



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025  
102 Trophy Drive, The Hills, Texas 78738  
9:00AM**

A meeting of the City Council ("Council") of the Village of The Hills ("the Village") was held in person and remotely. Mayor called the meeting to order, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Council to with:

**Present:**

Kevin Proud, Mayor  
Rick Van Dalen, Councilmember/Treasurer  
Matt Marietta, Councilmember

Sarah Carroll, Mayor Pro Tem  
Marty Khait, Councilmember

thus, constituting a quorum.

**Not Present:**

Lee Crawford, Councilmember

**Also Present:**

Angie Massey, City Administrator/City Secretary  
Josh Brockman-Weber City Attorney  
Constable Deputy Lopez  
Members of the public

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Proud called the meeting to order at 9:00AM

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Proud led the Pledge of Allegiance

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public who were identifiable and present include Greg Wharton, Tom Harrelson, Karthik Naralasetty, and Diana Proud.

**4. PRESENTATION**

None.

## **5. CONSENT ITEMS**

### **A. Approve the Minutes of March 11, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting**

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda

Second: Councilmember Marietta seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

## **6. REPORTS**

### **A. Constable's Report**

Deputy Lopez discussed with the council the report for March.

### **B. Parks and Recreation Liaison**

Councilmember Marietta provided an update along with Councilmember Khait on the meeting most recently March 26<sup>th</sup>, Spring Fling event scheduled for Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Councilmember Khait stated that the Parks and Recreation Commission approved the application for Janette Sikorski.

### **C. POA Liaison**

City Administrator stated that they talked about Lohman's Crossing intersection, their finances look good, they requested that anyone that has not paid their dues to pay them.

### **D. YAC Liaison**

Mayor Pro Tern Carroll stated that the YAC was working on the Spring Fling event. Mayor Pro Tem Carroll also stated that if anyone is interested should apply for the \$1000.00 scholarship which closes April 15.

### **E. MUD Liaison**

Councilmember Crawford is not in attendance, but he did do a summary on the meeting that was conducted on March 25<sup>th</sup> MUD presented a conceptual proposal to acquire and install a diesel generator transfer switch that will provide electric power to the water treatment plant.

### **F. City Administrator Report**

#### **i. Hills Park**

City Administrator stated that the Park is receiving several reservations, and the drinking water fountain is in working order. We have also ordered the crushed granite for the Parks parking lot to be done.

### **G. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Proud provided updates including:

#### **i. Speed Limit Sign Update**

Mayor Proud stated Speed Limit Sign update reminder to the community that we have lowered the speed limits from 30 mph to 25 mph throughout the community, except where there's a few areas where the speed limit is already posted at 20 mph we have these signs likely May 1<sup>st</sup> installation. We will continue to update the community, once the speed limit signs are installed the speed limit will be effective.

#### **ii. Website Update**

Mayor Proud stated that the website layout was discussed at the last council meeting we

continue to make progress the service provider and are looking forward to continuing working toward our estimated launch date, which would be the end of June.

iii. E-Bike Communications

Mayor Proud stated we have been sending out notices to violators of our Ordinance. We will continue to enforce E-bike and unregistered electric dirt bikes and continue communications with the Lakeway Police Department.

iv. POA Liaison/Mayor Meeting

Mayor Proud stated that he met with the POA Liaison Greg Wharton to discuss how we can continue to work toward our common goals for the community. He thanked Greg Wharton and Tom Harrelson, the POA broadly for their continued partnership. One issue that came up is that we'd like to remind the community that short term rentals are against the POA rules, and the city has an ordinance that predates the POA Rules that include fines for violators that are not complying with city ordinances as well as POA violations.

## **7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. Discuss, consider and take action on the Finance/Treasurer Report for March 2025.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Councilmember Van Dalen Provided a status update on the year to date budget in good standing.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll motioned to approve the Finance/Treasurer Report for March 2025.

Second: Councilmember Marietta seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

**B. Discuss, consider and take action on the Parks and Recreation Commission volunteer nominee appointment of Janette Sikorski.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Councilmember Marietta stated that the Parks and Recreation Commission voted to approve Janette Sikorski application.

Motion: Councilmember Marietta motioned to approve the Application of Janette Sikorski application for the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Second: Councilmember Khait seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

**C. Discuss and take appropriate action on an ORDINANCE 2025-007- AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS ESTABLISHING AN APPOINTED WELCOME COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING A PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR COMPOSITION; PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT; PROVIDING TERMS; PROVIDING FOR REMOVAL; PROVIDING FOR OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Councilmember Khait provided more insight on the Commission purpose and that there is interest in the community for this commission.

Motion: Councilmember Marietta motioned to approve the Ordinance 2025-007 – An Ordinance of the Village of the Hills, Texas Establishing an appointed Welcome Committee; providing for findings of fact; providing a purpose; providing a purpose; providing for duties; providing for composition; providing for appointment; providing terms; providing for removal providing for officers; providing for meetings; and providing an effective date with amendment as discussed..

Mayor Pro Tem Amended the motion, with agreement by Councilmember Matt Marietta, for the document to read:4-7 Members

Second: Councilmember Van Dalen seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

- D. Discuss and take appropriate action to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2025-009 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE CITY CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11.01.003 ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM VEHICLE SPEED LIMIT ON CITY STREETS; CREATING AN OFFENSE AND PROVIDING FOR PENALITIES NOT TO EXCEED \$200.00 PER OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS AND REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Consensus that this an amendment basically of the last speed limit ordinance that we had, updating language provided by legal counsel , as well as clarifying that some speed limits are already posted at under 25 miles an hour, can remain the mile an hour speed limit

Motion: Councilmember Marietta motioned to approve to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-009- AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE CITY CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION 11.01.003 ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM VEHICLE SPEED LIMIT ON CITY STREETS; CREATING AN OFFENSE AND PROVIDING FOR PENALITIES NOT TO EXCEED \$200.00 PER OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS AND REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Second: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

- E. Discuss, consider and take action to regarding RESOLUTION NO. 2025-006 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS SUPPORTING THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF CITY RESOURCES AND THE TIME OF CITY EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Mayor Proud stated that this Resolution encourages the responsible use of city resources and time. We are committed to ensuring that we still provide services to all residents, and we would urge everyone to help us use our limited resources wisely.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll motioned to approve the RESOLUTION NO. 2025-006 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS SUPPORTING THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF CITY RESOURCES AND THE TIME OF CITY EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Second: Councilmember Marietta seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

- F. Discuss, consider and take action to **ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2025-010 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES BY AMENDING ARTICLE 2.04 "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES" OF CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING A NEW DIVISION 3 TO BE ENTITLED "LEGAL DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION"; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE REPEALER/SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Citizen participation: None

Council discussed: Mayor Proud stated that it's designed to protect our city officers, employees and dedicated volunteers from liability when they serve our community in good faith. This Ordinance ensures that those who represent us can perform their duties without apprehension, thereby encouraging more residents to participate in our government and commissions for providing legal defense and indemnification. We are enforcing our commitment to support every volunteer and public servant knowing that their work is vital to our community's wellbeing.

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll motioned to approve to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO.2025-010 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THE HILLS, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES BY AMENDING ARTICLE 2.04 "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES" OF CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING A NEW DIVISION 3 TO BE ENTITLED "LEGAL DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION"; PROVIDING FOR THE INCORPORATION OF PREMISES; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT; PROVIDING A CUMULATIVE REPEALER/SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Second: Councilmember Van Dalen seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against.

**Councilmembers convened into Executive Session at 9:36 A.M.**

## **8. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Mayor and City Council may adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matters listed on the agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code including, but not limited to, Sections §551.071 (Consultation with

attorney).

§551.071 Consultation with City Attorney concerning enforcement of city ordinances regarding short term rentals and e-bikes and conservation of city resources.

A. **POSSIBLE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**The City Council will reconvene in open session to discuss, consider, and/or take any action necessary to any of the items noticed for discussion during the executive session.**

**Councilmembers reconvened into Open Session at 10:17 A.M.**

Mayor Proud stated no action was taken in the Executive Session.

9. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REQUESTS**

- A. New business items to be included on the next agenda.
- i. Existing Fire Code
  - ii. HOT Ordinance
  - iii. Update Noise Ordinance

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Mayor Pro Tem Carroll motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:19 A.M.

Second: Councilmember Van Dalen seconded the motion

Vote: Motion carried 5 in favor, 0 against

Signed this 13 day of May, 2025.

  
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KEVIN PROUD, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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ANGIE MASSEY, CITY SECRETARY