HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.
AT THE HUNTSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY, LOCATED AT 1219 13th STREET,
IN THE CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, WALKER COUNTY, TEXAS

[IGNORE_INDENT]

MAIN SESSION (6:00 p.m.)

The City Council met in regular session with the following:
Present: Mayor Humphrey, Councilmember At-Large Position 2 Denman, Councilmember At-Large Position 3 McKenzie, Councilmember Ward 4 Strong, Councilmember At-Large Position 4 Graham, Councilmember At-Large Position 1 Lyle, Councilmember Ward 3 Antwine, Councilmember Ward 1 Fossum, Councilmember Ward 2 Cox
Absent:
Officers Present: Scott Swigert, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

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.* Test

Councilmember Lyle gave the invocation and pledges were led by Mayor Humphrey.

PROCLAMATION

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 February 17, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting.
Kristy Doll, City Secretary

b. Consider the acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for the month of January 2026
Lance Hall, Finance Director

c. Consider Resolution 2026-08 authorizing the submission of an application and acceptance of funding if awarded under the FY 2026 Inspire Grants for Small Museums Program.
Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

d. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2026-09 designating authorized signatories for contractual documents and requests for payment, the responsible party for the required environmental review, and

required compliance officers for Texas General Land Office (GLO) Contract No. 25-145-002-F361 for the Martin Luther King Drive Street Improvements project.
Lance Hall, Finance Director

e. Consider approval of Resolution No. 2026-10 designating authorized signatories for contractual documents and requests for payment, the responsible party for the required environmental review, and required compliance officers for Texas General Land Office (GLO) Contract No. 24-065-203-F206 for the Autumn Road Culvert Replacement project.
Lance Hall, Finance Director

f. Consider Resolution 2026-11 authorizing the submission of an application and acceptance of funding if awarded under the FY 2026 State Homeland Security Program – Regular Projects (SHSP-R) for Protection of Soft Targets/Crowded Places.
Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

g. Consider Resolution 2026-12 authorizing the submission of an application and acceptance of funding if awarded under the FY 2026 State Homeland Security Program – Regular Projects (SHSP-R) for the Interoperable Communications Project.
Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

Councilmember Anissa Antwine made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items a. through g. 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. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. for Professional Consulting an Expert Witness/Litigation Services for a pending Rate Case.
Lance Hall, Finance Director

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to move Agenda Item 2.a. to the Executive Session for further discussion. 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

This Item was moved to the Executive Session for further discussion.

b. Consider authorizing the City Manager to award the RFP 26-02 Strategic Planning Consulting Services agreement to provide the facilitation and consulting for the City Council Strategic Planning Retreat and the development of the City of Huntsville Strategic Plan (2026–2031).
Scott Swigert, City Manager

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to authorize the City Manager to award RFP 26-02 for Strategic Planning Consulting Services and to authorize the execution of an agreement for strategic planning services to Raftelis to provide facilitation and consultation for the City Council Strategic Planning Retreat and the development of the City of Huntsville Strategic Plan (2026–2031) in the amount not-to-exceed of $30,000.. 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

c. **First Reading -** Consider approving an Agreement with the Texas Grand Ranch, LLC, to construct a Water Distribution System in ETJ for the Estates of Texas Grand Ranch Section III.
Kathlie Jeng-Bulloch, City Engineer

Councilmember Bert Lyle made a motion to waive the two-reading requirement and approve the Agreement with the Texas Grand Ranch, LLC, to construct a Water Distribution System in ETJ for the Estates of Texas Grand Ranch Section III. 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

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

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 Airport FBO Agreement with Huntsville Aviation Inc. and on operations of the airport.
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 the 380 Agreement with Rock MFG, LLC (assignee of Zinc Point Manufacturing, Inc.).
Leonard Schneider, City Attorney

c. 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 Attorney.
Brian Beasley, HR Director

d. 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

City Council convened in Executive Session at 6:25 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

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

Council reconvened from Executive Session at 8:01p.m

Item 6.a.

Councilmember None made a motion to purchase FBO operating agreement from Huntsville Aviation Inc. and Wade Gillaspie for $2,350,000 contingent upon executed mutual release and settlement agreement after approval by City Manager and City Attorney and instruct staff to start preparation to take over operations. The motion was seconded by Councilmember None. The motion passed 9 - 0. Yes: None

No: None

Item 6.b.
Move to authorize a mutual termination of Chapter 380 Economic Development Agreement with Rock Manufacturing LLC. contingent upon an executed termination and mutual release.

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. for Professional Consulting an Expert Witness/Litigation Services for a pending Rate Case. 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

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.

Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:03 p.m.