

City Council Minutes
Tuesday, October 14, 2025

On the 14th day of October 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
Jon McKenzie	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Cathy Brotherton	)	Councilmembers
Gary N. Waldron)	
Trasa Cobern)	
Jimmy Meeks)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle	)	City Attorney
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Robert Saucedo	)	Executive Director of Public Works
Kyle Gordon	)	Executive Director of Community Services
Brent Craft	)	Fire Chief
Michelle Lazo	)	Executive Director of Planning and Development
Billy Keadle	)	Acting Police Chief
Tanya Wilson	)	Building Official

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and Councilmember Gary N. Waldron gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were given.

PERSON(S) TO BE HEARD

1. Taylor Kamps requested to speak regarding traffic concerns on W. Pleasantview Drive

Mayor Wilson recognized Ms. Taylor Kamps, 429 W. Pleasant View Drive, who provided council a handout on behalf of the residents of W. Pleasant View Drive expressing appreciation for efforts made by the city to address traffic concerns on their street during construction at LD Bell High School and freeway. Ms. Kamps also expressed residents' requests for additional action by the city to address their traffic concerns. Mayor Wilson and City Manager Clay Caruthers expressed their understanding of the increases in volume due to the construction projects, noted many of their concerns could be addressed in various ways, and reasons why speed humps and no thru street options were not viable. City Manager Caruthers advised of several options and the city's willingness to assist, as able, during the project. He also noted that although the freeway schedule for completion is 18 months, the frontage road closure causing the additional traffic is only scheduled to be shut nine months.

Ms. Kamps thanked Council for their efforts.

Mayor Wilson also recognized Joe Smith, 321 W. Pleasantview who expressed his belief the traffic trailer needs to be moved to the other end of Pleasantview, and Josh Holt, 452 W. Pleasantview who expressed his belief the signal lights at Hurstview and the freeway were causing traffic to back up and should be adjusted.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Consider approval of the minutes for the September 23, 2025 Council meetings
3. Consider Ordinance 2609, second reading, amending the Hurst Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 – Administration, Article IX. Public Safety and Infrastructure Committee by amending Section 2-221 – Purpose
4. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into an annual purchase agreement with Lowery Sand and Gravel to purchase topsoil, cushion sand and miscellaneous aggregate as needed
5. Consider authorizing the city manager to execute Change Order No. 1 for Precinct Line Road & Glenn Drive Water Improvement Project
6. Consider annual fleet replacement purchases for public works and public safety operations
7. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into purchase agreements with Galls, Got You Covered, and GT Distributors for Police Department uniforms and equipment
8. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a purchase agreement with Armstrong Forensic Laboratory, NMS Labs, and the Tarrant County Medical Examiner for evidence processing services

Mayor Wilson noted staff's request to table Agenda Item 4.

Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie moved to approve the consent agenda excluding Agenda Item 4. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

ORDINANCE(S)

9. Consider Ordinance 2610, first reading, amending Chapter 13, Municipal Court by amending and replacing sections relevant to the assessment and collection of reimbursement fees and court costs

City Secretary Rita Frick noted recent legislative changes regarding Municipal Court and reviewed the proposed ordinance combining the building security and technology fund and amending the failure to appear fee for warrant of arrest from \$50 to \$75.

Councilmember Cobern moved to approve Ordinance 2610, first reading, amending Chapter 13, Municipal Court. Motion seconded by Councilmember Meeks. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

RESOLUTION(S)

10. Consider Resolution 1897 denying Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC's Application to Increase System-Wide Transmission and Distribution Rates

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton reviewed the proposed resolution noting Oncor's original application filed in June seeking to increase system-wide transmission and distribution rates approximately 13% over present revenues. He noted Council's previous action to suspend the rate case and that October 29th marks the deadline for cities to act under the suspension previously approved. He stated staff is requesting the denial to allow the steering committee to settle the agreement.

Councilmember Brotherton moved to approve Resolution 1897 denying Oncor Electric Delivery Company, LLC's Application to Increase System-Wide Transmission and Distribution Rates. Motion seconded by Councilmember Waldron. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

OTHER BUSINESS

11. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Halff and Associates Inc. to amend Chapter 27 - Zoning in the Hurst Code of Ordinances

Executive Director of Planning and Development Michelle Lazo introduced Halff and Associates representative Brad Johnson who reviewed the proposed zoning chapter review process noting a lot of opportunities and challenges to address. He noted the update will allow a more streamlined and predictable process to help clarify with definitions and pictures. Mr. Johnson reviewed the proposed four phases of the process. In response to Councilmember's questions, Ms. Lazo stated it will allow for a better business and customer service experience by clarifying definitions and as an example, it would make it easier on the businesses to understand what type of signage they can permit versus relying on staff to interpret. Also, it will give Council and Planning and Zoning Commission the opportunity to look at current uses and what they may or may not want, and make it easier at the customer counter to provide information. Mr. Johnson stated the intent statements he mentioned earlier will help individuals not trained in technical verbiage to understand the overall intent of the code along with pictures. He stated ultimately when you drill down, the code language is still technical in that you have to have clear legal language.

Councilmember McKenzie moved to authorize the city manager to enter into a contract with Halff and Associates Inc. to amend Chapter 27 – Zoning in the Hurst Code of Ordinances.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Meeks. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

12. Consider authorizing the city manager to proceed with the Central Aquatics Center slide removal project with approved city contractors

Executive Director of Community Services Kyle Gordon reviewed the proposed slide removal project noting the slides to be removed were part of the 1996 aquatic park and were still functional during the 2017 renovation project due to being structurally okay at that time. He stated they are now seeing major issues with maintenance and structure and the cost to repair the slides is between \$115,000 to \$125,000 on top of the approximate \$250,000 invested over the last 10 years. He reviewed admission data from 2019 indicating utilization at Central Aquatics is decreasing as Chisholm Aquatics increases. He stated staff contacted a feasibility consultant regarding the removal of the slides and that they confirmed the slides should be removed. Mr. Gordon reviewed the proposed project scope and funding sources for the total cost for demolition, landscaping, and associated repairs is \$300,000. City Manager Clay Caruthers noted this is a tangible example of priority-based budgeting discussed in the budget work session and that staff is doing everything they can to make sound fiscal policies. He stated the existing equipment has years left in funding payments and that another decision will need to be made at that time. In response to Councilmember questions, Mr. Gordon reviewed current slide costs for new purchases and that they were fortunate this year's failures happened at the end of the season. He stated the fiberglass repairs have no warranty. Assistant City Manager Malaika Farmer stated this item did go to the Park Board and that they overall agreed and understood cost efficiencies. She stated they recognized some children will miss the features but understood the business decision.

Councilmember Waldron moved to authorize the city manager to proceed with the Central Aquatics Center slide removal project with approved City contractors for an amount not to exceed \$300,000. Motion seconded by Councilmember Cobern. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

13. Consider authorizing the city manager to purchase one fire apparatus and one ambulance

Fire Chief Brent Craft reviewed the proposed fire truck and ambulance purchase noting they plan to replace the current front line 202 aerial apparatus with the same Sutphen brand. He reviewed the current rotation process of 10 years and then they go to reserve. Chief Craft also noted the 36-month production time and cost of \$2,268,046. City Manager Caruthers noted payment options available and that the most advantageous is to pay upon delivery. Chief Craft stated staff will come back at a later date for the equipment items. He stated the proposed ambulance purchase is to replace the existing unit with the exact model and it has a production time of fifteen months and a cost of \$365,375 and is currently budgeted in this year's budget. City Manager Caruthers reviewed the rotation process noting that the unit goes into reserve, but it is still utilized as backup and then rotated out of service. Chief Craft noted that post pandemic the fire truck was about \$1.4 million and has almost increased by

\$1 million. Mr. Caruthers noted this is no different than your home budget and inflation is real for the City. Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie expressed he was glad people could hear the inflation costs and that staff is doing due diligence to look at every opportunity to reduce funding and enhance the fleet while keeping everyone safe.

Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie moved to authorize the city manager to purchase one (1) fire apparatus and one (1) ambulance from approved vendors in the amount of \$2,633,421. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

14. Consider authorizing the city manager to purchase new replacement cubicles for Engineering and GIS and to authorize any associated electrical and data cabling work

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton reviewed the proposed cubicle replacement project noting the existing cubicles are close to 30 years old, torn, and the conduit cabling does not stay connected. He noted the change in organizational workflow and that new cubicles will enhance the current work flow.

Councilmember Brotherton moved to authorize the city manager to purchase new cubicles from Preferred Business Solutions and authorize any cabling and electrical work via existing City contracts in an amount not to exceed \$53,713.00 which includes a 10% contingency. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

15. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a Second Amendment to Contract 2724 for the Hazardous Waste Program with the City of Fort Worth

Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton reviewed the amendment to Contract 2724 noting the price increase from \$95 to \$125 per person. He reviewed resident usage and the benefits of offering the program for the City and residents.

Councilmember Meeks moved to authorize the city manager to enter into a Second Amendment to Contract 2724 for the Hazardous Waste Program with the City of Fort Worth. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

16. Consider rescinding the June 24, 2025 Order regarding 1016 Mountain Terrace, Hurst, TX 76053, and legally described as Woodland Park Twnhms Addition, Block 1 Lot 67 & Part of CE

Building Official Tanya Wilson provided an update on the construction progress and in response to Council questions, stated she did believe work would continue if the order was rescinded.

Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie moved to rescind the June 24, 2025 Order regarding 1016 Mountain Terrace, Hurst, TX 76053 and legally described as Woodland Park Twnhms Addition, Block 1 Lot 67 & Part of CE. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brotherton, McKenzie, Waldron and Meeks

No: Councilmember Cobern

17. Review of upcoming calendar items – Assistant City Manager Malaika Marion Farmer reviewed the future event calendar noting the upcoming Senior Center Craft Fair, Recreation Center Monster Mash and Library showcase.
18. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest – Councilmember Meeks expressed his appreciation to Ms. Kamps for representing her neighbors this evening. Councilmember Cobern expressed how great the National Night Out events were that she attended and Mayor Wilson concurred that the individual event forum is a great opportunity to get neighbors together.

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 Debbie Elam, co-owner of Nerdworks Services who stated she was in attendance this evening as part of her HEB Leadership Class requirement.

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 on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, 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


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

ADJOURNMENT

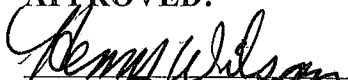
The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

APPROVED this the 11th day of November 2025.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Wilson, Mayor