

Minutes
Hurst City Council
Work Session
Tuesday, February 24, 2026

On the 24th day of February 2026, at 5:45 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson	)	Mayor
Jon McKenzie	)	Mayor Pro Tem
John Miller	)	Councilmembers
Gary N. Waldron)	
Jimmy Meeks)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Kaitlen Cerney	)	City Attorney
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Robert Saucedo	)	Executive Director of Public Works
Billy Keadle	)	Police Chief
Chris Connolly	)	Executive Director of Economic Development
Paul Brown	)	Managing Director of Finance and Accounting

With the following Councilmembers absent: Cathy Brotherton and Trasa Cobern, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

The work session items were discussed in the following order: II, IV, VI, and V. The remaining items were not discussed in work session.

II. Informational Items

- **Update and discussion of upcoming Calendar Items** – City Manager Clay Caruthers noted several upcoming calendar items including the HEB Rotary Golf Tournament, Serving Our Seniors luncheon, Police Department Banquet, Volunteer Day at the Coffee Shop and the Club House for Special Needs event.
- **Presentation and discussion of Annual Racial Profiling Report** – Chief Billy Keadle presented the annual Racial Profiling Report as required by statute and noted very little difference between the 2024 and 2025 report numbers. He noted traffic stops doubled and explained how the data is collected and compared nationally.
- **Update and discussion of water meter change out project** – Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton provided an update on the Water Meter Change Project noting the change out is almost complete and software training will start in a week. He stated the goal is to make the conversion as seamless for the customer as possible. Additionally, there will be a blackout period for some new customers and those enrolled in autopay. He stated they plan to open in April and will communicate the transition.

III. Update and discussion of Regular Agenda Items

IV. Update and discussion of Agenda Item(s) 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' Josh Findlay and Kelsey Blacksheer who provided an overview of FY 2025 Audit including the audit scope and results, future pronouncements, and financial overview. Mr. Findlay stated the City received unmodified "clean" opinions and also noted implementation of a number of new pronouncements over the next couple of years. He noted he would provide additional details in the regular session. Mr. Findlay noted the significant achievement by the finance staff in receiving the Government Finance Officers Association's award and reviewed several new GASB Standards.

V. Update and discussion of Agenda Item(s) 4

Consider authorizing the city manager to proceed with expenditures for building repairs for property at 121 W. Pipeline Road

Executive Director of Economic Development Chris Connolly briefed Council on the proposed funds for building repairs at the Bellvue Addition building with the goal of spending the first six months' rents to keep the property to standards. He noted a recent plumbing issue that has been fixed.

VI. Update and discussion of Agenda Item(s) 5

Consider approval of the Order of Cancellation of the May 2, 2026 General Election and declare each unopposed candidate elected

City Secretary Rita Frick presented Council the Certificate of Unopposed Candidates noting Council will consider the Order of Cancellation of the May 2, 2026 General Election during regular meeting. Ms. Frick also noted the May 2, 2026 Special Election to consider Charter amendments and due to state law, the unopposed candidates declared elected will be listed on the special election ballot.

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 Section 551.071 consultation with and legal advice from the city attorney regarding Code Enforcement, economic development, real estate, and zoning 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 and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session

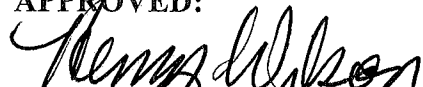
~~VII. ADJOURNMENT~~ –The Work Session adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED this the 10th day of March 2026.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Wilson, Mayor