurry products from Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. through an existing ILA with Tarrant County. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron
No: None

11. Consider approval of the Order of Cancellation of the May 3, 2025 General Election and declare each unopposed candidate elected

Councilmember Meeks moved to approve the Order of Cancellation of the May 3, 2025 General Election and declare each unopposed candidate elected. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Miller. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McKenzie, Brotherton, Meeks, Miller and Waldron
No: None

12. Board, Commission, and Committee Minutes – Council reviewed the following minutes:
- Parks and Recreation Board
 - Library and Cultural Enrichment Board

13. Review of upcoming calendar items – City Manager Clay Caruthers reviewed the future events calendar provided in the packet.
14. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest – Councilmember Meeks noted the upcoming retirement of Battalion Chief Tracy Whistler and thanked him for his service to the community.

PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD – A REQUEST TO APPEAR CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE CITY SECRETARY TO BE RECOGNIZED. CITIZEN COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER

Mayor Wilson recognized students from Tarrant County College attending Ms. Reginald's Texas Government class, and Denise Fields, 501 Oak Park Drive, Hurst, Texas who complimented the police department and Hurst-Eules-Bedford Independent school district for the assistance to patrol activity at the Holder bridge by the Junior High School, noting it has made a difference.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Tex. Government Code Section 551.087 deliberation and conducting of economic development negotiations regarding financial information relative to prospective business expansion in the City, Section 551.071 consultation with and legal advice from the city attorney regarding Code Enforcement and Section 551.072 deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (Pipeline Road Project) and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Mayor Wilson did not recess the meeting to Executive Session.

15. Take any and all action necessary ensuing from Executive Session – No action was taken

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

APPROVED this the 11th day of March 2025.

ATTEST:



Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Henry Wilson, Mayor