

HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 21st DAY OF JANUARY 2025 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE SERVICE CENTER COMPLEX, LOCATED AT 448 HIGHWAY 75, IN THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS.

The City Council met in a workshop and regular session with the following:

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Humphrey, Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie, 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:

OFFICERS PRESENT: Sam Masiel, Interim City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary

OFFICERS ABSENT: Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

WORKSHOP (5:30 p.m.)

Mayor Humphrey called the workshop to order at 5:30 p.m.

DISCUSSION

- a. **Utility Impact Fees**
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer

MAIN SESSION CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Humphrey called the meeting to order at 6:00 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. 2025-01 Law Enforcement Appreciation**
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

- a. **Hold a public hearing to consider amending Chapter 24, Land Development, of the City of Huntsville, Texas, Code of Ordinances by adopting an amendment to Table 5-1, Residential Lot Size and Building Setback Regulations, introducing an alternative method for calculating apartment density.**
Kevin Byal, Director of Development Services.

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:07 p.m.

Kevin Byal presented the Development Code amendment regarding the density calculations.

Mayor Humphrey called for comments from the applicant, the applicant was not present therefore there were no comments from the applicant.

Mayor Humphrey called for citizen comments, there were no comments from the public.

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

- b. Hold a public hearing for a Development Plan for a Planned Development of 1,140.87-acre tract of land located adjacent to Veterans Memorial Parkway on Walker County Property ID's # 11382, 11394, 11417, 15912, 15914, 15915, 15919, 17467, 20696, 20701, 20702, 20703, 20706, 21344, 21347, 21348, 38208, 42930, 45677, 45678, 45680, 45682, 45683, 45685, 52771, 55265, 55884, 62370, 69465, 69467.**

Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

Layne Yeager presented the Development Plan for the planned Development, Legacy Pines.

Mayor Humphrey called for comments from the applicant. Applicant Mac Woodward spoke thanking the City staff for their help and assistance throughout the process.

Mayor Humphrey called for citizen comments, there were no comments from the public.

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing at 6:26 p.m.

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 Minutes from the January 7, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.**
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. Consider adoption of Ordinance 2025-3 to amend the budget for FY 24-25 and/or CIP Project Budgets.**
Steve Ritter, Finance Director
- c. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract to purchase a bypass pump and hosing for the Wastewater Division.**
Brent Sherrod, Public Works Director

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items a. through c. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 9 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; No: None

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. Consider approving and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Texas Settlement Participation & Release Form for Kroger in the Texas Opioid Litigation**
Steve Ritter, Finance Director

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion approving and authorizing the City Manager to execute the Texas Settlement Participation & Release Form for Kroger in the Texas Opioid Litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tore Fossum. The motion passed 9 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman,

Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; No: None

- b. **First Reading - Consider adopting Ordinance 2025-4, an ordinance amending Chapter 24, Land Development, of the City of Huntsville, Texas, Code of Ordinances by amending Table 5-1, Residential Lot Size and Building Setback Regulations, introducing an alternative method for calculating apartment density.**
Kevin Byal, Director of Development Services.

First reading, no action taken.

- c. **Consider approving the Development Plan for the Legacy Pines Planned Development. A 1,140.87-acre tract of land located adjacent to Veterans Memorial Parkway on Walker County Property ID's #11382, 11394, 11417, 15912, 15914, 15915, 15919, 17467, 20696, 20701, 20702, 20703, 20706, 21344, 21347, 21348, 38208, 42930, 45677, 45678, 45680, 45682, 45683, 45685, 52771, 55265, 55884, 62370, 69465, 69467.**
Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to approve the presented Development Plan for the Legacy Pines Development. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tore Fossum. The motion passed 9 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; No: None

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

- a. **Consider the 259 petition pages for a Local Option Liquor Election for the "The Legal Sale of all Alcoholic Beverages Including Mixed Beverages" filed with the City Secretary on December 30, 2024. The 259 page Petition had 3,696 signatures and 2,529 verified and accepted signatures meeting the minimum number of required signatures.**
Kristy Doll, City Secretary.

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to declare the 259 petition pages for a Local Option Liquor Election for the "The Legal Sale of all Alcoholic Beverages Including Mixed Beverages" filed with the City Secretary on December 30, 2024. The 259 page petition had 3,696 signatures and 2,529 verified and accepted signatures; this petition does meet the minimum required number of signatures and is declared valid. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Karen Denman. The motion passed 9 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; No: None

4. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

None

5. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Councilmembers 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 551.074 – Personnel Matters: regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: City Manager.**
Russell Humphrey, Mayor
- b. **City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters: regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation,**

reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Municipal Court Prosecutor and Municipal Court Alternate Judge.
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

City Council convened into Executive Session at 6:38 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:16 p.m.

Mayor Humphrey nominated Angela Schimak Valis as Alternate Municipal Court Judge. The nomination was seconded by Councilmember Jon Strong. The nomination passed 9 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; No: None

ADJOURNMENT

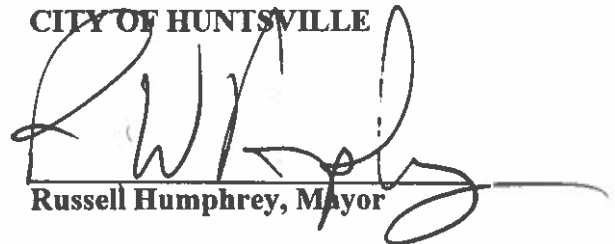
Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:17 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kristy Doll, City Secretary



CITY OF HUNTSVILLE


Russell Humphrey, Mayor