

City Council Minutes
Tuesday, January 13, 2026

On the 13th day of January 2026, 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
John Miller)	
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
Billy Keadle	)	Police Chief
Tanya Wilson	)	Building Official

With the following Councilmembers absent: Gary N. Waldron, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

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

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were given.

PROCLAMATION(S) AND PRESENTATION(S)

1. Proclamation and presentation of City of Hurst flag flown at half-staff in memory of former Police Chief Steve Niekamp

Mayor Wilson read and presented a proclamation that recognized the service and life of former Police Chief Steve Niekamp and Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie presented the flag flown at half-staff in memory to Chief's wife Angela. City Manager Clay Caruthers noted Chief would have received his 35-year service award this month and presented his service recognition to Ms. Niekamp. Mayor and Council noted the exemplary service and positive impact Chief Niekamp had on the community during his tenure.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Consider approval of the minutes for the December 9 and 16, 2025 Council meetings
3. Consider ratifying the city manager's authorization of emergency repairs for Cumberland Drive water line repair

4. Consider authorizing the city manager to purchase equipment that supports the City's park system and special event programming from Kraftsman Commercial Playgrounds & Water Parks and approved City vendors
5. Consider authorizing the city manager to donate retired police vehicles to the City of Euless for the Hurst-Euless-Bedford Independent School District Elementary School Resource Officer program
6. Consider authorizing the city manager to purchase fleet services equipment

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

7. Conduct a Public Hearing and consider whether to order the repair, removal, or demolition of the substandard building and forced abatement of all violations located at 1129 Desiree Lane, Hurst, Texas 76053, legally described as Richland Oaks Subdivision Block P Lot 12, and whether to cause the cost of such work to be paid and levied as a special assessment against the property

Mayor Wilson announced the public hearing to consider whether to order the repair, removal, or demolition of the substandard building and forced abatement of all violations located at 1129 Desiree Lane, Hurst, Texas 76053, legally described as Richland Oaks Subdivision Block P Lot 12, and whether to cause the cost of such work to be paid and levied as a special assessment against the property and recognized Building Official Tanya Wilson who reviewed the case noting the property has serious structural issues and has been vacant since July of 2022. and the City has been maintaining the property since March 2024 and unable to locate someone to take responsibility. Ms. Wilson noted letters sent and posted notices with no one coming forward. She stated staff is requesting to move forward to demolish and remove all improvements on the property. In response to Councilmember questions, Ms. Wilson advised approximately \$15,000 in City liens have been filed since 2022.

Councilmember Miller moved to re-adopt the prior findings regarding the Property at 1129 Desiree Lane, finding and declaring that the buildings remain substandard and unfit for human habitation and accordingly authorize the City to proceed with the demolition of all improvements and to place a lien on the property to secure the recovery of the City's costs. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

8. Conduct a Public Hearing and consider whether to order the repair, removal, or demolition of the substandard building and forced abatement of all violations located at 1324 W. Redbud Drive, Hurst, Texas 76053, legally described as Hurst Hills Addition, Block 13 Lot 7, and whether to cause the cost of such work to be paid and levied as a special assessment against

the property

Mayor Wilson announced the public hearing to consider whether to order the repair, removal, or demolition of the substandard building and forced abatement of all violations located at 1324 W. Redbud Drive, Hurst, Texas 76053, legally described as Hurst Hills Addition, Block 13 Lot 7, and whether to cause the cost of such work to be paid and levied as a special assessment against the property and recognized Building Official Tanya Wilson who reviewed the case noting the property has been vacant for at least one and one-half years, leaving the City to maintain the property since July of 2024. Ms. Wilson noted a fire at the property in 2023 and that the house has been boarded due to vandalism. She stated liens of approximately \$16,000 and that the owner is deceased and no one has come forward after letters and notices. Ms. Wilson stated staff is requesting to move forward to demolish and remove all improvements on the property

Councilmember Meeks moved to re-adopt the prior findings regarding the Property at 1324 W. Redbud Drive, finding and declaring that the building remains substandard and unfit for human habitation and accordingly authorize the City to proceed with the demolition of the improvements and to place a lien on the property to secure the recovery of the City's costs. Motion seconded by Councilmember Brotherton. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

No: None

RESOLUTION(S)

9. Consider Resolution 1907 calling the May 2, 2026 General Election of Officers

City Secretary Rita Frick reviewed the proposed resolution calling the May 2, 2026 General Election of Officers.

Councilmember Brotherton moved to approve Resolution 1907 calling the May 2, 2026 General Election of Officers. Motion seconded by Councilmember Miller. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Brotherton, Meeks, McKenzie, Miller and Cobern.

No: None

OTHER BUSINESS

10. Review of upcoming calendar items – City Manager Clay Caruthers reviewed the Future Events Calendar noting City offices would be closed until 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 14 and closed all day on Monday, January 19 for the holiday.
11. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest – No reports.

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 – No one spoke.

EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Government Code, Section 551.087 deliberation and conducting of economic development negotiations regarding financial information relative to prospective business expansion in the City, and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session. Mayor Wilson did not recess to Executive Session.

12. Take any and all action ensuing from Executive Session

As stated by the city attorney Councilmember Miller moved to approve the Amendment to the Agreement with Rehab Warriors consistent with our discussions in Executive Session and authorize the City Manager to take all necessary action. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

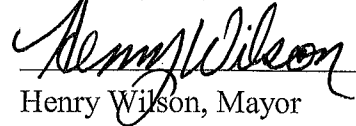
APPROVED this the 27th day of January 2026.

ATTEST:



Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Henry Wilson, Mayor