

MINUTES FROM THE HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 7TH DAY OF JULY 2026 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 Regular Session with the following:

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Humphrey, Mayor Pro Tem Strong, Councilmember At-Large Position 1 Lyle, Councilmember Ward 1 Fossum, Councilmember At-Large Position 2 Denman, Councilmember Ward 2 Cox, Councilmember At-Large Position 3 McKenzie, Councilmember Ward 3 Antwine, Councilmember At-Large Position 4 Graham

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT:

OFFICERS PRESENT: Scott Swigert, City Manager; Kristy Doll, City Secretary; Robby Chapman, 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 Bert Lyle gave the invocation, and Mayor Humphrey led the pledges.

PROCLAMATIONS

- a. **Proclamation No. 2026-18 Parks and Recreation Month**
Russell Humphrey, Mayor

PRESENTATION

- a. **Preliminary Budget Presentation - Where We Stand with the FY 2027 Budget.**
Lance Hall, Finance Director

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 June 16, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting.**
Kristy Doll, City Secretary
- b. **Consider the acceptance of the Monthly Financial Report for the month of May 2026.**
Lance Hall, Finance Director
- c. **Consider approving the Huntsville Housing Authority Five-Year Action Plan.**
Dewana Harding
- d. **Consider Resolution No. 2026-23 authorizing the submission of an application to the Texas Historical Commission's Texas Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 for the Wynne Home Porch Preservation Planning Project and designating the City Manager to**

accept the grant, if awarded.

Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

- e. Consider Resolution No. 2026-24 authorizing submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Automated Permitting Systems Demonstration Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 and authorizing the City Manager to act as the City's Authorized Representative and accept the grant, if awarded.**

Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

- f. Consider authorizing the City Manager to approve a change order to O&J Coatings, Inc. for additional work performed on the Two Million Gallon Elevated Storage Tank Project at the Palm Street Water Plant.**

Kim Kembro, Public Works Director

Consent Agenda Items 1.c. and 1.e. were moved from the Consent Agenda to the Statutory Agenda for consideration.

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items a., b., d., and f. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Anissa Antwine. 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

- 1.c.Consider approving the Huntsville Housing Authority Five-Year Action Plan.**

Dewana Harding

Councilmember Vicki McKenzie made a motion to approve the Huntsville Housing Authority Five-Year Action Plan. 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

- 1.e.Consider Resolution No. 2026-24 authorizing submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Automated Permitting Systems Demonstration Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 and authorizing the City Manager to act as the City's Authorized Representative and accept the grant, if awarded.**

Christina Bodin-Turner, Grants Manager

Councilmember Bert Lyle made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2026-24 authorizing submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Automated Permitting Systems Demonstration Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 and authorizing the City Manager to act as the City's Authorized Representative and accept the grant, if awarded. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vicki McKenzie. 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

- a. Consider adoption of Ordinance 2026-18, to amend the budget for FY 25-26 and/or CIP Project Budgets.**

Lance Hall, Finance Director

Councilmember Jon Strong made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-18 to amend the budget for FY 25-26 and/or CIP Project Budgets. 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

- b. First Reading - Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with McKinney & Moore of Texas, LLC to rehabilitate the Chlorine Building at the AJ Brown Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF).**

Kim Kembro, Public Works Director

Councilmember Bert Lyle made a motion to waive the two-reading requirement and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with McKinney & Moore of Texas, LLC to rehabilitate the Chlorine Building at the AJ Brown Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) in the amount of \$806,672.21. 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.**

Russell Humphrey, Mayor

Councilmember Casey Cox made a motion for the Mayor to nominate Board and Commission member appointments 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

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 for consultation with attorney to receive legal advice regarding SOAH Docket No. 473-26-11795/Public Utility Commission Docket No. 58983.**

Robby Chapman, City Attorney

- b. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 for consultation with attorney to receive legal advice regarding the new City Hall.**

Robby Chapman, City Attorney

City Council convened in Executive Session at 6:49 p.m.

7. RECONVENE

City Council reconvened from Executive Session at 7:17 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Humphrey adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:18 p.m.

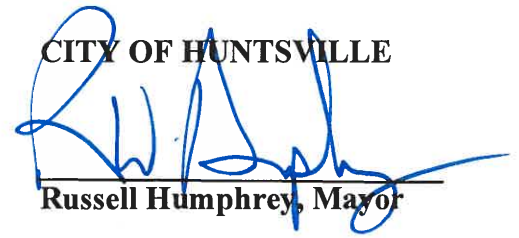
ATTEST:



Kristy Doll, City Secretary



CITY OF HUNTSVILLE



Russell Humphrey, Mayor