

**City Council Minutes**  
**Tuesday, April 11, 2023**

On the 11th day of April 2023, at 6:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in a regular meeting at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson	)	Mayor
Cindy Shepard	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Jon McKenzie	)	Councilmembers
John Miller	)	
Cathy Brotherton	)	
Gary N. Waldron	)	
David Booe	)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle	)	City Attorney
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Greg Dickens	)	Executive Director of Public Works
Kyle Gordon	)	Executive Director of Community Services
Steve Niekamp	)	Police Chief

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. and the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas pledge was given.

Councilmember John Miller gave the Invocation.

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

1. Proclamation recognizing Volunteer Appreciation Week, and presentation to Volunteers-in-Action Blue Jacket recipients

Mayor Pro Tem Cindy Shepard read and presented the proclamation recognizing Volunteer Appreciation Week to Volunteer Coordinator Hannah Ditgen. Mayor Wilson noted these volunteers have reached the 200 hour service mark. The following volunteers were recognized and provided a Blue Jacket by the Mayor and Council: Yvonne Blackard, John Moore, Jesus Quiroga Jr., Donald Kraul and Peter Polk. Also recognized, but not present, were: David Jones, Vicki Jones and Robert Coffee. City Manager Clay Caruthers thanked City staff for coordinating the program. Mayor Wilson expressed gratitude, on behalf of the Mayor and Council, for the generous contribution of time connecting to the community.

2. Proclamation recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month

Councilmember John Miller read and presented the Proclamation recognizing Child Abuse Prevention Month to Alliance for Children representative Ms. Gonzales. Chief Steve Niekamp noted the great partnership they have with Alliance for Children and reviewed several of their services.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

3. Consider approval of the minutes for the March 28, 31 and April 4, 2023 City Council meetings
4. Consider Ordinance 2534, second reading, to vacate and abandon a 5-foot wide strip of a 10-foot wide Utility Easement platted as part of Lot 18, Block 3, of the Lonesome Dove Estates, Phase 2, third filing
5. Consider authorizing the city manager to proceed with the Hurst Senior Activities Center Foundation Repair Project

Mayor Pro Tem Shepard moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Booe. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Miller, McKenzie, Brotherton, Waldron and Shepard  
No: None

### **ORDINANCE(S)**

6. Consider Ordinance 2535, first reading, amending Chapter 24 by adding a sentence to Section 24-127; prohibiting parking in a certain area on Redbud Drive near Brown Trail

Executive Director of Public Works Greg Dickens reviewed the proposed ordinance noting it will add to the current list of no parking locations by prohibiting parking on the first 135 feet west along the south side of Redbud Drive from the Brown Trail intersection. He noted staff received some complaints regarding parking on both sides of the street, which caused difficulty for bus turns and limited visibility at this location. In response to Councilmember questions, Mr. Dickens stated the area apartments charge for parking, which may lead residents to park in the street. He stated, as a result, it is possible street parking may continue down the street.

Councilmember Miller moved to approve Ordinance 2535, first reading, amending Chapter 24 by adding a sentence to Section 24-127; prohibiting parking in a certain area on Redbud Drive near Brown Trail. Motion seconded by Councilmember Booe. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Miller, McKenzie, Brotherton, Waldron and Shepard  
No: None

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 7. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into an amended agreement with the City of North Richland Hills regulating traffic signals operation/maintenance and Glenview Drive median maintenance

City Manager Clay Caruthers noted this item was prompted when the City of North Richland Hills requested to place a license plate reader in a median in Hurst where there is currently an interlocal agreement for a North Richland Hill’s sign. He noted an existing agreement that also allows for sharing information so the reader could be mutually beneficial. Mr. Caruthers stated the interlocal agreement for the sign placement also has a couple of other signal items and he will talk to North Richland Hills staff about a possible amendment to the agreement regarding signals at Martin and Mid-Cities on Precinct.

Councilmember Brotherton moved to authorize the city manager to enter into an amended Interlocal Agreement with the City of North Richland Hills regulating traffic signals operations and maintenance and Glenview Drive median maintenance. Motion seconded by Councilmember McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Booe, Miller, McKenzie, Brotherton, Waldron and Shepard  
 No: None

- 8. Review of upcoming calendar items – City Manager Caruthers reviewed the future events calendar in the packet.
- 9. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest – No items were reported.


**PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD – A REQUEST TO APPEAR CARD MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE CITY SECRETARY TO BE RECOGNIZED. CITIZEN COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

Mayor Wilson recognized Charlotte Thomas, 350 W. Harwood Road, Hurst, Texas, who requested the citizens of Hurst come together to pray during National Day of Prayer in May, specifically for schools, in light of the many shootings across the country. Mayor Wilson also recognized Tarrant County College Professor Reginald’s government class students.

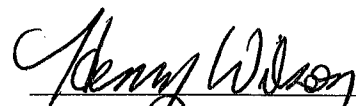
**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

**APPROVED** this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023.

**ATTEST:**

  
 Rita Frick, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
 Henry Wilson, Mayor