



CITY OF HUTCHINS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, August 04, 2025 at 6:30 PM
City Hall, 321 N. Main Street**

A Regular Meeting of the Hutchins City Council to be held on Monday, August 4, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at Hutchins City Hall Council Chambers, 321 N. Main Street, Hutchins, Texas, at which time the following items were discussed and considered.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM PRESENT

Mayor Vasquez called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced a quorum.

Mayor Mario Vasquez
Mayor Pro Tem Steve Nichols
Councilmember Brenda Campbell
Councilmember Raymond Elmore
Councilmember Demarcus Odom
Councilmember America Rodriguez

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Nichols gave the invocation, and Councilmember Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. CITIZEN COMMENTS -

- John Mihalapoulos, 2000 I-45, Hutchins, spoke regarding a request for open rear gate at truck wash.
- Ezequiel Juarez, Hutchins resident, spoke in favor of opening rear gate to Runway Truck Wash.
- Paul James, Hutchins resident, spoke in favor of an ordinance against government facilities in Hutchins.

D. CONSENT AGENDA - *All items presented in the Consent Agenda require no deliberation by the Council. Each Council member has the opportunity of removing an item from this agenda so that it may be considered separately.*

1. Consider approval of city council meeting minutes for April, May and June 2025. Presented by: Cynthia Olguin

Councilmember Nichols made the motion seconded by Councilmember Campbell to approve the consent agenda as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

Voting Yea: Demarcus Odom, Brenda Campbell, Steve Nichols, Raymond Elmore, America Rodriguez

Voting Nay:

E. REGULAR AGENDA - *As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein.*

- 2. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2025 ____ AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF HUTCHINS, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2025A; PRESCRIBING THE TERMS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS REGARDING SUCH CERTIFICATES AND MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO Presented by: Maria Joyner, Director of Finance**

Staff requested the item be tabled until September 15, 2025 council meeting in order to allow for notification to be posted on the website.

Councilmember Nichols made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Elmore, to table the item until the next meeting on September 15, 2025. All in favor, the motion carried.

Voting Yea: Demarcus Odom, Brenda Campbell, Steve Nichols, Raymond Elmore, America Rodriguez

Voting Nay:

- 3. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION R2025-08-1279 OF THE CITY OF HUTCHINS, TEXAS, DECLARING EXPECTATION TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES WITH PROCEEDS OF FUTURE DEBT. Presented By: Maria Joyner, Director of Finance**

Councilmember Nichols made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Elmore, to approve Resolution R2025-08-1279. All in favor, the motion carried.

Voting Yea: Demarcus Odom, Brenda Campbell, Steve Nichols, Raymond Elmore, America Rodriguez

Voting Nay:

- 4. Discuss and consider the status of the animal shelter. This item was placed on the agenda by Council Member Odom.**

Councilmember Odom requested discussion regarding the animal shelter, stating that he recalls previous discussion that the current location was intended as a temporary solution and that the council would consider other options.

Mayor Vasquez confirmed that the facility was originally intended as a temporary solution. However, the council moved forward with renovations and expansions, investing more than \$200,000. While the original construction estimate exceeded \$7 million, the council identified a much more cost-effective approach. Councilmember Odom commended the Mayor for pursuing practical solutions. The council will consider seeking community feedback at the next Town Hall meeting.

F. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Vasquez moved the council into Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

- 5. Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council will convene into executive session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located within the City of Hutchins, Texas.**
- 6. The Hutchins City Council will hold a closed Executive Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority**

contained in §551.087. Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision to a business prospect: 1) 1220 Dowdy Ferry Road. Presented by: Guy Brown
HEDC Executive Director

G. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

7. Action, if any, as a result of Executive Session:

Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council will convene into executive session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property located within the City of Hutchins, Texas.

No action taken as a result of Executive Session.

8. Action, if any, as a result of Executive Session:

Deliberation and action regarding Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in §551.087. Deliberation and action regarding economic development negotiations. 1220 Dowdy Ferry Road

Councilmember Nichols made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Elmore to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate and executive final Chapter 380 Agreement with GFS Logistics for property located at 1220 Dowdy Ferry Road. All in favor, the motion carried.

Voting Yea: Demarcus Odom, Brenda Campbell, Steve Nichols, Raymond Elmore, America Rodriguez

Voting Nay:

H. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

9. City Secretary Olguin announced the items of community interest.

I. ADJOURN

Councilmember Elmore made the motion, seconded by Councilmember Nichols, to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. All in favor, the motion passed.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE HUTCHINS CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING
HELD ON THE 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025.**

APPROVED:

Mario Vasquez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Olguin, City Secretary