

**City of Hurst**  
**City Council Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 28, 2015**

On the 28th day of April 2015, at 6:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Regular Meeting at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Richard Ward	)	Mayor
Nancy Welton	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Larry Kitchens	)	Councilmembers
Anna Holzer	)	
Henry Wilson	)	
Bill McLendon	)	
David Booe	)	
Allan Weegar	)	City Manager
John Boyle	)	City Attorney
Clay Caruthers	)	Assistant City Manager
Jeff Jones	)	Assistant City Maanger
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Ashleigh Johnson	)	Managing Director of Communications
Sunny Patel	)	Director of Information Services
Gina Hickman	)	Utility Manager

With the following Councilmembers absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Councilmember Larry Kitchens gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**PROCLAMATION(S) AND PRESENTATION(S)**

1. Proclamation recognizing Motorcycle Safety Awareness month. Councilmember Anna Holzer read the Proclamation recognizing Motorcycle Safety Awareness month. Accepting the proclamation was Rebecca Brown, and other motorcycle safety advocates who thanked the Council and expressed their passion for motorcycle safety.
2. Presentation of certificates of recognition for the City of Hurst 101 Citizen's Academy Class of 2015.

Managing Director of Communications Ashleigh Johnson introduced Valedictorian of this year's class, Trasa Cobern, who addressed the Council. Ms. Cobern thanked the Council for hosting the class and stated she personally found each session well worth the time. Mayor and Councilmembers presented the following citizens with graduate certificates: Lorrie Dickerson, Kenneth Horn, Gary Waldron, Randy Powell, Brooke Hudson, Caleb Penkert,

Edward Johnson, Tina Arnold, Pam Knippa, Anne Agee, Kathy Peterson, Jerry Busbee, Joel Downs and Trasa Cobern.

Mayor Ward recessed the meeting at 6:50 p.m. for photographs and reconvened the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

3. Considered approval of the minutes for the April 14 and 21, 2015 City Council meetings.

Councilmember Wilson moved to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Councilmember Holzer. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McLendon, Booe, Kitchens, Holzer, Wilson and Welton  
No: None

### **ACTION ITEM(S)**

4. Considered authorizing the purchase of an upgrade for Utility Billing computer software. Mayor Ward recognized Information Services Manager Sunny Patel and Utility Billing Manager Gina Hickman, who reviewed the proposed software upgrade noting increased efficiencies and capabilities with the upgraded software.

Councilmember Kitchens moved to authorize the city manager to enter into an agreement with Harris Computer systems inHance Division, in the amount not to exceed \$57,250, for an upgrade of the Utility Billing software. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Welton.

In response to Mayor Ward's questions, Utility Manager Gina Hickman noted savings of \$250,000 if purchasing a new system and a 33% savings by negotiating the original upgrade price.

Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers McLendon, Booe, Kitchens, Holzer, Wilson and Welton  
No: None

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

5. Review of upcoming calendar items. City Manager Allan Weegar noted Early Voting and Election Day for the May 9, 2015 General Election.
6. City Council Report – No reports were given.

**PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD – A REQUEST TO APPEAR CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE CITY SECRETARY TO BE RECOGNIZED.**

Mayor Ward and Councilmembers recognized students attending Professor Reginold's Texas Government class and provided Council's tenure information. City Manager Allan Weegar, Attorney John Boyle and several other staff members also provided information regarding their background and job responsibilities.

**ADJOURNMENT**

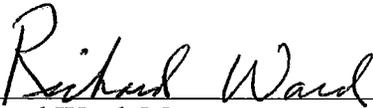
The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

**APPROVED** this the 12th day of May 2015.

**ATTEST:**

  
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Rita L. Frick, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
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Richard Ward, Mayor