

On this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., the City Commission of the City of Hereford, Texas, convened in a regular session in the Commission Chamber in City Hall, the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been given as prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, with the following members being present and in attendance, to-wit:

Cathy Bunch, Mayor  
 Rose Mary Barrett, Commissioner Place One  
 Clint Savoini, Commissioner Place Three  
 Deven Black, Commissioner Place Six  
 Steve Bartels, City Manager  
 Wade Hawkins, Assistant City Manager  
 Franchesca Jimenez, City Secretary  
 Audie Sciumbato, City Attorney

Absent: Mark Collier, Commissioner Place Four  
 James Stow, Commissioner Place Five

Also in attendance were Todd Murray, Robert Jones, Landon Swan, Ted White, Armando Gonzalez, and Robert Chavez.

Jim Steiert from Hereford Brand was in attendance to witness the proceedings.

Mayor Bunch voiced the invocation and then called upon Commissioner Savoini to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag. She called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

### **REGULAR HEARINGS:**

#### **ITEM 1 – Public Comments.**

Mayor Bunch reminded the audience of the 3-minute limit and also the rule that the public is not allowed to approach the dais and will be escorted out of the chamber after the meeting adjourns.

Jim Steiert stated he lives on Westhaven, and on March 24<sup>th</sup>, during the windstorm, a tree fell in his alley and wiped out a power line. He thanked the city for coming by with their equipment to remove the fallen tree.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

*(Mayor Bunch opened the public hearing at 6:37 p.m.)*

**ITEM 2 - Consider and take appropriate action on a zoning change request (Ordinance No. 04.07.25) for property located at 820 S. McKinley legally described as N50' of the S200' of the E 140', BLK 3 RICKETTS from "R-1" Single Family District to "MH" Mobile Home District. (Requested by Raymond Hastings)**

ORDINANCE NO. 04.07.25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1193, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HEREFORD REZONING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT TO "MH" MOBILE HOME DISTRICT

Commissioner Barrett made the motion to approve the zoning change request as approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Commissioner Black seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 3 - Consider and take appropriate action on a zoning change request (Ordinance No. 04.07.25A) for property located at 824 S. McKinley legally described as N50' of the E/20, BLK 3 RICKETTS from "R-1" Single Family District to "MH" Mobile Home District. (Requested by Fidel M. Reyna, Jr.)**

ORDINANCE NO. 04.07.25A

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1193, THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HEREFORD REZONING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM "R-1" SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT TO "MH" MOBILE HOME DISTRICT

Commissioner Alonzo made the motion to approve the zoning change request as approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Commissioner Barrett seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

*(Mayor Bunch closed the public hearing at approximately 6:38 p.m.)*

**REGULAR HEARINGS:**

**ITEM 4 - Consider approval of minutes for the March 17th, 2025 Regular meeting.**

Commissioner Savoini made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Alonzo seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 5 - Consider approval of budget adjustment in the amount of \$50,000.00 in the Parks Department to cover the additional cost of the splash pads.**

Commissioner Savoini made the motion to approve the budget adjustment in the amount of \$50,000.00 in the Parks Department. Commissioner Barrett seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 6 - Consider approval of installation of splash pads.**

Commissioner Alonzo made the motion to approve the installation of splash pads at Ironwood Park and Langley Park. Commissioner Black seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 7 - Consider Ordinance 04.07.25B addressing the care and maintenance of trees located within the city limits; establishing a Tree Board; providing for standards of tree care; providing for enforcement and penalties; providing a repealer clause; providing a severability clause; and providing an effective date.**

ORDINANCE NO. 04.07.25B

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HEREFORD, TEXAS ADDRESSING THE CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TREES LOCATED WITH THE CITY LIMITS; ESTABLISHING A TREE BOARD; PROVIDING FOR STANDARDS OF TREE CARE; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Savoini made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 04.07.25B. Commissioner Alonzo seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 8 - Consider approval of appointment of members to the Hereford Tree Board.**

Mayor Bunch stated the Hereford Tree Board must be in place to be established as a Tree City USA. The Hereford Tree Board's purposes are for planting, educating, and aesthetic enhancement. The following people have indicated they would be willing to serve on the board: Cathy Bunch, Kim Bigham, Kim Leonard, Marisela Nanez, Monica Zepeda, Patricia Bravo, and Robert Jones.

Commissioner Savoini made the motion to approve the appointment of members to the Hereford Tree Board. Commissioner Black seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 9- Discuss and consider approval of extension of city services to 125 S. Kingwood Street. (Requested by Ted Hoelsher)**

City Manager Bartels stated 125 S. Kingwood Street is south of the cemetery, the owner will have to bore under Kingwood Street to make the connection at the owner's expense.

Commissioner Alonzo made the motion to approve the extension of city services to 125 S. Kingwood Street. Commissioner Barrett seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 10 - Consider approval of façade improvement grant application approved by the Hereford Beautification Advisory Board at a regular meeting held April 1, 2025. (Requested by Sara Brummett of Haven Corner located at 344 E 3rd Street)**

City Manager Bartels stated the amount of the grant will be \$1,071.68.

Commissioner Savoini made the motion to approve the façade improvement grant application approved by the Hereford Beautification Advisory Board at a regular meeting held April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 requested by Sara Brummett of Haven Corner located at 344 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Commissioner Black seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

**ITEM 11 - Announcements and comments from Mayor and City Commissioners.**

Commissioner Savoini stated he watched the grand opening of the John Bunch Complex from afar and it was outstanding. He also thanked Mr. Steiert for his positive comment about the city.

Commissioner Alonzo stated she would like to see the local teams utilize the concession stand to do fundraisers for their teams.

Commissioner Barrett stated it was fun watching the kids at the grand opening. She would also like to give local teams the opportunity to make money for their teams. She is excited about the trees and thanked those in attendance.

Commissioner Black stated the grand opening was a nice day and he enjoyed seeing the town behind it and all those that contributed.

Mayor Bunch thanked the City of Hereford, Hereford Sports and Wellness, Caviness Beef Packers, and Top of Texas for all their hard work. She stated it was a team effort and thanked everyone that made it great.

**ITEM 12 - Announcements and comments from City Staff.**

Parks Superintendent Jones announced work at the pickleball court at Langley Park will start on Monday and is expected to be completed within a month. He also stated a windscreen will be installed at the pickleball courts at Ironwood Park.

City Manager Bartels provided an update on the Highway 385 project; TxDOT has completed the sidewalks and will soon begin diamond grinding to smooth the road surface.

City Manager Bartels reported he, along with other city staff, attended a Xcel Energy Round Table Discussion regarding Xcel Energy's Wildfire Mitigation Plan and Public Safety Power Shutoffs. The discussion was about power shutoffs to prevent wildfires, and he provided the Commission with a brief summary of the meeting.

City Manager Bartels stated he attended the grand opening and the Boots vs. Badges game, and it was fun. He stated it is exciting to see kids utilizing the complex.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:56 p.m.