

**TOWN OF HOLLYWOOD PARK
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, AT 6:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Drash called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION:

00:22 Councilmember Todd Kounse led the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

00:44 Mayor Drash led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ROLL CALL

1:05 Councilmembers present: Mayor Drash, Councilmember Rodriguez, Councilmember Kounse, Councilmember Randol, Councilmember Gonzalez, and Councilmember Pearce.

City Staff present: Fire Chief Burnside, Sgt. Travis Thornton, City Treasurer Fred Timmons, City Secretary Jeannette Huggins, and City Attorney Mike McCann.

City Staff absent: Police Chief Prichard

V. EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARD

VI. REPORTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS

1) 2:08 FD: Chief Burnside spoke about using caution when frying a turkey. He reported 58 calls for service in the month of October of which 29 were EMS calls for service, which included 20 ALS calls for service and 5 being motor vehicle crashes. HPFD also responded to 10 mutual aid calls for Bexar-Bulverde FD. Wellness checks will continue every other Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- Citizen Recognition: Fire Chief Burnside presented an Award of Recognition to Paul Goedecke for his outstanding community service provided to the Town of Hollywood Park. Paul organized and led his Scout Troop to paint fire hydrants throughout Hollywood Park.

11:28 At the request of Councilmember Pearce, Paul Goedecke spoke to the City Council about his experience working on this project. Paul reported that his Troop was able to paint 119 fire hydrants with 40 volunteers totaling 170 service hours. He explained the yellow and green hydrants used to signify it as an older hydrant. The yellow body signified the hydrant is for a municipality and the green cap indicated the hydrant releases 1000-1500 gpm. The colors may not have the same significance anymore.

2) 14:20 PD: Sgt. Thornton reported the Police Department handled 358 calls for service for the month of October of which 6 were offense reports with 6 total arrests. There were 542 traffic citations issued in October of which 73 were warnings. The CID is investigating mail theft and burglary reports from October.

Sgt. Thornton also recognized, on behalf of Chief Prichard, the Detective Sgt. Assigned to the DEA was recognized by the Asst. Director of the FBI Criminal Investigations for

having one of the top ten productive investigations for 2024 for a major transnational organized crime in the Western ha operation No Lift. This was one of the FBI's top ten cases in the year and our Det. Sergeant's work on the case was critical to the case.

- 3) 22:11 City Treasurer: Fred Timmons reported total revenues in the General Fund for the month of September were \$185,084. Total expenses for the month were \$509,065 which resulted in excess expenses for the month of \$323,981. For the year ending September 30, 2025, total revenues in the General Fund were \$6,348,787. Total expenses for the year were \$6,430,362. This resulted in excess expenses for the year of \$81,575.
- 4) 24:59 Administration: Jeannette Huggins, City Secretary, reported in Municipal Court there were 255 defendants, 676 violations on the docket of which 120 defendants appeared. The Court Clerk issued 109 warrants in the month of October. There was a total of 40 residential permits issued during the month of October, 3 commercial permits, and 70 tree permits issued.
- 5) 27:58 City Attorney: Nothing to report in open session.
- 6) 28:09 Code Enforcement/Public Works: Reported by Mayor Drash – In October Code Enforcement handled a total of 80 calls for service with 31 confirmed violations. The majority of contacts involved contractors and tree-related needs. Voigt rentals remain steady.
- 7) 31:06 Mayor's monthly report: Mayor Drash reported the Town has been sued by resident Randy Tomasini. Mayor Drash spoke about recent social media comments regarding animal trapping. Sgt. Bass, of the HPPD, who is also a licensed Animal Control Officer and the Town's current Deer Manager was asked by a resident to place a trap on their property. Sgt. Bass was able to trap a coyote on their property as part of the predator control in Hollywood Park.
1:02:39 Mayor Drash mentioned skipping a December 2025 City Council meeting. Mayor requested Councilmember's input by email.

VII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION 34:17

- Zach Bamba, a representative from Congressman Tony Gonazales' office acknowledged the work performed by Paul Goedecke and wants to work with Chief Burnside to get him Congressional recognition. With new Congressional mapping, Mr. Bamba wanted to take time to introduce himself and say that he looks forward to working with Town leadership on various initiatives.
- Delaine Hall spoke about Code of Ethics that City Council follows and the conflict of interest with Councilmembers running the program and their families who work at the Town Snack Shack.
- Martha Sanchez spoke about executive session on the agenda regarding the EDC and the shopping center matter presented to the EDC.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA 40:56

1. Approval of the Minutes of the October 21, 2025, Regular City Council meeting.
2. Acceptance of the Financial Statements as of September 30, 2025.

Councilmember Pearce moved to pull the September meeting minutes to discuss. Councilmember Randol seconded the motions, which passed unanimously. *Councilmember Pearce pointed out a typographical errors for correction on page 26, number VIII and on page 27.*

Councilmember Pearce moved to approve the minutes as amended as well as accepting the financial statements as of September 30, 2025. Councilmember Kounse seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. 44:17 Discuss and take potential action to approve adding Mayor Pro Tem Wendy Gonzalez and City Secretary Jeannette Huggins as signors on the Town's checking account with Plains Capital Bank and to remove Councilmember Randol as a signor on the Town's checking account with Plains Capital Bank.

a) Citizen Comment: None

b) Discussion: City Treasurer Fred Timmons explained this is a requirement by the Town' bank.

45:39 Councilmember Pearce moved to add Mayor Pro Tem Gonzlez and Jeannette Huggins as signors on the Plains Capital Bank account and to remove William D. Randol as a signor. Councilmember Kounse seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

2. 46:01 Discuss and take potential action to approve an Ordinance amending the Town of Hollywood Park fiscal year 2024-2025 budget to amend expenditure balances of the Fire Department and Parks and Recreation Department.

a) Citizen Comment: None

b) Discussion: City Treasurer Fred Timmons explained the Fire Dept. and the Parks and Recreation are in excess of budget. The increase was recommended by the auditor so that the departments do not reflect a deficit in their budgets. There will be no change to the overall budget as the funds are moved from accounts in the budget not being used.

50:57 Councilmember Gonzalez moved to approve the Ordinance Amending the fiscal year 24-25 budget to amend expenditure balances for the Fire Department and Parks and Recreation Department. Councilmember Randol seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

3. 51:17 Discuss and take potential action to approve updates to the Town's workman's Compensation policy for first responders in order to align with Texas HB 471, which was passed in the 88th legislation and signed into law.

c) Citizen Comment: None

d) Discussion: Mayor Drash explained an ordinance will be required, at this time the ordinance has not been prepared. Fire Chief Burnside explained the law requires that any first responder experiencing an on-the-job injury which falls under Worker's Comp. plan, the Town is required to cover 100% of the employees pay instead of the 70/30 previously in place.

Councilmember Randol discussed defining Worker's Comp. injury and what is not and the need to be careful in defining such in the ordinance.

59:35 Mayor Drash provided direction to the City Attorney to draft an ordinance for this matter.

4. 1:00:18 Discuss and take potential action to approve updates to Sec. 7.08 Appendix B. - Incentive Pay Rates of the Hollywood Park Personnel Policy Manual related to HPFD certifications and incentive pay.

c) Citizen Comment

d) Discussion

1:01:01 This item was tabled pending additional information.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION 1:03:35

The City Council will convene into a closed executive session regarding any matter listed on this agenda if such discussion is permitted under the law under the Texas Government Code § 551.071 and §551.074 consult with attorney.

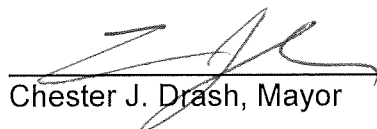
- Discussion with legal counsel on the use of EDC funds.
- Discussion with legal counsel on options under state law regarding Hollywood Park EDC.
- Discussion with legal counsel regarding Randy Tomasini v. Town of Hollywood Park, et al.
- Discussion with Council regarding a personnel matter.
- Discussion with legal counsel regarding an update on the matter regarding the perceived harassment of Hollywood Park employees.

1:04:55 City Council convened into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m.

3:08:40 City Council reconvened to open session. No actions taken.

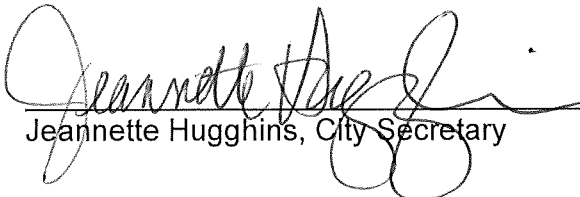
XIII. ADJOURNMENT 3:08:46

The minutes of this meeting were approved on the 28th day of January, 2026.



Chester J. Drash, Mayor

Attest:



Jeannette Huggins, City Secretary