

**City Council Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 26, 2024**

On the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024, 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:

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| Henry Wilson          | ) | Mayor                                      |
| Gary N. Waldron       | ) | Mayor Pro Tem                              |
| Cindy Shepard         | ) | Councilmembers                             |
| Jon McKenzie          | ) |  |
| John Miller           | ) |  |
| Jimmy Meeks           | ) |  |
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| Clay Caruthers        | ) | City Manager                               |
| Matthew Boyle         | ) | City Attorney                              |
| Natalie Gullo         | ) | Assistant City Attorney                    |
| Clayton Fulton        | ) | Assistant City Manager                     |
| Malaika Marion Farmer | ) | Assistant City Manager                     |
| Lola Smith            | ) | Deputy City Secretary                      |
| Chris Connolly        | ) | Executive Director of Economic Development |
| Greg Dickens          | ) | Executive Director of Public Works         |
| Steve Niekamp         | ) | Police Chief                               |

With the following Councilmembers absent: Cathy Brotherton, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and Councilmember John Miller gave the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were given.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consider approval of the minutes for the March 12, 2024 City Council meetings
2. Consider Ordinance 2564, second reading, amending Chapter 27, Zoning, of the Code of Ordinances, adding a new Section 27-19.1 to create an Interim Zoning District
3. Consider Ordinance 2565, second reading, to consider SITE-2023-00015 Westdale Hills Community Center, a site plan revision for Lot 4AR, Block 1 Sotogrande Addition, being 1.24 acres located at 1601 Sotogrande Boulevard
4. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into an annual contract with Vulcan Inc. for Traffic Sign Blanks

5. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into an implementation project with Waypoint Solutions to provide software, hardware, and professional services to implement multi-factor authentication in the City

Councilmember Waldron moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded by Councilmember Miller. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

**PUBLIC HEARING(S) AND RELATED ITEM(S)**

6. Conduct a public hearing and consider Ordinance 2566, first reading, Z-2024-00004 Valentine Oaks Homes, a zoning change from R2-PD to MU-PD with a concept plan for Lot G, Block 16 Valentine Oaks Addition, being .44 acre located at 916 Barbara Ann Drive (Applicant has requested a withdrawal)

Mayor Wilson announced the applicant requested withdrawal of this application.

Councilmember Miller moved to accept withdrawal of this application. Motion seconded by Councilmember McKenzie. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

7. Conduct a public hearing and consider Ordinance 2567, first reading, Z-2024-00005 Gibson RV Parking, a zoning change to Interim Zoning with a site plan on Lot 1, Block 1 Central Park Northeast Addition, being 5.08 acres located at 1425 W. Hurst Boulevard

Mayor Wilson announced the public hearing to consider Ordinance 2567, first reading, Z-2024-00005 Gibson RV Parking, a zoning change to Interim Zoning with a site plan on Lot 1, Block 1 Central Park Northeast Addition, being 5.08 acres located at 1425 W. Hurst Boulevard and recognized Assistant City Manager Malaika Farmer who reviewed the proposed case. Mrs. Farmer stated this zone change provides the applicant with temporary options to expire in 5 years, unless continued by the City Council, where he plans to use the property for storage of RVs, no residential use allowed, while he works to reconcile environmental issues on the property.

Clif Gibson, applicant, spoke and echoed comments from Mrs. Farmer, stating he would like to make use of the property to bring in revenue in interim while he works to correct environmental concerns. Mr. Gibson praised City of Hurst staff and said it has been a high-level experience for him, and he has been very pleased with the process thus far.

Thomas Christy, 1648 Oak Creek Drive spoke against the application and stated his biggest concern is this use will not end in five years as councils and staff change and might allow continuation in 5 years. He further spoke to financial instability at surrounding RV parks.

Georgina Butcher, 109 Charlene Drive requested Council move forward carefully and asked for a Hurst resident discount from the business.

There being no one else to speak, Mayor Wilson closed the public hearing.

City Manager Clay Caruthers offered clarification to both citizen and Council comments that the use is not to allow an RV park, but to allow RV storage only, adding no one could live there. He further explained it is a 5-year zoning limit which means City Council must approve in 5 years to continue said use.

Councilmember Miller moved to approve Ordinance 2567, first reading, Z-2024-00005 Gibson RV Parking, a zoning change to Interim Zoning with a site plan on Lot 1, Block 1 Central Park Northeast Addition, being 5.08 acres located at 1425 W. Hurst Boulevard. Motion seconded by Councilmember Shepard. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

8. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into an engineering services contract with Aguirre & Fields, LP for Brown Trail Reconstruction Improvements from Queens Way to the Northern City Limits

Mayor Wilson recognized Executive Director of Public Works Greg Dickens who reviewed the proposed contract for Brown Trail reconstruction improvements from Queens Way to the northern city limits. Mr. Dickens noted there is no right-of-way acquisition needed. He further stated this is for removal of existing asphalt, curb, and gutter and to reconstruct with reinforced concrete with 8" subgrade. Mr. Dickens lastly noted this project would have 50/50 matched funding through the 2021 Tarrant County Transportation Bond.

Councilmember Shepard moved to authorize the city manager to execute the engineering services contract with Aguirre & Fields, LP for Brown Trail Reconstruction Improvements from Queens Way to the Northern City Limits, for a total fee not to exceed \$219,643.60. Motion seconded by Councilmember Meeks. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

9. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a High-Density Mineral Bond Seal Service Contract with Andale Construction, Inc.

Mayor Wilson recognized Executive Director of Public Works Greg Dickens who reviewed the proposed contract for high-density mineral bond seal with Andale Construction, Inc. Mr. Dickens stated this is an annual contract with an option for a 4-year extension. He further stated Andale Construction is the only contractor who bids the project because they are essentially a sole source provider, as the only contractor offering this product. Mr. Dickens lastly stated the product takes 24 hours to cure. In response to council questions, Mr. Dickens stated he notices street deterioration from large trucks such as garbage trucks, but it isn't more today than in the past.

Councilmember Meeks moved to authorize the city manager to enter into a contract with Andale Construction, Inc., as the primary vendor during the next 12 months, in an amount not to exceed \$205,000, with the option to renew for four additional 12-month periods. Motion seconded by Councilmember Waldron. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

10. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with Innovative Roadway Solutions, LLC. for Surface Preservation Treatment application

Mayor Wilson recognized Executive Director Public Works Greg Dickens who reviewed the proposed contract for surface preservation treatment with Innovative Roadway Solutions LLC. Mr. Dickens stated this is a contract using cooperative purchasing with the City of Grand Prairie to use a new onyx material that is expected to last longer and cure faster than current materials used. Mr. Dickens further stated he reviewed Grand Prairie's streets and noticed the material held up well, and also the price is less than current materials. He lastly stated the curing time is only about 4 hours, allowing less downtime for residents.

Councilmember McKenzie moved to authorize the city manager to contract with Innovative Roadway Solution, LLC. utilizing the interlocal cooperative purchasing agreement with the City of the Grand Prairie and the existing Surface Preservation Treatment Contract Grand Prairie has with Innovative Roadway Solution, LLC. Motion seconded by Councilmember Miller. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

11. Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a grant development agreement with JG Grant Consulting LLC, dba Complete Virtual Business Solutions for a Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency grant

Mayor Wilson recognized Assistant City Manager Clayton Fulton who reviewed the agreement with JC Grant Consulting for a Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency grant. Mr. Fulton stated this grant is to help fund a smart metering solution and would require a 50% match but could result in funding up to \$5,000,000.

Councilmember Miller moved to authorize the city manager to enter into a grant development agreement with JG Grant Consulting LLC, dba Complete Virtual Business Solutions for a Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency grant. Motion seconded by Councilmember Shepard. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Shepard, McKenzie, Miller, Waldron and Meeks

No: None

12. Review of upcoming calendar items

City Manager Clay Caruthers reviewed the Future Events Calendar and stated City Hall would be closed March 29, 2024 for Good Friday and further noted the Recreation Center

would be open that day, but the Senior Center would be closed. Mr. Caruthers noted the extra bulk collection days for residents, stating those residents north of HWY 183 would be April 6 and those south of HWY 183 would be April 13. Mr. Caruthers noted the upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event would be on April 13, 8-11 a.m., at the Service Center, 2001 Precinct Line Road. He lastly noted the Doggone Egg Hunt has been rescheduled again to April 6 at 3 p.m. to be held in conjunction with the City Pups & Pints event at the Hurst Dog Park.

13. City Council Reports - Items of Community Interest

Councilmember Jon McKenzie commended city staff for the life guard recruiting efforts, as he has noticed signs on vehicles and all across the city.

Councilmember John Miller commended city staff on the Eggstravaganza event and the food trucks at the event.

**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**

Brooke Held, 540 Livingston Drive: Spoke in favor of the City establishing a ‘safe routes to school’ program, noting now that the traffic near Hurst Elementary has been redirected to one-way, sidewalks are needed on the street.

Thomas Christy, 1648 Oak Creek: Spoke to an issue with homeless people in the City and cars being broken into on their street. He thinks the City should adjust policy and consider putting up signs to deter donations, similar to those found in City of Arlington.

Emily Duskocil, 1925 Sage Trail: Asked how to reinforce contractors pulling permits in the city.


Mayor Wilson recognized LD Bell and TCC students in attendance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

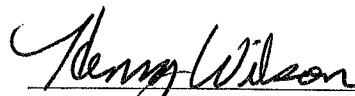
The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**APPROVED** this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024.

**ATTEST:**

  
Rita Frick, City Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
Henry Wilson, Mayor