City of Hutto

Minutes

City Council Meeting

Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 7:00 PM

City Council Chambers – 500 W. Live Oak Street

1. **CALL SESSION TO ORDER** – 7:00 PM

2. **ROLL CALL**

   Members of Council present: Mayor Snyder, Councilmember Warner, Councilmember Morris, Councilmember Zepeda, Councilmember Porterfield and Councilmember King

   Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Thornton

   STAFF:

   Staff members present: James Earp, City Manager; Matt Wojnowski, Assistant City Manager; Dottie Palumbo, Legal Counsel; David Amsler, Executive Director of Strategic Operations; Nick Angeli, Management Fellow; Alberta Barrett, Finance Director; Christina Bishop, Assistant Finance Director; Sara Cervantes, Executive Director of Community Services; Rick Coronado, Public Works Director; Patricia Davis, Interim City Engineer; Abby Fenton, Communications Manager; Cheney Gamboa, Director of Economic Development; Laura Hallmark, City Secretary; Kelly Isham, Deputy Director of Emergency Management; Dwain Jones, Assistant Police Chief; Howard Koontz, Director of Development Services; Todd Meaker, Construction Inspection Supervisor; Kate Moriarty, Executive Director of Administrative Services; David Reeves, IT Manager; Kristiana Spencer, Director of Human Resources; Nathan Spraggins, Police Lieutenant; Brayden Worley, Budget Coordinator; Jeffrey Yarbrough, Police Chief

3. **INVOCATION –** John Latham – Grace Baptist Church

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   Rudy Perez

This item was taken out of order:

12.1 General Comments from City Council

Mayor Snyder and Councilmembers presented a proclamation in recognition of the 11th anniversary of the Chris Kelley 5K, which will be held on June 27, 2026 at 8:00 PM at Brushy Creek Amphitheater in Adam Orgain Park.

6. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

6.1. Consideration and possible action regarding possible appointments, re-appointments and/or removals to City Boards, Commissions, Task Forces, Economic Development Corporations, Local Government Corporations and Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Boards, and Area Government appointments.

Motion by Councilmember Morris, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to appoint the following to the Ethics Review Commission: Meli Salinas and Larry Douglas. Motion passed 6:0.

Motion by Councilmember Morris, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to remove the following from the 150th Celebration Committee: Irma Gonzalez, Tanya Ward, Caitlin Morales, Eric Bell, Samantha Culberson and Natalee Walters. Motion passed 6:0.

Motion by Mayor Snyder, second by Councilmember Morris, to appoint the following to the 150th Celebration Committee: Peter Gordon, Robin Sutton and Brandy McCool. Motion passed 5:1 (Porterfield).

Motion by Councilmember Morris, second by Mayor Snyder, to appoint Councilmember Morris as the City Council liaison to the 150th Celebration Committee. Motion passed 6:0.

Motion by Mayor Snyder, second by Councilmember Morris, to appoint Councilmember Warner to the River Creek Local Government Corporation Board of Directors. Motion passed 6:0.

6.2. Consideration and possible action regarding recommendations or updates from City Council sub-committees (i.e. HISD, CIP, UDC, Public Safety, Co-Op).

Mayor Snyder appointed Councilmember Porterfield to serve on the Public Safety sub-committee. There were no updates for the HISD or CIP sub-committees. Mayor Snyder reviewed the correspondence regarding the Emergency Services District #3.

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.1. Presentation of preliminary proposed budget for FY 2026-2027. (James Earp)

This item was moved to the end of the meeting.

8. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

8.4 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-136 authorizing payment to the Williamson County Animal Shelter in the amount of $234,943.13 for FY 2026 services. (Alberta Barrett)

8.6 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-138 accepting the infrastructure improvements for the Ed Schmidt and Limmer Loop Intersection Capital Improvement Project (CIP-T10) as public infrastructure. (Patricia Davis)

8.7 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-139 accepting the infrastructure improvements for private development known as TownePlace Suites project. (Patricia Davis)

8.8 Consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. O-2026-027 accepting and approving an annual service plan update to the service and assessment plan and updated assessment rolls for the Durango Farms Public Improvement District. (Christina Bishop)

8.9 Consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. O-2026-028 accepting and approving an annual service plan update to the service and assessment plan and updated assessment rolls for the Cross Creek Public Improvement District. (Christina Bishop)

8.10 Consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. O-2026-029 accepting and approving an annual service plan update to the service and assessment plan and updated assessment rolls for the Emory Crossing Public Improvement District. (Christina Bishop)

8.12 Consideration and possible action on acceptance of the May 2026 financial report. (Alberta Barrett)

8.13 Consideration and possible action on approving the following City Council meeting minutes: June 4, 2026 Work Session and June 4, 2026 City Council Meeting. (Laura Hallmark)

Motion by Councilmember Porterfield, second by Councilmember King, to approve the items submitted on the Consent Agenda as noted above. Motion passed 6:0.

The following items were pulled for individual consideration:

8.1 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-133 authorizing the City Manager to execute a general services agreement with Holbrook Asphalt, LLC in the not-to-exceed amount of $2,000,000 for the purchase and installation of high-density mineral bond seal ("HA5") treatment for asphalt pavement through the use of a City of Hurst Interlocal Agreement. (Rick Coronado)

Rick Coronado, Public Works Director, provided the information for this item.

Motion by Councilmember King, second by Councilmember Morris, to approve the item as presented. Motion passed 6:0.

8.2 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-134 awarding full-depth repair projects, identified in the pavement condition study treatment plan, located in Hutto Old Town district, including Live Oak Street, Hutto Street, West Metcalfe Street, Liberty Street, and Church Street in the amount of $986,268.50 funded by the street maintenance and repair fund, to Bennett Paving, Inc. (Rick Coronado)

Mr. Coronado and David Amsler, Executive Director of Strategic Operations, provided information for this item.

Motion by Councilmember King, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to approve the item as presented. Motion passed 6:0.

8.3 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-135 authorizing the City Manager to execute Task order #1 under a general service agreement with Holbrook Asphalt, LLC in the amount of $239,902.43 for the purchase and installation of high-density mineral bond seal ("HA5") treatment for asphalt pavement. (Rick Coronado)

Mr. Coronado provided information for this item.

Motion by Councilmember King, second by Councilmember Morris, to approve the item as presented. Motion passed 6:0.

8.5 Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. R-2026-137 authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Bennett Paving, Inc. in the amount of $145,201 related to the Citywide Sidewalk Repairs. (Rick Coronado)

Councilmember King requested that future sidewalk items provide photos of the current conditions that will be repaired.

Motion by Councilmember King, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to approve the item as presented. Motion passed 6:0.

8.11 Consideration and possible action on Ordinance No. O-2026-030 amending the FY 2026 budget for expenditures of the 2024 Certificates of Obligation Streets Fund, Utility Operating Fund, Community Benefit Fee Fund, and Hutto Economic Development Corporation. (Alberta Barrett)

Alberta Barrett – Finance Director and James Earp – City Manager, provided information for this item and outlined the process for budget amendments.

Motion by Councilmember Zepeda, second by Councilmember Morris, to approve the item as presented. Motion passed 6:0.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Discussion and Possible Action on the Independent Measurement of a Wall at the Adam Orgain Park Public Restroom Currently In-Construction (CIP P19). (Kate Moriarty)

Kate Moriarty, Executive Director of Administrative Services, provided information for this item. Dale Austin, architect with Sunland Group, provided additional information.

Motion by Councilmember Porterfield, second by Councilmember Morris, to go with staff recommendation to demolish and rebuild per contract specifications. Motion passed 6:0.

9.2 Discuss and possible action on City Council Protocols regarding the appointment process for Boards and Commissions members. (Councilmember Morris)

Councilmember Morris provided a recommendation for the Nominating Committee to change to a Nominating Secretary role and outlined the proposed process. Mayor Snyder recommended that the process revert to how it was previously managed by each member of Council appointing members to their respective seats. Example: Councilmember Place 3 would appoint members to all boards and commissions for Seat 3.

Motion by Mayor Snyder, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to bring back changes to the City Council Protocol for each City Council place to appoint to boards and commissions for their corresponding seat. Motion passed 6:0.

9.3 Discussion and possible action on the release of memos related to the Williamson County Emergency Services District #3. (Mayor Snyder)

Motion by Mayor Snyder, second by Councilmember Porterfield, to release every legal memo, email and any related documents including, but not limited to: letter from Chief Kerwood rescinding agreement, correspondence with Commissioner Boles, any Chapter 775 related information and post it on the website. Motion passed 6:0.

This item was taken out of order:

7.1. Presentation of preliminary proposed budget for FY 2026-2027. (James Earp)

Ms. Barrett provided an overview of the proposed budget. Mr. Earp, David Reeves – IT Manager and Police Chief Jeffrey Yarbrough provided additional information.

Council discussion regarding summer camp costs and charges for residents/non-residents; Special Response Team requested equipment; possible alternatives to offset payment to County by covering patrol of portions of Extraterritorial Jurisdiction; possible offset of sales tax rate with increased homestead exemption amount.

Future budget meeting dates were discussed as follows:
August 1st – Budget Workshop (if needed)
August 13th – Discuss tax rate; take record vote and schedule public hearing
September 3rd – public hearing/meeting on budget and/or tax rate
September 10th – public hearing/meeting to consider adoption of the tax rate and budget

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

10.1 Receive legal advice pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071, (Consultation with Attorney), to deliberate and seek legal advice regarding: a) The proposed Interlocal Wastewater Agreement by and between the City of Hutto and the City of Round Rock to facilitate wastewater service to the Chandler Road Project; and b) Interlocal Agreement with Hutto Independent School District for Improvements to CR 137 and FM 1660 S Intersection.

10.2 Receive legal advice pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and deliberations pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.072, (Real Property); 551.087 (Economic Development Negotiations) related to pending economic development projects being considered by the Hutto Economic Development Corporation or the City of Hutto, including but not limited to: (a) Project Core; (b) Project Cottonwood; (c) Project Football (d) Project Lake; (

e) Project Blue Hub; (f) Project Heartbeat; (g) Project Air; (h) Project Orchard; (i) Project Sprouts; (j) Project Megasite; (k) Project Shrine; (l) Proposed City of Hutto Fire Station #1; (m) Project Crawford; (n) Project Dynamite; (o) Project 609; (p) Project 611; and (q) Alphagraphics Hutto.

10.3 Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071 (Attorney Consultation) and section 551.072 (Real Estate) to deliberate and seek legal advice regarding the acquisition of real property interests as part of the CR 137 project (CIP T05-2023): a Parcel 2.

In Executive Session at 10:38 PM. Out at 12:43 AM, with the exception of 10.3.

11. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

11.1 Consideration and possible action related to Executive Session agenda items, listed above.

There was no action taken.

12. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

This item was recalled:

12.1 General Comments from City Council

Councilmember Morris announced Williamson County event at Old Settler's Park in Round Rock; Juneteenth even at Adam Orgain Park the previous weekend; the Library's event with the sitar performance; neurodivergent program created by Brian Kennard.

Councilmember Zepeda announced the Hutto Public Library was awarded three additional grants from the Texas Commission of Arts cover costs of programs this summer.

12.2 Future Agenda Items

There were none for this item.

13. ADJOURNMENT – 12:47 AM

Mike Snyder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura Hallmark

Laura Hallmark, City Secretary

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