

**Minutes
Hurst City Council
Work Session
Tuesday, June 25, 2024**

On the 25th day of June 2024, at 5:15 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson	)	Mayor
John Miller	)	Mayor Pro Tem
Cathy Brotherton	)	Councilmembers
Cindy Shepard)	
Jon McKenzie)	
Gary N. Waldron)	
Jimmy Meeks)	
Clay Caruthers	)	City Manager
Matthew Boyle	)	City Attorney
Clayton Fulton	)	Assistant City Manager
Malaika Marion Farmer	)	Assistant City Manager
Rita Frick	)	City Secretary
Chris Connolly	)	Executive Director of Economic Development
Steve Niekamp	)	Police Chief
Kyle Gordon	)	Executive Director of Community Services

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

I. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

The Work Session items were discussed in the following order: II, IV and V. The remaining items were not discussed.

II. Informational Items

- **Update and discussion of upcoming Calendar Items** – Staff noted the TML Annual Conference would be October 9 – 11, 2024 in Houston and the Stars and Stripes Event on July 3, 2024.
- **Update, discussion and presentation from Tarrant Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Joe Don Bobbitt regarding the purpose of the District** – Tarrant Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Joe Don Bobbit who introduced Quality Manager Grady Ewing. Chief Appraiser Bobbit provided an overview of the District’s actions regarding a recent cyber-attack including new computer equipment and software to address an older system, utilizing funding from reserves, and their focus on transparency and customer service.
- **Update and discussion of Board, Commission, and Committee appointments** – City Manager Clay Caruthers noted the Mayor’s suggested starting point for discussion regarding appointments would eliminate alternate positions and shift existing alternates into active roles. He stated staff is working with the attorney to amend necessary ordinances, including reassigning members from the Neighborhood and Community Advisory Committee to a new Public Safety and Infrastructure Committee. Council

discussed the appointments and structure, the proposed slate presented including reappointments, and Councilmember Meeks being appointed to Place 4 on the Community Services Development Corporation.

III. Update and discussion of Regular Agenda Items

IV. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 4

Consider Resolution 1860 joint resolution of the Cities of Euless, Hurst, and Bedford, Texas authorizing staff to pursue a statutory amendment to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 394 regarding Housing Finance Corporations in municipalities and counties

City Manager Clay Caruthers briefed Council on the proposed joint resolution requested by the City of Euless. He reviewed the Texas Housing Finance Corporations Act regarding tax credits noting current law allows a Housing Finance Corporation to acquire land outside of their jurisdiction and own property in another jurisdiction without knowledge or approval by the city, which has a substantial financial impact to communities. Council discussed the impact to the community and citizens.

V. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 5

Consider authorizing the city manager to enter into a contract with EMERGICON for emergency medical billing

Fire Chief Brent Craft briefed Council on the proposed contract with EMERGICON for emergency medical billing noting they are a Dallas based company and provide service to more than 180 Texas EMS providers. Chief Craft reviewed the proposed services to be provided.

VI. Discussion of Agenda Item(s) 6

Consider appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees

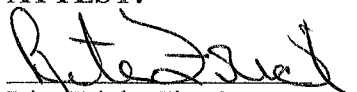
EXECUTIVE SESSION in Compliance with the Provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Tex. Government Code Section 551.087 deliberation and conducting of economic development negotiations regarding financial information relative to prospective business expansion in the City and to reconvene in Open Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session

Mayor Wilson recessed the meeting to Executive Session at 6:02 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law, authorized by Tex. Government Code Section 551.087 deliberation and conducting of economic development negotiations regarding financial information relative to prospective business expansion in the City and reconvened open session at 6:24 p.m.

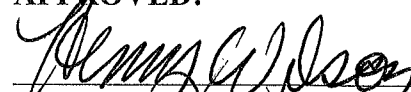
VII. ADJOURNMENT –The Work Session adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

APPROVED this the 9th of July 2024.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Wilson, Mayor