

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THE 23RD DAY OF JANUARY 2024, AT THE HUNTSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY, LOCATED AT 1219 13th STREET, IN THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, COUNTY OF WALKER, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M.

The Council met in a special session with the following:

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Humphrey, Councilmember At-Large Position 1 Lyle, Councilmember Ward 1 Fossum, Councilmember At-Large Position 2 Denman, Councilmember Ward 2 Cox, Councilmember Ward 3 Antwine, Councilmember At-Large Position 4 Graham, Councilmember Ward 4 Strong.

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie

OFFICERS PRESENT: Aron Kulhavy, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

MAIN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

CALL TO ORDER (6:00 p.m.)

Mayor Humphrey called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES - *U.S. Flag and Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one, and indivisible.*

Mayor Humphrey gave the invocation and led the pledges.

PROCLAMATION

- a. Proclamation No. 2024-01: Crime Stoppers Month.
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

PRESENTATION

- a. Recognize Jessica Lacy for her work at the Sam Houston Statue Visitor's Center.
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

1. CONSENT AGENDA

The presiding officer will call for public comments before action is taken on these items. (Approval of Consent Agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendations. An item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion by request of a member of Council.)

- a. Consider approving the Minutes from the December 19, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. Consider ratifying the award of a contract for the emergency purchase of new

pumping equipment and installation at Water Well 19 located at 3391 Autumn Road.

Brent Sherrod, Public Works Director

c. Consider approval of a purchase order for outfitting police patrol vehicles

Wade Roberts, Sergeant

Darryle Slaven, Police Chief

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, items a through c. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bert Lyle. The motion passed 8-0. Yes - Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Bert Lyle, Jon Strong, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Pat Graham, Casey Cox; No – None.

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

a. Consider the appointments to the City of Huntsville Boards and Commissions for vacant board positions.

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Councilmember Bert Lyle made a motion to appoint Board and Commission members as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 8-0. Yes - Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Bert Lyle, Jon Strong, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Pat Graham, Casey Cox; No – None

BOARD NAME	SEAT #	APPOINT/ REAPPOINT	BOARD MEMBER	TERM EXPIRES
AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD				
	6	Appoint	Jon Strong	08-31-2024
TIRZ				
	Chair	Appoint	Ken Holland	

4. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

None

5. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor and Council announced Items of Community Interest.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 to receive legal advice on the petitions for condemnation in Cause No. 2230554: City of Huntsville, Texas v. Jerry Ellisor and Byron Ellisor; In the 12th District Court of Walker County, Texas; and Cause No. 2230555: City of Huntsville, Texas v. Edwin Thomason, et al; In the 278th District Court of Walker County, Texas.

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

- b. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 to receive legal advice on Cause No. 2230703, City of Huntsville vs. Architects Design Group/ADG, Inc. in the 278th District Court, Walker County, Texas.
Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

City Council convened in closed session at 6:19 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

City Council reconvened from Executive Session into Open Session at 7:55 p.m.

Councilmember Karen Denman made a motion to approve the settlement with Jerry Ellisor and Byron Ellisor for the condemnation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bert Lyle. The motion passed 8-0. Yes - Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Bert Lyle, Jon Strong, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Pat Graham, Casey Cox; No - None.

Councilmember Karen Denman made a motion to authorize staff to settle the Edwin and Sandy Thomason condemnation case. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bert Lyle. The motion passed 8-0. Yes - Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Bert Lyle, Jon Strong, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Pat Graham, Casey Cox; No - None.

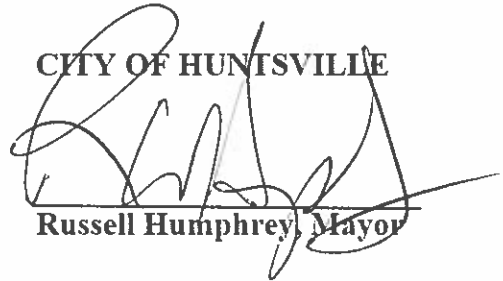
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:56 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kristy Doll, City Secretary



CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

Russell Humphrey, Mayor