

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Vicki McKenzie, Mayor Pro Tem
Position 3 At-Large
Bert Lyle, Position 1 At-Large
Karen Denman, Position 2 At-Large
Pat Graham, Position 4 At-Large



Tore Fossum, Ward 1
Casey Cox, Ward 2
Anissa Antwine, Ward 3
Jon Strong, Ward 4

HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

REGULAR SESSION 6:00 P.M. - Main Conference Room

City of Huntsville Service Center Complex, 448 Highway 75 N, Huntsville, Texas, 77320

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's office (936.291.5413) two working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

MAIN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

PROCLAMATION

- a.** Proclamation No. 2025-02 Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month
Russell Humphrey, Mayor
- b.** Proclamation No. 2025-03 Fair Housing Month
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC HEARING

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 March 18, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b.** Consider adoption of Ordinance 2025-12 to amend the budget for FY 24-25 and/or CIP Project Budgets.
Lance Hall, Assistant Finance Director
- c.** Consider Resolution 2025-12 updating and reaffirming the City's Fair Housing Policy as required for continued program eligibility and compliance to administer various state and federal grants.
Ashley Brown, Grants Manager

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a.** Receive a presentation and consider accepting funds from the Friends of the Library for the Huntsville Public Library Makerspace Project.

Lisa Lance, City Librarian

- b. Discussion and possible consideration for the issuance of debt for \$15 million for Drainage Projects.
Lance Hall, Assistant Finance Director

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

- a. Discussion and possible consideration for fire truck graphics.
Casey Cox, Councilmember Ward 2
Vicki McKenzie, Councilmember At-Large Position 3
Bert Lyle, Councilmember At-Large Position 1

4. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

5. 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 380 Agreement with Zinc Point and Rock MFG, LLC.
Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

7. RECONVENE

Take action on item discussed in executive session, if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

*If during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, City Council determines that a Closed or Executive session of the Council is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 – consultation with counsel on legal matters; 551.072 – deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; 551.073 – deliberation regarding a prospective gift; 551.074 – personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; 551.076 – implementation of security personnel or devices; 551.087 – deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Sec. 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits; and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a Closed or Executive session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the City Council will reconvene in Open Session to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during Executive Session.

CERTIFICATE

I, Kristy Doll, City Secretary, do hereby certify that the above notice was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.HuntsvilleTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

DATE OF POSTING: March 28, 2025

Kristy Doll

TIME OF POSTING: 10:10 a.m.

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

TAKEN DOWN:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: a.

Agenda Item: Proclamation No. 2025-02 Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Council

Presenter:

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Recommended Motion:

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #1, Public Safety - Create a community where all individuals feel safe and protected, where citizens trust the effectiveness of our agencies through community engagement, technologies, and best practices. We strive to promote a culture of service, prevention and partnership.

Discussion: n/a

Previous Council Action: n/a

Financial Implications: n/a

Approvals:

Kristy Doll

Associated Information:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: b.

Agenda Item: Proclamation No. 2025-03 Fair Housing Month

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Recommended Motion: N/A

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #3, Quality of Life – Establish an environment where citizens can thrive and enjoy the city in which they live. Provide services that enhance the quality of life for all, with focus on the full life cycle (children, students, families, and retirees) - by creating amenities that support physical, mental and social well-being. Support access to quality health services, education, housing, transportation, recreation and natural environment.

Discussion: N/A

Previous Council Action:

Financial Implications:

Approvals:

Kristy Doll

Associated Information:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 1.a.

Agenda Item: Consider approving the Minutes from the March 18, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Secretary

Presenter:

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Recommended Motion: Motion to approve the Minutes from the March 18, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.

Strategic Initiative:

Discussion:

Previous Council Action:

Financial Implications:

Approvals:

Kristy Doll

Associated Information:

1. City Council Meeting Minutes 3-18-2025

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 18TH DAY OF MARCH 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 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: Councilmember Ward 1 Fossum

OFFICERS PRESENT: Scott Swigert, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

OFFICERS ABSENT:

WORKSHOP (5:00-5:45 p.m.)

DISCUSSION

- a. Community Meet and Greet with newly appointed City Manager Scott Swigert.

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.*

Councilmember Lyle gave the invocation, and Mayor Pro Tem McKenzie led the pledges.

PRESENTATIONS

- a. Oath of Office and Statement of Office for newly appointed City Manager Scott Swigert.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. Empty Bowls proceeds presentation to Walker County Senior Center Meals on Wheels Program.
Tammy Gann, Director of Economic Development

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 March 4, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. Consider Resolution 2025-9 authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept, if awarded, funding under the 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program, Texas Department of Transportation, for the Sycamore Avenue Widening Project.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer
- c. Consider Resolution 2025-10 authorizing the City Manager to submit for and accept, when awarded,

**funding under the FY24-25 Congressionally Directed Spending, Community Project Funding, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), for the N.B. Davidson Wastewater Treatment Plant.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

- d. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Aurora Technical Services for the Professional Engineering Services.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

Consent Agenda Item 1.d. was moved from the Consent Agenda to the Statutory Agenda for consideration.

- e. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) for the Professional Engineering Services.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

Consent Agenda Item 1.e. was moved from the Consent Agenda to the Statutory Agenda for consideration.

- f. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LJA Engineering for the Professional Engineering Services.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

Consent Agenda Item 1.f. was moved from the Consent Agenda to the Statutory Agenda for consideration.

- g. Consider approval of the purchase of hardware and services to replace aging network equipment per the City's IT hardware replacement schedule.
Bill Wavra, IT Director**

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items a., b., c., and g. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anissa Antwine. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

Items 1.d., 1.e., and 1.f. were moved from the Consent Agenda to the Statutory Agenda

- 1.d. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Aurora Technical Services for the Professional Engineering Services.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Aurora Technical Services for the Professional Engineering services. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

- 1.e. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) for the Professional Engineering Services.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer**

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) for the Professional Engineering Services Work Order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Casey Cox. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

1.f. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LJA Engineering for the Professional Engineering Services.

Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with LJA Engineering for the Professional Engineering Services Work Order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Casey Cox. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

a. Receive presentation from Pattillo, Brown, and Hill, LLP, CPAs concerning the audit and consider acceptance of the audit for FY 23-24.

Steve Ritter, Finance Director.

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to accept the FY 23-24 audit from Pattillo, Brown and Hill, LLP, CPAs. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

b. First Reading - Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-11, suspending the rates proposed by Centerpoint Energy Resources Corp., D/B/A Centerpoint Energy Entex and Centerpoint Energy Texas Gas Company's Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program filing made with the City on or about February 18, 2025.

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to suspend the two-reading requirement and adopt Ordinance No. 2025-11, suspending the rates proposed by Centerpoint Energy Resources Corp., D/B/A Centerpoint Energy Entex and Centerpoint Energy Texas Gas Company's Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program filing made with the City on or about February 18, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bert Lyle. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

a. Consider the appointments to the City of Huntsville Boards and Commissions.

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to appoint the Board and Commission members as presented. The motion

was

BOARD NAME	SEAT #	APPOINT/ REAPPOINT	BOARD MEMBER	TERM EXPIRES
Parks and Recreation				
	4	Appoint	Bradley Sherman	8/31/2026
Main Street				
	4	Appoint	Cody Rogers	8/31/2025
Tourism				
	2	Appoint	Megan Buro	8/31/2025

seconded by Councilmember Pat Graham. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

- b. Consider directing staff to amend Chapter 46 Utilities of the Huntsville Municipal Code, Article IV Stormwater Utility System, the Division 3 Stormwater Utility Fees.**
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to direct staff to complete required steps to amend Chapter 46 Utilities of the Huntsville Municipal Code, Article IV Stormwater Utility System, the Division 3 Stormwater Utility Fees, to revise rate schedules for school districts, religious organizations and county. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anissa Antwine. The motion passed 7 - 1.

roll call vote:

Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine

No: Casey Cox

- c. Consider Opposing Senate Bill 924 and House Bill 2479.**
Sam Masiel, Interim City Manager

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to authorize the City Manager to send an opposition letter to Senator Charles Schwertner opposing Senate Bill 924 and House Bill 2479. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jon Strong. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Casey Cox; No: None.

- d. Consider Resolution No. 2025-11 opposing legislation that eliminates the Countywide Polling Place Program, Electronic Poll Books, and Electronic Ballot Marking Devices.**
Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-11 Opposing the Elimination of Countywide Polling Place Program, Electronic Poll Books, and Electronic Ballot Marking Devices. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anissa Antwine. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Vicki McKenzie, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:06 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Russell Humphrey, Mayor



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 1.b.

Agenda Item: Consider adoption of Ordinance 2025-12 to amend the budget for FY 24-25 and/or CIP Project Budgets.

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:

Lance Hall, Assistant Finance Director

Recommended Motion: Move to adopt Ordinance 2025-12 to amend the budget for FY 24-25 and/or CIP Project budgets.

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #4, Infrastructure - Develop and maintain a comprehensive and well-planned infrastructure network that prepares for the challenges of the future and provides quality, modern and efficient, water, wastewater, drainage and transportation services.

Discussion: Detailed explanation for the Budget Amendments is provided in the attachment, Exhibit A, to the Ordinance. The Budget Amendments were discussed with the Finance Committee at their March 18, 2025 meeting.

Previous Council Action: No previous Council action for these budget amendments

Financial Implications: See the attached Ordinance 2025-12 and related Budget Amendment (Exhibit A).

Approvals:

Lance Hall
Sam Masiel
Scott Swigert
Leonard Schneider
Kristy Doll

Associated Information:

1. FY 25 ORDINANCE 12 Powell Foundation Equipment
2. BAs Equipment Road e o contribution and Powell Grant

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE 2024-2025 ANNUAL BUDGET AND/OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS (CIP) BUDGETS, ORDINANCE NO. 2024-24 TO AMEND ADOPTED EXPENDITURES OF THE BUDGET; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the 2024-2025 Annual Budget and CIP Budgets were adopted by Ordinance 2024-24 on September 17, 2024;

WHEREAS, various unforeseen circumstances affecting the City have presented themselves during the course of the fiscal year;

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the circumstances independently, deliberating appropriately on the associated revenues and expenditures and the overall impact on the general financial status of the City;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the laws of the State of Texas and the City Charter of the City of Huntsville, Texas, the City Council has determined that it will be beneficial and advantageous to the citizens of the City of Huntsville to amend the annual budget for fiscal year 2024 – 2025 and/or the Capital Improvements Projects (CIP) budget as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance combines the independent Council actions into one budget amendment document;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS, that:

Section 1. The findings set forth above are incorporated into the body of this ordinance.

Section 2. The annual budget for fiscal year 2024 – 2025 is hereby amended to include the expenditures and revenues in Exhibit “A” and/or the Capital Improvements Projects budget is hereby amended to include the expenditures described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and made a part of this ordinance as if set out verbatim herein.

Section 3. All ordinances of the City in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, and all other ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Should any section, portion, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, it shall not invalidate or impair the force or effect of any other section or portion of this ordinance.

Section 5. The necessity for amending the budget for the fiscal year 2024 – 2025 and/or Capital Improvements Projects, as required by the laws of the State of Texas, requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage, as the law in such cases provides.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 1st day of April 2025

THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Budget Amendments FY 24-25

City Council - April 1, 2025

Exhibit A

Increase: Purchased Services and Contracts -ROAD-E-O Contribution	\$	300
Decrease: Misc. Revenue -Contribution	\$	(300)

Explanation:	Hibbs/Todd Inc. gave the city a contribution in the amount of \$300.00 to help with the expenses of the city Road-E-O. The Road-E-O committee would like to use thses monies in the current 24-25 fiscal year. This budget amendment, if approved, will allow for the purchase/expenditure.
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Increase: Library SRF -Purchases Special Monies	\$	100,000
Increase: Library SRF - Grants	\$	100,000

Explanation:	The Powell Foundation has awarded a grant of \$100,000 to the Library Friends, who will give the granted funds to the City of Huntsville Library to establish a Makerspace within the Huntsville Public Library. The Library is prepared to use these grant funds to purchase the necessary items. Approval of this budget amendment will allow the grant funds to be utilized for these purchases.
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** The Library SRF Budget Amendment will only move forward to the full City Council if the City Council accepts the Grant. **



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 1.c.

Agenda Item: Consider Resolution 2025-12 updating and reaffirming the City's Fair Housing Policy as required for continued program eligibility and compliance to administer various state and federal grants.

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:

Ashley Brown, Grants Manager

Recommended Motion: Move to adopt Resolution 2025-12 to update and reaffirm the City's Fair Housing Policy as required for continued program eligibility and compliance to administer various state and federal grants.

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #3: Quality of Life Establish an environment where citizens can thrive and enjoy the city in which they live. Provide services that enhance the quality of life for all, with a focus on the full life cycle (children, students, families, and retirees)-by creating amenities that support physical, mental and social well-being. Support access to quality health services, education, housing, transportation, recreation and natural environment.

Discussion: The month of April has been designated as National Fair Housing Month to celebrate the passage of the Fair Housing Act on April 11, 1968, that made discrimination in housing transactions unlawful. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and familial status. The Act is intended to provide for fair housing throughout the country.

As a condition of the City to apply and receive various state and federal grants, the City must engage in at least one (1) Fair Housing activity per year. Council's acknowledgment to update and reaffirm the City's Fair Housing Policy will satisfy this specific requirement needed for continued grant eligibility and compliance to apply and administer various ongoing and future grant programs in the coming year.

Previous Council Action: Previous Resolution 2024-12 passed and approved on April 2, 2024, updated and reaffirmed the City's Fair Housing Policy.

Financial Implications: There is no financial impact associated with this item.

Approvals:

Lance Hall

Leonard Schneider

Sam Masiel

Scott Swigert

Kristy Doll

Associated Information:

1. 2025 Fair Housing Resolution 2025-12
2. Fair Housing Policy (English & Spanish versions)

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-12

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS, UPDATING AND REAFFIRMING THE CITY’S FAIR HOUSING POLICIES AS REQUIRED FOR THE CITY TO MAINTAIN VARIOUS CONTINUED GRANT PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AND COMPLIANCE MEASURES TO APPLY AND ADMINISTER VARIOUS STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS.

WHEREAS The City of Huntsville, in accordance with Section 109 of the Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act. (24 CFR 6); the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101-6107); and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and for construction contracts greater than \$10,000, must take actions to ensure that no person or group is denied benefits such as employment, training, housing, and contracts generated by state and federal grant activity, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability; and

WHEREAS The City of Huntsville, in accordance with Section 808(e)(5) of the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3608(e)(5)) that requires HUD-based programs and activities be administered in a manner affirmatively to further the policies of the Fair Housing Act, agrees to conduct at least two activities during an applicable contract period of all grant-funded projects; and

WHEREAS The City of Huntsville recognizes the significance of Fair Housing Month as an important time to acknowledge, better understand, and support equal housing opportunity, and encourages the continued commitment to fair housing in the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Texas, that:

SECTION 1: City’s fair housing policies to be updated and reaffirmed as required for the City to maintain continued grant program eligibility and compliance to apply for and administer various state and federal grants.

SECTION 2: The City of Huntsville, in consideration for the receipt and acceptance of federal and state funding, agrees to comply with all federal rules and regulations, including those rules and regulations governing civil rights protections.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 1st day of April 2025.

THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Fair Housing Policy

In accordance with Fair Housing Act, the City of Huntsville, Texas hereby adopts the following policy with respect to Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing:

1. The City of Huntsville, Texas agrees to affirmatively further fair housing choice for all seven protected classes (race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, and national origin).
2. The City of Huntsville, Texas agrees to perform at least two (2) activities during the contract term to affirmatively further fair housing.
3. The City of Huntsville, Texas will introduce and/or comply in the passage of a resolution adopting this policy.
4. The City of Huntsville's Grants Manager will be the City's Fair Housing Coordinator and will be the contact person should a local citizen need assistance in filing a Fair Housing act complaint.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the City Council for the City of Huntsville, Texas has read and fully agreed to this plan, and have become a party to the full implementation of this program.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 1st day of April 2025.

THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Política de vivienda justa

De acuerdo con la Ley de Vivienda Justa, la ciudad de Huntsville, Texas Por la presente adopta la siguiente política con respecto a la promoción afirmativa de la vivienda justa:

1. La ciudad de Huntsville, Texas está de acuerdo a afirmativamente promover la elección de vivienda justa para las siete clases protegidas (raza, color, religión, sexo, discapacidad, estado familiar y origen nacional).
1. La ciudad de Huntsville, Texas está de acuerdo a realizar al menos dos (2) actividades durante la vigencia del contrato para promover afirmativamente la vivienda justa.
2. La ciudad de Huntsville, Texas introducirá y/o cumplirá en la aprobación de una resolución que adopte esta política.
3. El Gerente de Subvenciones de la Ciudad de Huntsville será el Coordinador de Vivienda Justa de la ciudad y será la persona de contacto en caso de que un ciudadano local necesite ayuda para presentar una queja ante la Ley de Vivienda Justa.

QUE SE RESUELVA, que el Concejo Municipal de la ciudad de Huntsville, Texas, ha leído y aceptado plenamente este plan, y se ha convertido en parte de la implementación total de este programa.

PASADO Y APROBADO este 1º día de abril de 2025.

LA CIUDAD DE HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

Russell Humphrey, Alcalde

CERTIO:

APROBADO EN FORMA:

Kristy Doll, Secretaria Municipal

Leonard Schneider, Abogado Municipal



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 2.a.

Agenda Item: Receive a presentation and consider accepting funds from the Friends of the Library for the Huntsville Public Library Makerspace Project.

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Manager

Presenter:

Lisa Lance, City Librarian

Recommended Motion: Move to have the City Manager accept funds from the Friends of the Library for the Huntsville Public Library Makerspace Project.

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #3, Quality of Life – Establish an environment where citizens can thrive and enjoy the city in which they live. Provide services that enhance the quality of life for all, with focus on the full life cycle (children, students, families, and retirees) - by creating amenities that support physical, mental and social well-being. Support access to quality health services, education, housing, transportation, recreation and natural environment.

Discussion:

Through the incredible efforts of the Huntsville Public Library Friends Inc., it has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Powell Foundation to establish a Makerspace within the Huntsville Public Library. The Library Friends will give the grant funds to the City. The Powell Foundation is a private philanthropic organization dedicated to strengthening communities through investments in education, the arts, and civic initiatives. This funding will support the development of a collaborative, technology-driven space that encourages creativity, hands-on learning, and skill-building for residents of all ages.

A Makerspace is a dedicated area where people can gather to create, learn, and explore using shared tools, equipment, and technology. These spaces provide access to resources that may otherwise be out of reach for many individuals, enabling them to develop technical skills, experiment with new ideas, and engage in innovative problem-solving. The Huntsville Public Library Makerspace will serve as a hub for workforce development, lifelong learning, and community engagement by offering hands-on opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM). Programs will include workshops, after-school activities, and summer camps covering topics such as robotics, digital media, crafting, and more. The space will also encourage knowledge-sharing across generations by involving local experts, educators, and enthusiasts in mentoring and training roles.

The mission of the Huntsville Public Library Makerspace is to provide access to STEAM

resources and educational opportunities, sparking curiosity and creating substantial learning experiences that have a lasting impact. The grant funding will be allocated toward equipment, technology, software, and necessary infrastructure improvements, with additional resources dedicated to staffing and volunteer coordination to ensure long-term sustainability. With this investment, the Huntsville Public Library will become a center for innovation and discovery, bridging people, skills, and experiences to enhance learning and strengthen the community.

Previous Council Action:

Financial Implications:

Approvals:

Sam Masiel
Scott Swigert
Kristy Doll

Associated Information:

1. Huntsville Makerspace Presentation 03.18.25

The Road to Participatory Learning in Huntsville

Huntsville Public Library Makerspace
Funded by The Powell Foundation

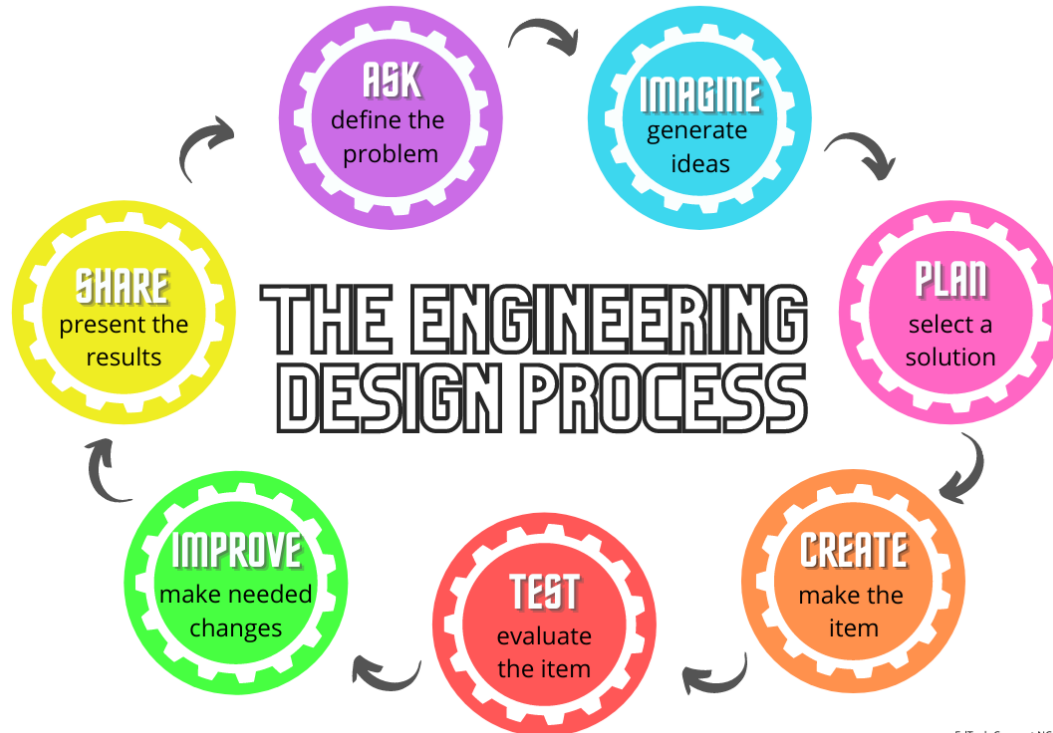
Makerspace

Webster defines a Makerspace as a place in which people with shared interests, especially computing or technology, can gather to work on projects while sharing ideas, equipment, and knowledge.

Mission Statement:

Provide access to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) resources, experiences and education to the Huntsville community, sparking curiosity and providing substantial informal learning opportunities to the citizens of Huntsville.

The Engineering Design Process



3D Printer

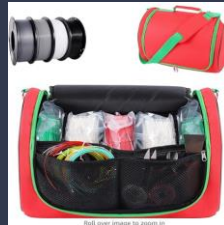
MakerBot Sketch & MakerBot Sketch Large

MakerBot has cloud printing which allows users to queue the print jobs to different printers from any device. This will allow us to have 1 computer for multiple machines and allow the computers to be used for other functions while the printer is working. It also means that we can set up our 3 library computers and any future laptops to also allow printing from them. With this function, now any device can allow printing to the 3D printer once we add them as a member.

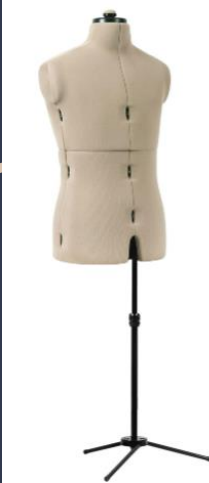
Scheduled printing time allotments based on needs and abilities.



3D printer accessories



Sewing/ Craft space



SE2000

Combo Sewing and Embroidery Machine

- Link to Artspira and receive 50 free designs! Nov 1- Jan 1
- 5" x 7" Maximum embroidery area
- 193 built-in embroidery designs and 241 built-in sewing stitches

★★★★★ 4.7 (63) [Write a review](#) [Ask a question](#)

Your Price

\$1,499.99

[WHERE TO BUY](#)

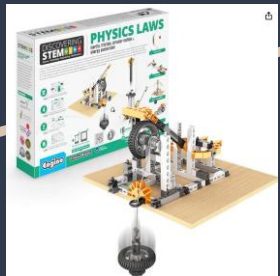
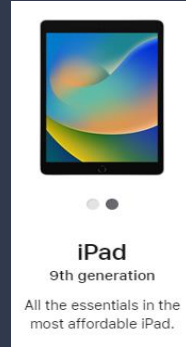
OUT OF STOCK



53-1/2"H x 27"W x 27"D Tower with 32 Tubs



Robotics & Engineering



Ipads - to coordinate with the various coding and device controlled technology to allow everyone to play.

STEM Legos- With these Discovering STEM kits, it is more than just legos. Each kit is centered around a focus including [Fluid Dynamics](#), [Mechanics](#)- levers, linkages & structures, [Mechanics](#)- cams & cranks, [Architecture](#), [Physics Laws](#), and [Bridges](#). Each kit offers 6 or more different building options all around each kit's theme. All parts and instructions are included.

[Junior Engineers](#)- With this pack of 7 models, specifically designed for junior engineers, the younger children gets hands on experience reading instructions, handling plastics screws, bolts, and a screwdriver to build a preset model.

In addition to our STEM Lego kits, we will invest in regular Lego kits. This will allow children more room for creativity and unstructured play.



Robotics & engineering



Architecture- [MindWare Art-chitect Home Model Building](#) With this Architect home model, everyone can learn what it takes to become an architect and start designing their dream home.

Robotics- [Robots Rumble!](#) With this kit, there are 5 different robot building options with instructions. This 2 player kit allows pairs to build their robots and then battle each other using remote controls from any device.

Coding- [Robot Master Coding](#)- Need to add a tablet or phone with this. Allows the kids to build the robot, remote control it with the free app, learn how to write code, and the ability to code the robot on your own.

Electrical engineering- [Dr. STEM Toys Circuit Science Kit](#) With this circuit science kit that comes with over 100 electrical experiments. Whether someone is aspiring to be an electrician or an electrical engineer, everyone is sure to learn a ton while having fun!

Mechanical engineering- [Playz V8 Combustion Engine Model](#) This engine model allows everyone to come in, learn how an engine works, and get hands on building experience. Whether they want to become a mechanic or a mechanical engineer, this model will get them on the right path.

Cricut Venture



Cricut Venture All in One

Programs and uses for the machine include but are not limited to:

- T-shirt design making
- Custom card making
- Poster creation
- Vinyl wall decoration making



AWE Learning Stations



Bilingual Spanish or French Early Literacy Station Platinum

BLS or BLF Platinum are for ages 2-8, offers content in both English, Spanish or French. BLS or BLF Platinum is perfect for English Language Learners (ELLs) working on improving their English language fluency.



- ★ Designed for ages 2-8
- ★ Focused on early literacy for English Language Learners
- ★ Available In Spanish or French

What's Included on Platinum V3 Workstations?

- ★ **Award-winning STREAM-aligned content**
No internet required, creating a safe learning environment
- ★ **Pre-loaded and Plug-and-Play**
Little set up means more time for learning
- ★ **All-In-One Desktop & Tablet options**
- ★ **3-year warranty included with All-in-One**
4th & 5th year warranty available
- ★ **Access to the Customer Portal**
Easily retrieve utilization statistics to show ROI
- ★ **ELF Child-Safe Browser**
Access carefully vetted educational websites
- ★ **Coding content**
- ★ **NEW avatars, animations, and interfaces**
- ★ **Content Add-On Bundles available**
Purchase an Add-On Bundle to offer more content
- ★ **Coding Add-On available**
Add 200+ coding activities
- ★ **Homeschooler and programming resources**
Use our supplementary resources to enhance your programs

RoboGarden

Exclusive AWE Learning Partner!

Coding now available on Early Literacy Station™ Platinum, Bilingual Spanish Literacy Station, and AfterSchool Edge™.

**AWE
LEARNING**

RoboGarden is an easy to understand, hands-on educational software title where students take part in *active learning*. Fully equipped to teach coding literacy from scratch, RoboGarden reduces the need for a tech-savvy teacher.

1 Journey, *Get to Know the World in the Party*, is included on all Platinum workstations!

What's included in the Journey?

Learn and practice simple movements, and how to set color, text, and print through:

- ★ Tutorials
- ★ 40 coding activities
- ★ Quizzes



My Code

Movement-Translation
Movement-Rotation
User Interaction
V...

Move Forward One Cell
Move Backward One Cell



One AWE Learning station with all 4 software (Early Literacy, Bilingual Spanish, After School Edge, and RoboGarden Coding)

One AWE Learning station of Bilingual Spanish Early Literacy

How does this apply to Makerspace?

- The stations allow independent discovery of their creativity. Each station provides 85+ titles with over 4,500 activities.
- Content including science, technology, reading, engineering, art and music, math, and social and emotional learning, there is something for all interests and all levels.
- Perfect addition to any homeschool or micro-school curriculum

Makerspace



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RED OAK PUBLIC LIBRARY



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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 2.b.

Agenda Item: Discussion and possible consideration for the issuance of debt for \$15 million for Drainage Projects.

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:

Lance Hall, Assistant Finance Director

Recommended Motion: Authorize the City Manager, Finance Director, City Staff, and the City's Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel to proceed with all necessary processes and documents in connection with the issuing of Bonds in the amount of \$15 million, for constructing, acquiring, improving, expanding, and equipping the City's Drainage system.

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #4, Infrastructure - Develop and maintain a comprehensive and well-planned infrastructure network that prepares for the challenges of the future and provides quality, modern and efficient, water, wastewater, drainage and transportation services.

Discussion: We have had several discussions with the Finance Committee, the most recent being on 03/18/2025. The original funding needs were over \$75 million, but the staff has prioritized the projects and reduced the amount to \$15 million.

Previous Council Action: We have discussed this with the Finance Committee during several meetings, most recently on 03/18/2025

Financial Implications: According to the calculations conducted by Hilltop, the assumed interest rate is approximately 4.5% over a 30-year period. The annual debt service for each \$10 million of debt issued is estimated to be \$600,000. We project that the total revenue will be approximately \$1.4 million, of which around \$1 million will be designated for debt service obligations. Furthermore, the debt service for \$15 million of debt would be approximately \$900,000.

Approvals:

Lance Hall
Sam Masiel
Leonard Schneider
Scott Swigert
Kristy Doll

Associated Information:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 3.a.

Agenda Item: Discussion and possible consideration for fire truck graphics.

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Council

Presenter:

Casey Cox, Councilmember Ward 2

Vicki McKenzie, Councilmember At-Large Position 3

Bert Lyle, Councilmember At-Large Position 1

Recommended Motion: Move to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Sam Houston State University and Siddons Martin Emergency Group, LLC to finalize and submit paint and graphics for the new fire truck at no additional cost to the City.

Strategic Initiative: Strategic Priority #1, Public Safety - Create a community where all individuals feel safe and protected, where citizens trust the effectiveness of our agencies through community engagement, technologies, and best practices. We strive to promote a culture of service, prevention and partnership.

Discussion:

Previous Council Action: This item was discussed at the meeting on March 4, 2025, but the motion failed due to insufficient votes.

Financial Implications:

Approvals:

Sam Masiel

Scott Swigert

Associated Information:



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

4/1/2025

Agenda Item Number: 6.a.

Agenda Item: City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, to receive legal advice on the 380 Agreement with Zinc Point and Rock MFG, LLC.

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Attorney

Presenter:

Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

Recommended Motion: No action required

Strategic Initiative: Goal #3, Economic Development – Promote and enhance a strong and diverse economy.

Discussion:

Previous Council Action:

Financial Implications:

Approvals:

Leonard Schneider

Scott Swigert

Kristy Doll

Associated Information: