

November 10, 2025, Council Comments

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The City of Horseshoe Bay City Council meeting was held on November 10, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Mayor Jeff Jones called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance. Pastor Gene Glaeser of Lake Church gave the invocation.

Announcements and Staff Recognition

Mayor Jeff Jones, returning council member Frank Hosea, and new council member Ruben Fechner took the oath of office and were sworn in by Judge Kevin Madison.



Judge Kevin Madison swears in new Horseshoe Bay Mayor Jeff Jones.



City Manager Jeff Koska poses with new mayor Jeff Jones.



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City Manager Jeff Koska introduced newly hired Police Officer Jacob Nobles.

Presentations

Presentations were made by applicants for City Boards, Commissions, and Advisory Committees to express their interest in serving. Appointments will be made during the December 9 council meeting.

Finance Director Molly Jester presented the FY2025 fourth quarter financial report. The City has collected general revenues of more than \$14.9 million as of September 30 with expenditures of \$12.3 million. The Utility Fund has collected revenues of approximately \$18 million as of September 30, with expenditures of \$14 million. The Capital Fund has revenues of \$6.6 million, with expenditures of over \$18 million.

Public Hearing Items

The Council approved the final plat for Lake Church at Horseshoe Bay, which consists of two lots on the southeast side of FM 2147 in Zone 3 of Horseshoe Bay West, totaling 10.081 acres. Lot 2 of the proposed development includes a church building with a sanctuary, fellowship hall/lobby, classrooms, nurseries, offices, kitchen, and 186 parking spaces on 6.957 acres. Lot 1 includes water quality improvements for Phase 1 plus future additional parking for 83 vehicles to be constructed as part of Phase 2.

The Council approved the preliminary plat for the Stillwater subdivision in Silver Rock, which consists of 52.14 acres subdivided into 8 single family lots of approximately 5 acres each, 3 commercial lots, and 1800 linear feet of new private roadway located at the intersection of Hwy 71 and Silver Rock Loop in Zone 3 Horseshoe Bay West.

Business

The Council approved the appointment of Mayor Pro Tem, Larry Morgan, by Mayor Jeff Jones.

Council members Larry Morgan and Elaine Waddill were reappointed to the Public Funds for Public Purposes Subcommittee, which reviews each request for funding received by the City from outside entities. They will serve until November 2026.

The Council approved budget amendments for FY 2024-2025 to adjust for end-of-year cleanup entries to ensure that all revenue and expense budget amounts are higher than actual revenue and expenses incurred and to ensure a balanced budget is maintained.

The Council approved budget amendments to the Utility Fund, General Fund, Summit Rock PID Fund, Court Tech/Security Fund, Impact Fee Fund, and Capital Fund, which were necessary to adjust for FY25 project carry-forward expenses and increased/decreased costs are adjusted in line items in the approved FY26 budget.

The Council approved the TXDOT Local On-System Agreement (LOSA) authorization, a formal agreement between the City and the State outlining funding and procedural requirements for the City to complete right-of-way improvements on FM 2147 needed for the City Center entrance construction project.

The Council approved a request for a variance from the general design standards that limit cut and/or fill for two retention ponds and one street (Grassy Knoll) for the proposed Richter's Ranch subdivision, with the condition that the developer return with other variance requests during the platting process, if needed, for future cut and fill on individual lots. The applicant has chosen to pursue a "paper lots" approach, which defers responsibility for all grading and clearing to future property owners when they apply for individual building permits. This strategy would eliminate most of the immediate and excessive cut and fill operations. The building permits would instead be subject to the applicable development standards in place at the time a residential building permit is sought, including those related to grading requirements and tree preservation.

Monthly Reports

City Manager Jeff Koska reported that the City is expected to take control of City Center on December 20 and plans to host an Open House in February 2026. Koska shared positive feedback received about the City's 20th Anniversary event held on October 25. Mayor Jones expressed his appreciation to all City staff members for their hard work on the event.

Assistant City Manager Rick Williams shared that approximately 40 members of the community attended the Stargazing Event held at the Horseshoe Bay Nature Park on October 16 and emphasized the importance of maintaining the city's dark sky designation and reducing light pollution.

The Council approved the presence of Legislative Director/City Secretary Kerri Craig during the subsequent executive session.

The Council adjourned to executive session at 4:43 p.m. The executive session adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

No action was taken by Council elated to Executive Item A.

At the conclusion of executive session, the council cast votes for the election of Directors for the Burnet Central Appraisal District for the year 2026-2027.

The council authorized the City attorney to investigate filings of liens by Michael Coffey with Secretary of State, Llano County, municipal courts, and any other existing Texas court orders that are in existence.

The council approved an extension of 90 days for the completion of construction of 1902 Bay West Boulevard, acknowledged receipt of \$40,000 in fees owed to the City, and completed a deed transfer in lieu of foreclosure.

The council approved a separation agreement with Legislative Director/City Secretary Kerri Craig and authorized the City Manager to hire an interim City Secretary until the position is filled.

No Action was taken by Council related to Executive Item F.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. The next council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9 at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers. To learn more, visit www.horseshoe-bay-tx.gov/agendacenter. Please follow the City on Facebook (www.facebook.com/horseshoebaygov) and Instagram (www.instagram.com/horseshoebaygov).