



# City of Horseshoe Bay

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## **City of Horseshoe Bay City Council Comments**

October 15, 2024

By Dan Herron, Communications Director

The City of Horseshoe Bay City Council meeting was held on October 15, 2024, at 3 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Mayor Thurman called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance. Scott Vermillion with the Church of Horseshoe Bay gave the invocation, followed by pledges to the American flag and the State of Texas flag.

### **Proclamations**

Mayor Thurman read proclamations for October that highlighted the importance of two key observances: Municipal Court Week and Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Month.

Finance Director Molly Jester read an introduction to the Proclamation Declaring November 4-8, 2024, as "Municipal Court Week." She mentioned that on Friday, Nov. 8, the Municipal Court Department will host a community coffee beginning at 10 a.m. They will have representatives from TxDOT to perform a presentation on impaired driving and bring "drunk goggles" for the guests. The goggles simulate what it feels like to be intoxicated and unable to perform simple tasks - let alone drive! Beverages, baked goods, and fruits will be provided.

Development Services Director Roy Jambor spoke to the Proclamation Declaring October 2024 as "Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Month."

### **Announcements and Staff Recognition**

Interim Utilities Director Ray Garcia introduced New City Team Members: Nicholas MacLean, a new Plant Operator.

City Manager Jeff Koska and Ray Garcia, Utilities Director presented Jackie Bob Wright, Recycling Supervisor for his five year service award.

Roy Jambor also recognized Sandra Nash, Senior Planner, with her 5-Year Service Awards.

Fire Chief Doug Fowler swore in newly graduated firefighters: Tyler Bryant, Race Landers, and James White.

Legislative Services Director Kerri Craig mentioned that applications are being accepted for City Boards, Commissions, and Committees for appointments in December 2024, with the application deadline of November 1, 2024.

### **Public Comment**



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Gibert Bennett, Emergency Management Coordinator for Llano County, thanked the City for supporting the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

A resident of the Hills neighborhood and several of his neighbors who live next door to the City Reclamation Center said they have noticed increased noise at the center in the last six months. He requested that the City investigate the increase in noise. Assistant City Manager Rick Williams said he would look into the situation to provide solutions.

## **Presentations**

Engineering consultant Kelly Dillard of Walter P. Moore presented the updated Drainage Criteria Manual, which regulates drainage improvements for new development within the City of Horseshoe Bay.

City Ordinances previously required developers to use the City of Austin Criteria as the basis for the drainage design required for all projects. The adoption of this manual allows the City to regulate drainage development in ways that complement the specific drainage conditions found in the City of Horseshoe Bay.

## **Public Hearing Items**

A. Ordinance 2025-01: The Development Services department recommended revising the ordinance to allow variance requests to permit Single-Family Estate Lots larger than 6,500 square feet in Escondido, elevating the recurring variance requests received by the City with new limits of 9,500. The Council voted, and the motion was approved.

B. Ordinance 2025-02: The Development Services department recommended amending the ordinance to allow conditional use approvals to be issued but tied to the land, thus allowing the approval to transfer to the new owner. It has one expiration condition: if unused for one year, the conditional use approval will expire. The Council voted, and the motion was approved.

C. Ordinance 2025-03: Presentation of the new Lake Church by Pastor Gene Glaeser. rezoning of the lot to allow G.U.I. use, to construct a church. This item was tabled until the November meeting due to the required notice was not advertised by the deadline.

## **Business**

A. Sign Variance Request No. 2024-01: Development Services Director Roy Jambor spoke to the request for approval of Sign Variance No. 2024-01, to allow a 17-foot wide and 30-inch tall on-premises monument sign for the Cap Rock Golf Academy located at 712 Fault Line Drive /



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Horseshoe Bay Resort Development LLC, Applicant. The Council voted, and the motion was approved.

B. Resolution 2025-04: Development Services Director Roy Jambor presented a new resolution to conditionally approve granting up to 10 active building permits plus one model home for speculative single-family or two-family residences in Tuscan Village, Phase I and Phase II only. Home builder Ryan Cummings spoke and assured the Council that he would build his homes on schedule. The Council voted, and the motion was approved.

C. Request for a Third Building Permit Extension for the Property Located at 511 Windswept, Everview Homes, Applicant. The Council voted, and the motion was approved, 60 days for \$5,000.

D. Resolution 2025-02: Designating The Highlander as the official newspaper for the City of Horseshoe Bay for fiscal year 2025. Staff was also directed staff to place notices and information in the Beacon to reach the local area citizens as well. The Council voted, and the motion was approved.

## Consent Agenda

The Council voted, and all Consent Agenda items were approved except item K. was removed from consideration.

- A. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes - September 3, 2024
- B. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes - September 17, 2024
- C. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes - September 18, 2024
- D. Approval of the Appointment of the City's Representative to the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) General Assembly
- E. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2024 Fourth Quarter Investment Report
- F. Approval of Resolution 2024-01: Conducting the Annual Review of the City's Investment Policy and Strategy as Required by Texas Government Code Section 2256.005(e)
- G. Approval of Resolution 2025-03: Amending Depository Accounts Delegated Authority and Authorized Representatives for TexPool, Texas Class, and First United Bank
- H. Approval of Annual Renewal of Agreement to Provide Firefighting Services Between the City of Horseshoe Bay and Llano County Emergency Services District 4, Llano County Municipal Utility District 1, and Deerhaven Water Control and Improvement District
- I. Resolution 2025-05: Adopting the Llano and San Saba Counties Hazard Mitigation Action Plan
- J. Approval of an Interlocal Agreement for Emergency Management with Llano County



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K. Approval of an Amendment and a Change Order to the Street Seal Coating Contract with Alpha Paving. This item was removed from the Consent Agenda because of unconducive weather conditions for applying seal coating until spring 2025.

L. Approval of a Change Order to the Concrete Flat Work Contract for the Reclamation Center with G2 Company

## Monthly Reports

City Manager Jeff Koska reported that the City received a lot of good information from the TML Conference last week, including initiating the passing of legislation actions on broadband franchise fees to recover funding for the use of HSB rights-of-ways. This will move within TML to a committee and then to a legislative bill.

**The City Center Construction Update:** The City has received all the approvals needed to start construction. A security fence has been constructed around the site. Construction has begun, and the expected completion date is December 2025. The City Manager is still negotiating with LCRA on the lease for six acres to be used as trails and parkland. The fire station is on schedule and should start construction in November.

Public Works Director Tim Foran mentioned they should start paving Horseshoe Bay West within the next week, starting with Cap Rock.

The new restrooms are completed and open. They are considering installing a new monarch butterfly garden nearby. The pavilion construction is scheduled to start next week, and upgrades are planned over the upcoming years as the budget allows.

Fire Chief Fowler commented that the humidity level is expected to be below 20 percent for the next few days and that a "Fire Danger Statement" has been issued. The City is taking proactive steps to prepare for any unforeseen fire incidents.

- Contract Mowers will stop at 11 am (string mowing/weed eating is okay anytime)
- Both Fire Stations will run with their engine and be shadowed by the brush truck to minimize response to any grass, brush, or wildland fire.
- The South End Task Force will be dispatched on every reported outdoor fire. The South End Task Force comprises five brush trucks and one or two tenders (water trucks). Each jurisdiction sends a brush truck (HSB, Spicewood, Granite Shoals, Marble Falls Fire, Marble Falls Area VFD).
- The Llano Commissioners Court issued a burn ban today, and Burnet County issued a county-wide burn ban on Sept. 24.



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Residents have inquired about donating funds to purchase a fire boat. The chief has spent several months considering their options. They have decided to utilize Dallas Foundation to set up the ability for citizens to be able to donate to a fund to the Fire department. The first item is the fire boat, which has a \$300,000 price tag. He mentioned that donations are allowed under the law and are tax-deductible.

The Fire Department is participating in the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System to assist with response and recovery efforts in other states. Just before Hurricane Milton landed, HSB FD was placed on standby for a 21-day deployment to Florida. Still, because of the availability of resources in neighboring states, assistance was not needed to deploy. If the deployment had occurred, the State of Texas would have paid for its service and the overtime backfilled in HSB. By participating in this program, he stressed that the City will not be overburdened or placed in a disadvantageous staffing position.

## **Executive Session**

Convened to Executive Session at 4:35 p.m. to discuss Executive Session Items A, B, and C. Present: Mayor Elsie Thurman, Council Member Jeff Jones, Council Member Larry Morgan, Council Member Frank Hosea, City Manager Jeff Koska, Legislative Services Director Kerri Craig, Executive Assistant Adrienne Mapel, Assistant City Manager Rick Williams, Public Works Director Tim Foran, Police Chief Jason Graham, and City Attorney Marianne Landers Banks. Reconvened to the regular meeting at 5:32 p.m. The following action was taken after returning to the open meeting:

Item A: Council Member Hosea motioned to direct the City Manager to discuss with the Raley's the general plan reflecting the will of the Council to include access to the memorial, adequate parking off of Stagecoach, and access to Fox Park, and to draft an agreement that may be signed by the Mayor without further action by Council. Council Member Jones seconded. VOTE: 3-0 in favor, motion passed.

Item B: No action taken.

Item C: Council Member Hosea motioned to approve the City Manager's employment contract as presented. Council Member Jones seconded. VOTE: 3-0 in favor, motion passed.

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To find out more about the Council meeting and view the Council Meeting packet, go to the City's website at <https://www.horseshoe-bay-tx.gov/agendacenter>. We hope you will join us for the meeting and have a safe and relaxing weekend.

## PHOTO IDs



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City Manager Jeff Koska and Utilities Interim Director Ray Garcia presented Reclamation Center Supervisor Jackie Bob Wright with his 5-Year Service Award.



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