

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Jon Strong, Ward 4, Chairman
Karen Denman, At-Large Position 2



Vicki McKenzie, At-Large Position 3
Pat Graham, At-Large Position 4

CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2026, 9:00 AM

Huntsville City Hall, 1220 11th Street, Huntsville, Texas, 77340

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.

1 CALL TO ORDER

2 DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION

The Finance Committee will hear presentations, discuss, and may consider recommendations to the City Council on the following items.

- a** Approve minutes of the February 3, 2026, Finance Committee meeting
Lance Hall, Finance Director
- b** Budget Amendments
Lance Hall, Finance Director
- c** Discussion of changes to the FY 2025-2026 Fee Schedule - Police Department
Lance Hall, Finance Director
- d** Discuss the Rules of Procedures of the City Council Finance Committee
Jon Strong, Councilmember Ward 4
Karen Denman, Councilmember At-Large Position 2
Vicki McKenzie, Councilmember At-Large Position 3
Pat Graham, Councilmember At-Large Position 4
- e** Discussion of Proposed 2026-2027 Budget Calendar
- f** Presentation from Trinity River Authority (TRA) to discuss future improvements to the Tenaska Water line.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer

3 ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATE

I 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 31, 2026

TIME OF POSTING: 2:30 p.m.

TAKEN DOWN:

Sharon Schultz

Sharon Schultz, Deputy City Secretary



CITY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

4/7/2026

Agenda Item Number: 2.a.

Agenda Item: Approve minutes of the February 3, 2026, Finance Committee meeting

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:
Lance Hall, Finance Director

Discussion: Approve minutes of the February 3, 2026 Finance Committee meeting

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:

1. Fin Comm Minutes 2.03.2026

Finance Committee Minutes

February 3, 2026

Members' Present: Jon Strong, Karen Denman, and Pat Graham

Staff Present: Scott Swigert, Lance Hall, Brian Beasley, Kristy Doll

The agenda items discussed were:

- Approved the minutes of the December 16, 2025, meeting.
- Kristy Doll discussed the recent changes in recent law that was passed during the 89th Legislative Session pertaining to the Alcoholic Beverages code of ordinances and addressed the impacts of SB1008. The prior law allowed the city to collect revenue every 2 years from a vendor that pays for a liquor license. With the changes in the law, the City can now collect only about \$3,500 every two years. This item is on the agenda to be discussed with the full city council at tonight's meeting.
- Lance Hall discussed the Monthly Financial Reports that are being presented and that the Finance department is trying to be transparent. Councilmember Strong indicated that he likes the reports and would like anything highlighted that is up and down and that they need to be aware of. Councilmember Graham likes the transparency. Lance indicated that he would bring the reports to the Finance committee every quarter.
- Brian Beasley discussed the Rule of 2028 and enhancements to the Retiree health insurance and indicated that a workshop on this item is being presented to the full city council tonight. Brian and the executive leadership team have come up with 3 options that they would like to share. Brian indicated that there was approximately \$6M in OPEB, up from \$5M. He indicated that they would like to use these funds to enhance Retirees' benefits. Councilmember Pat Graham asked to table the item; Councilmember Denman stated she wanted to take care of staff, and Councilmember Strong indicated he liked option 2.



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Agenda Item Number: 2.b.

Agenda Item: Budget Amendments

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:
Lance Hall, Finance Director

Discussion: Discussion and possible action on proposed Budget Amendment(s).

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:

1. Arbitrage BA for Svc Cntr & City Hall

Budget Amendments FY 25-26 Finance Committee - April 7, 2026
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Exhibit A

Increase: Svc Cntr & City Hall Bonds - Arbitrage liability	\$	886,631
Decrease: Svc Cntr & City Hall Bonds -TxClass Interest	\$	886,631

Explanation:	Rebatable arbitrage is the profit earned by a tax-exempt bond issuer when they invest bond proceeds at a higher yield than the interest rate paid on the bonds themselves. According to IRS regulations, this excess profit must be paid back ("rebated") to the U.S. Treasury to maintain the bonds' tax-exempt status. The bond's cumulative interest earnings exceed its yield. This budget amendment will transfer the funds to pay the rebatable arbitrage from the TXClass interest account to the expense account for the payment.
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Agenda Item Number: 2.c.

Agenda Item: Discussion of changes to the FY 2025-2026 Fee Schedule - Police Department

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:
Lance Hall, Finance Director

Discussion: Discussion of changes to the FY 2025-2026 Fee Schedule - Police Department

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:

1. FY 26 Fee Schedule Police changes 3.25.2026

Schedule of Fees and Charges		
	Public Safety	
	Sexually Oriented Business Permits	
	Original Application	\$400
	Renewal Application	\$200
	Wrecker Permits	\$100/yr. Per holder -2 Yr permit + \$120/yr. per tow truck-2 Yr permit
	Wrecker Driver Permits	\$12.50 per driver per year, payable for a two-year period
	Taxi/Chauffer	\$100/yr. per taxi
	Accident Report	\$6 \$11 online (\$5 provider fee)
	Fingerprinting Fee	\$10 per person
	Posted Hourly Parking Fee -	\$1.00 per hr. / Max \$5.00
	Residential Alarm Fees	
	0-3 False Alarms	No Charge
	4-5 False Alarms	\$25 each
	6-8 False Alarms	\$50 each
	Over 8 False Alarms	\$100 each
	Commercial Alarm Fees	
	0-3 False Alarms	No Charge
	4-5 False Alarms	\$50 each
	6-8 False Alarms	\$75 each
	Over 8 False Alarms	\$100 each
	Alarm Fees	
	Initial permit	\$10 residential/\$30 commercial
	Alarm Co. Failure to Provide Accurate Info	\$25
	Permittee Fail to Respond to Alarm Location w/in 30 mins at Request of Police	\$50
	Failure to Notify of Address Changes, etc.	\$50
	Reinstatement Fee	\$100
	Appeal Fee	\$25
	Animals and Fowl	
	Annual Registration Fee for Dogs Deemed as Dangerous by Animal Control Authority	\$50
	Replacement of lost Dangerous Dog ID Tag	\$10
		Fee Allowed to be Charged by Tow Truck Company *Not Collected by City*
	Tow Truck Companies	
	All Police Directed Tows	\$200
	Debris Removal	\$35-
	Waiting, per hour after the first hour	\$25-
	Notification	\$50
	Preservation	\$20
	Copies of Open Records	Variable dependent on document or material type, as set by the Texas Administrative Code, plus an additional 25%.



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4/7/2026

Agenda Item Number: 2.d.

Agenda Item: Discuss the Rules of Procedures of the City Council Finance Committee

Initiating Department/Presenter: City Council Finance Committee

Presenter:

Jon Strong, Councilmember Ward 4

Karen Denman, Councilmember At-Large Position 2

Vicki McKenzie, Councilmember At-Large Position 3

Pat Graham, Councilmember At-Large Position 4

Discussion: Discuss the Rules of Procedures of the City Council Finance Committee

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:



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Agenda Item Number: 2.e.

Agenda Item: Discussion of Proposed 2026-2027 Budget Calendar
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Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter:

Discussion:

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:

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| 1. FY 26-27 Budget Calendar FINAL 3.26.2026 |
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FY 26-27 Budget Schedule

April 10 (Fri.)

Department Fee Schedules due to Finance

April 13 (Mon.)

- Kick-off Meeting with departments
- Budget Software opens to departments to begin entering data
- Request Non-Profit Applications

April 24 (Fri.)

- Special projects due to Building Maintenance for FY 2027
- New CIP Projects due to Engineering for consideration in FY 2027 budget

May 8 (Fri.)

- Department Goals, Measures, and Accomplishments are due to Finance
- Cost Sheets are due to Finance: (Computer Replacement, Equipment Replacement, Work Boots, WC Insurance, Property & Casualty Insurance, Retiree Health Insurance, and Software usage by Fund)

May 15 (Fri.)

Department expenditure and revenue estimates are due to the Finance Department

Document copies to Finance:

- TRA budget documents
- Walker County Dispatch budget, WCAD budget
- OT, Seasonal, and Volunteer FF monies are due to Finance
- Non-Profit Application Deadline

June 12 (Fri.)

Draft Budget Book due to the City Manager with Major Fund Summary/Review

June 16 (Tues.)

- Finance Committee - "Where We Stand" Report
- Council Budget Workshop # 1 - 101 Presentation to City Council: "Where We Stand" Report

June 15 (Mon.) – June 26 (Fri.)

Department budget hearings with the City Manager and Finance

July 1 (Wed.)

CIP Budget discussions – Funding of Projects

July 17 (Fri.)

Projected date Certified Totals will be received from WCAD

July 22 (Wed.)

Projected date: No-New-Revenue rates will be received from WCAD

August 7 (Fri.)

City Manager files Proposed Budget to the City Secretary and City Council (has to be at least 31 days prior to Budget adoption/Tax levy; so, could be as late as Sat., August 15th, which is exactly 31 days prior to the scheduled Tuesday, September 15, 2026, Budget and Tax Rate adoption date)

August 11 (Tues.)

- Council Budget Workshop # 2 – Full proposed Budget Review
- Council Agenda Item – intention to adopt a maximum tax rate, announce date and time of the Public Hearing, and date of the vote
- Notice of Public Hearing on the Property Tax Rate (Hearing must not occur before the 5th day after the posting)

August 18 (Tues.)

Notice of Public Hearing on the Budget posted in Newspaper (*Must be not earlier than 30th day - October 2nd or later than the 10th day before the date of the hearing, October 22nd.*)

September 1 (Tues.)

- Council Agenda Item-Budget Public Hearing (*after the 15th day the proposed budget is filed with the City Secretary*)
- Council Agenda Item- 1st Reading of Budget-related Ordinances and move to postpone vote on adoption of Budget to September 15, 2026. (only 1 hearing required per new Legislation (see 7-day requirement below), and hearing can be same day, Property Tax rate is adopted, and the same day the Budget is adopted.)

September 15 (Tues.)

- Council Agenda Item- Public Hearing on the Tax Rate (*New legislation requires a vote on approving the tax rate, which must occur no more than 7 days after the public hearing.*)
- Council Agenda Item - 2nd Reading Ordinance to Adopt the Budget
- Council Agenda Item - Ordinance to Adopt the M&O Tax Rate
- Council Agenda Item - Ordinance to Adopt the I&S Tax Rate
- Council Agenda Item - Ratification of the increase in property tax revenue



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Agenda Item Number: 2.f.

Agenda Item: Presentation from Trinity River Authority (TRA) to discuss future improvements to the Tenaska Water line.

Initiating Department/Presenter: Finance

Presenter: Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer
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Discussion: TRA Presentation

Financial Implications:

Associated Information:
