

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF SEPTEMBER 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 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: Scott Swigert, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

OFFICERS ABSENT:

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 pledges were led by Mayor Humphrey.

PRESENTATION

- a. Consider the approval of the Monthly Financial Report for the month of July 2025.**
Lance Hall, Finance Director

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:08 p.m.

- a. Public Hearing on the FY 2025-2026 proposed Budget.**
Lance Hall, Finance Director

Lance Hall gave a presentation on the FY 2025-2026 proposed Budget.

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

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m.

- b. Public Hearing regarding a Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Medium Density Residential (MR) to Simple Living Residential (SLR) located at 174 (173) Moffett Springs Road, Walker County Property ID 10311.**
Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m.

Layne Yeager gave a presentation on a Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Medium Density Residential (MR) to Simple Living Residential (SLR) located at 174 (173) Moffett Springs Road.

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

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m.

c. Public Hearing regarding a Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Simple Living Residential (SLR) to Mixed Use (MU), located at 1920 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Walker County Property ID 17448.

Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m.

Layne Yeager gave a presentation on the Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Simple Living Residential (SLR) to Mixed Use (MU), located at 1920 Veterans Memorial Parkway.

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

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing at 6:19 p.m.

d. Public Hearing to consider a Conditional Use Permit for a convenience store/fuel station located at 404 I-45 S, Walker County Property ID 29289, in the city limits of Huntsville.

Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager

Councilmember McKenzie recused herself from the dias at 6:20 p.m.

Mayor Humphrey opened the Public Hearing at 6:20 p.m.

Public comments in opposition of the item were heard from the following citizens: Bambi Kiser, Simeon Hinton, Kevin Riley, Vance Howard, Christie Dao, Teresa Robinson, Rhett Knappen, Jeff Bateman, Tanner Michael, Al Hooten.

Mayor Humphrey closed the Public Hearing and opened the Main Session at 6:38 p.m.

Councilmember McKenzie returned to the dias at 6:38 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 the Minutes from the August 19, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting.

Kristy Doll, City Secretary

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to approve the Minutes from the August 19, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting. 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

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. First Reading - Consider Ordinance 2025-23, for a Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Medium Density Residential to Simple Living Residential located at 174 (173) Moffett Springs Road, Walker County Property ID 10311.
Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager**

First reading, no action taken.

- b. First Reading - Consider Ordinance number 2025-24, for a Development District Map Amendment Request to change from Simple Living Residential (SLR) to Mixed Use (MU), located at 1920 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Walker County Property ID 17448.
Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager**

First reading, no action taken.

Councilmember McKenzie recused herself from the dias at 6:41 p.m.

- c. Consider Conditional Use Permit number 2025-1 for a fuel station proposed to be located at 404 I-45 S, Walker County Property ID 29289, in the city limits of Huntsville.
Layne Yeager, City Planner/Airport Manager**

Councilmember Casey Cox made a motion to deny Conditional Use Permit number 2025-1 for a fuel station proposed to be located at 404 I-45 S, Walker County Property ID 29289, in the city limits of Huntsville. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Tore Fossum. The motion passed 8 - 0. Yes: Russell Humphrey, Karen Denman, Jon Strong, Pat Graham, Bert Lyle, Anissa Antwine, Tore Fossum, Casey Cox; Abstain: Vicki McKenzie; No: None

Councilmember McKenzie returned to the dias at 6:46 p.m.

- d. Consider postponing approval of the FY 2025-2026 proposed Budget to the September 16, 2025, Council meeting.
Lance Hall, Finance Director**

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to postpone the approval of the FY 2025-2026 proposed Budget to the September 16, 2025, City Council meeting. 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 appointments to the City of Huntsville Boards and Commissions for vacant and expiring board positions.
Russell Humphrey, Mayor**

BOARD NAME	SEAT #	APPOINT/ REAPPOINT	BOARD MEMBER	TERM EXPIRES
Airport Advisory Board				
	4	Reappointment	Amanda Withers	8/31/2028
	7	Reappointment	Bert Lyle	8/31/2028
	8	Reappointment	Bill Daugette	8/31/2028
	9	Appoint	Conrad Liles	8/31/2028
	10	Reappointment	Wade Gillaspie	8/31/2028
Arts Commission				
	2	Appoint	Tonya Schorre	8/31/2028
	6	Reappointment	Margaret Smith	8/31/2028
	8	Reappointment	Amanda Berset	8/31/2028
Board of Adjustments				
	5	Reappointment	Elliott Herzlich	8/31/2027
	6	Reappointment	Jason Warren	8/31/2027
	7	Appoint	Aron Kulhavy	8/31/2027
Cemetery Advisory Board				
	3	Reappointment	Courtney Rouse	8/31/2027
Huntsville Housing Authority				
	2	Reappointment	Rolando Salazar	8/31/2027
	3	Reappointment	Leticia M. Rivas	8/31/2027
	5	Reappointment	Katie M. Johnson	8/31/2027
Huntsville Public Library				
	1	Appoint	Aron Kulhavy	8/31/2028
	3	Reappointment	Andy Brauninger	8/31/2028
	4	Reappointment	Emily Figueroa	8/31/2028
Main Street Advisory Board				
	1	Reappointment	Caroline Crimm	8/31/2027
	4	Reappointment	Cody Rogers	8/31/2027
	5	Reappointment	Michelle Lyons	8/31/2027
	8	Reappointment	Laura Bruns	8/31/2027
	9	Reappointment	Sean Chaney	8/31/2027
Parks and Recreation				
	9	Reappointment	Nate Grigsby	8/31/2028
	10	Reappointment	Guadalupe Ortiz	8/31/2028
	11	Reappointment	Derrick Birdsall	8/31/2028
Planning Commission				
	4	Reappointment	Russell Barnett	8/31/2028
	5	Reappointment	Tommy Harris	8/31/2028
	6	Reappointment	Rhonda Carpenter	8/31/2028
Tourism Advisory Board				
	2	Reappointment	Megan Buro	8/31/2028
	3	Appoint	Elliott Herzlich	8/31/2028
	4	Reappointment	John Turner	8/31/2028
	7	Reappointment	Brandon Cooper	8/31/2028

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to nominate Board and Commission member appointments and reappointments as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Jon Strong. 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. Consider Texas Health Benefits Pool Board of Trustees nomination for Region 14.
Sam Masiel, Assistant City Manager**

Councilmember Anissa Antwine made a motion to approve the nomination of Sam Masiel to serve on the Region 14 Texas Health Benefits Pool Board of Trustees. 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

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 551.071, to receive legal advice on claims by Frost Construction Company, Inc. regarding Service Center Expansion & Renovation.
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 14770CV; Casey v City of Huntsville, County Court at Law Walker County, Texas.
Leonard Schneider, City Attorney**

City Council convened into Executive Session at 6:58 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:24 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

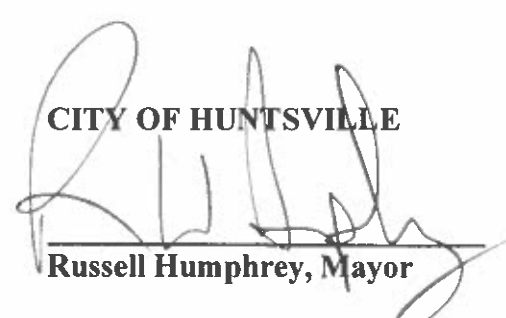
Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:25 p.m.

ATTEST:


Kristy Doll, City Secretary



CITY OF HUNTSVILLE


Russell Humphrey, Mayor