

CITY OF HAMILTON
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MAYOR PATRICK WHEARLEY

November 10th 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

Open session by Mayor Patrick Whearley
Pledge Lead by Mayor Whearley
Invocation by Mayor Pro tem Alvin Howard

All members of council were present

Approval of October 13, 2025 minutes. Councilor Allen made the motion to approve the minutes with an amendment. Councilor Wall seconded. Unanimous vote.

Aaliyah Brawner was sworn by Mayor Whearley as the new Hamilton City Clerk

Department Reports are recapped as follows:

Fire Department Report:

N/A Fire Department was absent

Streets/Maintenance Department Report:

Terrence reported that Christmas preparations were underway. A new tree has been ordered for the lighting ceremony after the parade.

Water/Sewer Report:

Ben reported that his division dealt with 2 main breaks on the water side. One repair was completed with service levels returned to normal and that one surfaced just today. He presented council with an example of what roots can do to lines and made it available for all to see. Ben met with Champion wells who agreed the new well should be near a creek. Ben has hopes of placing the well near the fire department.

Police Department Report

Eric reported that his agency was prepared for the Christmas parade. He stated his desire to entertain some specialty crowd and road control barricades, signs and assistance especially if participation and involvement in the parade and other festivities grow in crowd size.

City Report

Rhett apprised of council of check theft. The check was stolen while in the custody of USPS. Hamilton's finances were not impacted directly however major work is underway as a reaction to the stolen checks. Three separate checking accounts were vulnerable.

The USPS had placed or changed mailboxes throughout the city. Some citizens had concerns but that the placement and approval of mailboxes was completely in the purview and oversight of the postmaster.

Three PZ appointments are up for 2026 and that one did not want to continue serving. Sallas, Brown and Knight were in expiring years. Knight did not seek reappointment.

The Hamilton portion of the housing study was presented to council. Rhett stated that Greg Panzer would present in December on the regional report.

Old Business:

- Rezone of parcels: 059A002, 059A004, 059A005, 059A006, 059A007, 059A008, 059A009 to Hamilton (C) Commercial from Hamilton (R-1) Low Density Residential- Councilor Allen made the motion to approve 4.73 acres along Mac Miller Lane. Councilor Fields seconded. Councilor Wall opposed. Vote 4-1.
- Annexation/Rezone of parcel 059075A to Hamilton (C) Commercial from Harris County Agriculture- Mayor Pro Tem Howard made the motion the approve the annexation/rezone. Councilor Allen seconded. Councilor Wall opposed. Vote 4-1.

New Business:

- None

FYI/Updates/Housekeeping:

- Veterans Day Tomorrow (November 11th)
- Thanksgiving November 27-28
- December 6th is our Christmas Parade (5PM)
- December Regular Council has a work session
 - Second Public Hearing for Budget FY 2026

Motion for adjournment was passed unanimously following a motion by Councilman Allen and a second by Councilman Fields.

Adjourned

Mayor Patrick Whrealey

Mayor Pro-Tem Alvin Howard

Councilor Greg Allen

Councilor Nancy Wall

City Clerk Aaliyah Brawner

Councilor William Fields