



CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN
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AGENDA – BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Highland Haven Community Center

1. Open Meeting and Establish Quorum/Roll Call– Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Nuss	☐ Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Don Hagans	☐ Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Bruce Robertson	☐ Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Lynn Smith	☐ Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Terry Smith	☐ Present	☐ Absent

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Recognize Visitors

4. Announcements, Proclamations or Presentations

5. Public Comment

(At this time, any person with business before the BOA not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Board. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. No discussion or deliberation can occur. Comments regarding specific agenda items should occur when the item is called.)

ACTION ITEMS

6. Consider Consent items:

The items listed are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Board of Aldermen and will be approved by one motion, there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda prior to a motion and vote. The item will be considered in its normal sequence of the regular agenda.

A. Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2025

B. February 2025 Financials

C. February 2025 Utility Report

7. Discussion and/or Possible Action – Resolution #366 – Opposition to Senate Bill 19

8. Discussion and/or Possible Action - Resolution #367 – Appoint P&Z Member

9. Convene into Executive Session as per Texas Govt. Code §551.072 to discuss Real Property and Texas Govt. Code §551.074 to discuss personnel.

A. Closed Session:

i. Discuss real property matters.

B. Open Session: Reconvene into Open Session.

10. Discussion and/or Possible Action on Executive Session matters.

A. Real Property matters.

11. Discussion and/or Possible Action – Town Bulletin Board

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

12. Open Meetings Act

A. Rules for Notice

B. Quorum Present

C. Social Events

13. Discussion – Budget FY 2026
14. Review Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendations to BOA
 - A. Commercial Zoning Ordinance
15. Review assignments for the Planning and Zoning Commission
 - A. Comprehensive Plan Update
 - B. Review of current Planning and Zoning assignments
 - C. The next P&Z meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm.
16. Legislative Updates
 - A. City Administrator's Update
 - B. Legislative Bill Update
17. GIS Update
18. Traffic Control –
19. Drainage Issues –
20. Review Water System –
 - A. Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District
 - i. Pumping Permit
 - ii. Drought Status – Stage 4
 - iii. 15 % Mandatory Water Restrictions
 - B. Maintenance and Operations Issues
21. Review Solid Waste Services –
22. Mayor's Report
23. Aldermen Comments

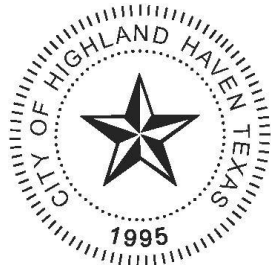
Next regular meeting – Tuesday, April 1, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Highland Haven Community Center.

Adjournment.

Posted March 14, 2025

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

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Sarah Collard

Sarah Collard, City Secretary

THIS MEETING SHALL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.001 ET SEQ. AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING THE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON ANY OF THE ABOVE POSTED AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECTIONS 551.071 (Advice of Counsel), 551.072 (Real Property), 551.073 (Gifts or Donations), 551.074 (Personnel), 551.076 (Security), 551.087 (Economic Development) and/or 418.183 (Homeland Security).



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MINUTES – BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 4, 2025

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Highland Haven Community Center

1. Open Meeting and Establish Quorum/Roll Call– Mayor Kelley at 7:01 PM

Mayor Pro Tem Terry Nuss	✓Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Don Hagans	✓Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Bruce Robertson	✓Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Lynn Smith	✓Present	☐ Absent
Aldersperson Terry Smith	✓Present	☐ Absent

2. Pledge of Allegiance - Led by Mayor Kelley

3. Recognize Visitors – Visitors present were Rick Hieb, Tammie Hieb, Keith Neffendorf, Judy Kelley, John Novak, Vance Collard, and Scott Collard

4. Announcements, Proclamations or Presentations

a. Oath of Office for Sarah Collard, City Secretary - ~~Judge Don Adams~~ Mayor Olan Kelley

5. Public Comment

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There were no public comments.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Consider Consent items:

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a. Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2025

b. Sales Tax Report – February 2025

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items made by Terry Smith, seconded by Lynn Smith.

Vote 5-0

7. Presentation of Report of Examination for Year Ended September 30, 2024 – Neffendorf & Blocker, P.C

Keith Neffendorf presented the Report of Examination for the City for Year Ended September 30, 2024.

8. Discussion and/or Possible Action – Audit Report of Examination for Year Ended September 30, 2024

Motion to accept Audit Report for Year ended September 30, 2024 made by Terry Nuss, seconded by Lynn Smith.

Vote 5-0

9. Discussion and/or Possible Action - Resolution #365 – Appoint P&Z Member effective May 8, 2025

Motion to Approve Resolution #365 appointing John Novak to the Planning & Zoning Commission made by Bruce Robertson, seconded by Terry Nuss.

Vote 5-0

10. Discussion and/or Possible Action – Order of Cancellation for May 3, 2025, General Election.

**Motion to cancel the May 3, 2025 General Election made by Lynn Smith, seconded by Terry Nuss.
Vote 5-0**

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

11. Discussion – Budget FY 2026

a. Budget Calendar

12. Review Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendations to BOA

a. Commercial Zoning Ordinance

13. Review assignments for the Planning and Zoning Commission

a. Comprehensive Plan Update

b. Review of current Planning and Zoning assignments

c. The next P&Z meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

14. Legislative Updates

a. City Administrator's Update

b. Legislative Bill Update

15. Traffic Control

16. Drainage Issues

17. Review Water System

a. Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District

i. Pumping Permit

ii. Drought Status – Stage 4

iii. 15 % Mandatory Water Restrictions

b. Maintenance and Operations Issues

i. Customer Shut-off Valves Information Document

18. Review Solid Waste Services

19. Mayor's Report

20. Aldermen Comments

Next regular meeting – Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Highland Haven Community Center.

Motion to adjourn made by Don Hagans, seconded by Terry Nuss.

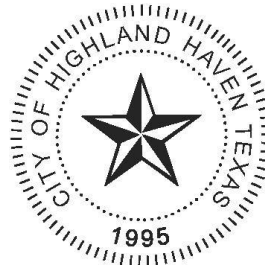
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Adjournment.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Olan Kelley, Mayor

Sarah Collard, City Secretary



General Fund
Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2024_2025 - FY25 P&L
October 2024 - September 2025

	Total		
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Income			
8000 General Fund Revenue			
8100 Taxes			
8110 Property Taxes Collected	297,800.84	303,136.00	322,136.00
8120 Sales and Use Tax	15,808.64	12,500.00	29,500.00
Total 8100 Taxes	\$ 313,609.48	\$ 315,636.00	\$ 351,636.00
8200 Franchise Fees			
8210 Cable TV	3,711.52	2,500.00	5,000.00
8220 Electrical	13,208.39	12,000.00	24,000.00
8230 Telephone	148.14	100.00	200.00
8240 Solid Waste (deleted)		0.00	0.00
Total 8200 Franchise Fees	\$ 17,068.05	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 29,200.00
8300 Building Permits / Inspections			
8310 Building Permits	5,450.00	10,420.00	25,000.00
8330 Inspections	3,445.00	6,250.00	15,000.00
8340 Forfeited Compliance Deposit	1,200.00		
Total 8300 Building Permits / Inspections	\$ 10,095.00	\$ 16,670.00	\$ 40,000.00
8400 Other Income			
8410 ROW - License Agreement	500.00	500.00	500.00
8420 Miscellaneous Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
8430 NSF Check Charge		0.00	0.00
Total 8400 Other Income	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
8500 Charges for Services			
8510 Lot Mowing Program Fees	360.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
8520 Copies, FAX & Phone Usage		0.00	25.00
8530 Newsletter Copy Fee	150.98	250.00	250.00
8540 Newsletter Postage Fee	313.32	350.00	350.00
8550 Re-Plat & Variances		500.00	1,200.00
Total 8500 Charges for Services	\$ 824.30	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 3,825.00
8600 Public Safety			
8610 Child Safety Fund	373.83	350.00	700.00
8620 OPIOD Abatement Fund		0.00	50.00
Total 8600 Public Safety	\$ 373.83	\$ 350.00	\$ 750.00
8800 Donations & Contributions			
8805 Sale of Assets (deleted)		0.00	0.00
Total 8800 Donations & Contributions	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
8900 Investment Income			
8910 Interest Income	10,883.54	8,335.00	20,000.00
Total 8900 Investment Income	\$ 10,883.54	\$ 8,335.00	\$ 20,000.00
Total 8000 General Fund Revenue	\$ 353,354.20	\$ 358,191.00	\$ 445,911.00
Total Income	\$ 353,354.20	\$ 358,191.00	\$ 445,911.00
Gross Profit	\$ 353,354.20	\$ 358,191.00	\$ 445,911.00
Expenses			
60000 EXPENSES - GENERAL FUND			
61100 Personnel Services			
61101 Aministrative Services	35,793.75	35,799.00	85,905.00
61102 Secretary Salary	24,570.85	24,570.00	58,970.00
61103 Accounting / Utility Coord.	20,484.60	20,485.00	49,163.00

61104 Building Permit Officer	6,520.40	6,520.00	15,649.00
61105 Temporary Employee		1,250.00	3,000.00
61106 City Administrator (deleted)		0.00	0.00
61108 Stipend	9,000.00	9,000.00	21,600.00
61110 Payroll Taxes / FICA	9,373.31	7,470.00	17,923.00
61111 Texas Workforce Commission	2.16	295.00	700.00
61112 Direct Deposit Fees	51.18	105.00	250.00
61113 Employee Health Insurance (deleted)		0.00	0.00
61114 Texas Municipal Retirement Cont.	6,172.65	10,295.00	24,712.00
Total 61100 Personnel Services	\$ 111,968.90	\$ 115,789.00	\$ 277,872.00
61200 Administrative & Office			
61201 Miscellaneous Office Supplies	614.28	1,147.00	2,750.00
61202 Equipment replacement		3,125.00	7,500.00
61203 Newsletter Copy Charge	25.92	125.00	300.00
61204 Newsletter Postage	219.00	283.00	675.00
61205 Printing, Binding, Reproduction		441.00	1,050.00
61206 Software	1,971.94	2,647.00	6,350.00
61207 Postage	72.22	360.00	850.00
61208 Public Notice Publication	319.00	875.00	2,100.00
61209 Variances & Re-plats		463.00	1,100.00
61210 Travel Reimbursement		235.00	550.00
61211 Schools & Training	2,532.42	2,919.00	7,000.00
61212 Recognition & Awards		110.00	250.00
61213 Food & Beverage		110.00	250.00
61214 - Bank Fees	68.22	66.00	150.00
Total 61200 Administrative & Office	\$ 5,823.00	\$ 12,906.00	\$ 30,875.00
61300 Street Maintenance & Repair			
61301 Contract Repair		2,294.00	5,500.00
61302 Material & Supplies	636.30	2,713.00	6,500.00
Total 61300 Street Maintenance & Repair	\$ 636.30	\$ 5,007.00	\$ 12,000.00
61400 Maintenance & Repair			
61401 Equipment Repair & Maintenance		235.00	550.00
61402 Buildings / Infrastructure		2,963.00	7,100.00
Total 61400 Maintenance & Repair	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,198.00	\$ 7,650.00
61500 Professional Services			
61501 Judge Expenses	600.00	500.00	1,200.00
61502 Accountants Fees-Audit	2,037.46	3,331.00	8,000.00
61503 Attorneys Fees	1,495.00	2,294.00	5,500.00
61504 Ordinance Codification	2,490.00	1,750.00	4,200.00
61505 Burnet County Tax Appraisal Fee	1,278.84	2,088.00	5,000.00
61506 I / T Support	600.00	1,875.00	4,500.00
61507 Lobbying Expense		0.00	0.00
61508 Burnet Co Election Fee		1,985.00	4,750.00
61509 Consultant Fees		875.00	2,100.00
61510 Website Hosting		1,044.00	2,500.00
61511 Recruitment	43.75	441.00	1,050.00
61512 Interactive Web Map Hosting		2,000.00	4,800.00
61520 Fund Accounting Software (deleted)		0.00	0.00
Total 61500 Professional Services	\$ 8,545.05	\$ 18,183.00	\$ 43,600.00
61600 Utilities			
61601 Electric	440.40	463.00	1,100.00
61602 Fax (deleted)		0.00	0.00
61603 Internet Service (deleted)		0.00	0.00
61604 Telephone (deleted)		0.00	0.00
61605 Communications	2,663.87	2,735.00	6,550.00

Total 61600 Utilities	\$	3,104.27	\$	3,198.00	\$	7,650.00
61700 Services & Charges						
61701 Janitorial Service				272.00		650.00
61702 Inspection Fees		2,595.00		2,919.00		7,000.00
61705 Contract Mowing		25.00		441.00		1,050.00
61706 Landscaping				875.00		2,100.00
61708 Buoy Maintenance				3,331.00		8,000.00
61709 Lot Mowing Program Expense		270.00		838.00		2,000.00
61710 Insurance		6,166.16		6,100.00		6,100.00
61711 Notary Public Cert.		137.53		375.00		375.00
61712 Treasurers Bond				125.00		300.00
Total 61700 Services & Charges	\$	9,193.69	\$	15,276.00	\$	27,575.00
61800 Membership Fees / Dues						
61801 Capcog		50.00		50.00		50.00
61802 Flood Plain Coalition (deleted)				0.00		0.00
61803 Texas Municipal League		651.00		675.00		675.00
61804 CAMPO				350.00		350.00
61805 Texas Municipal Clerks Assoc		175.00		175.00		175.00
Total 61800 Membership Fees / Dues	\$	876.00	\$	1,250.00	\$	1,250.00
61900 Public Safety						
61901 Security Camera		530.00		1,463.00		3,500.00
61902 Granite Shoals VFD				45,089.00		90,175.00
61903 Marble Falls EMS		6,095.75		6,097.00		14,630.00
61904 Emergency Response Supplies				213.00		500.00
61905 Emergency Management Program				2,088.00		5,000.00
Total 61900 Public Safety	\$	6,625.75	\$	54,950.00	\$	113,805.00
62900 Capital Improvement						
62902 3cGeo Mapping				2,919.00		7,000.00
62903 Flock Safety Camera				1,669.00		4,000.00
62904 Radar Sign		3,210.00		5,000.00		12,000.00
Total 62900 Capital Improvement	\$	3,210.00	\$	9,588.00	\$	23,000.00
Total 60000 EXPENSES - GENERAL FUND	\$	149,982.96	\$	239,345.00	\$	545,277.00
66000 Payroll Expenses		0.00				
Total Expenses	\$	149,982.96	\$	239,345.00	\$	545,277.00
Net Operating Income	\$	203,371.24	\$	118,846.00	-\$	99,366.00
Other Income						
76000 Interfund Transfers						
76010 Transfers In						
76010.2 Transfer In - HHWS Fund				0.00		66,979.00
76010.3 Transfer In - HHSW Fund				0.00		35,000.00
Total 76010 Transfers In	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	101,979.00
Total 76000 Interfund Transfers	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	101,979.00
Total Other Income	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	101,979.00
Other Expenses						
76001 Interfund Transfers.						
76020.4 Transfer Out - General Fund CIP (deleted)				0.00		0.00
Total 76001 Interfund Transfers.	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Total Other Expenses	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Net Other Income	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	101,979.00
Net Income	\$	203,371.24	\$	118,846.00	\$	2,613.00

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Solid Waste
Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2024_2025 - FY25 P&L
October 2024 - September 2025

	Total		
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Income			
9500 Solid Waste Revenue			
9600 Charges For Services			
9610 SW Residential Collection	43,378.30	54,713.00	131,300.00
Total 9600 Charges For Services	\$ 43,378.30	\$ 54,713.00	\$ 131,300.00
9650 Franchise Fees			
9651 Waste Services Franchise Fee	2,121.42	2,169.00	5,200.00
Total 9650 Franchise Fees	\$ 2,121.42	\$ 2,169.00	\$ 5,200.00
9800 Investment Income			
9801 Interest Income	34.26	22.00	50.00
Total 9800 Investment Income	\$ 34.26	\$ 22.00	\$ 50.00
Total 9500 Solid Waste Revenue	\$ 45,533.98	\$ 56,904.00	\$ 136,550.00
Total Income	\$ 45,533.98	\$ 56,904.00	\$ 136,550.00
Expenses			
63000 EXPENSES - SOLID WASTE FUND			
63500 Professional Services			
63513 Waste Contractor Costs	42,428.53	43,338.00	104,000.00
63514 Household Haz Waste Program		1,000.00	2,000.00
63515 Haz Waste Spill Response Fund		838.00	2,000.00
63517 Document Shredding		125.00	750.00
Total 63500 Professional Services	\$ 42,428.53	\$ 45,301.00	\$ 108,750.00
Total 63000 EXPENSES - SOLID WASTE FUND	\$ 42,428.53	\$ 45,301.00	\$ 108,750.00
Total Expenses	\$ 42,428.53	\$ 45,301.00	\$ 108,750.00
Net Operating Income	\$ 3,105.45	\$ 11,603.00	\$ 27,800.00
Other Expenses			
76001 Interfund Transfers			
76020 Transfers Out			
76020.1 Transfer Out to General Fund		0.00	35,000.00
Total 76020 Transfers Out	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 35,000.00
Total 76001 Interfund Transfers	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 35,000.00
Total Other Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 35,000.00
Net Other Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	-\$ 35,000.00
Net Income	\$ 3,105.45	\$ 11,603.00	-\$ 7,200.00

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Water Fund
Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2024_2025 - FY25 P&L
October 2024 - February 2025

	YTD Actual		YTD Budget		Annual Budget	
Income						
9000 HHWater System Revenue						
9200 Charges for Services						
9210 Water Sales	132,523.67		123,000.00		355,000.00	
9211 WS Residential Collection (deleted)			0.00		0.00	
Total 9210 Water Sales	\$ 132,523.67	\$	123,000.00	\$	355,000.00	
9220 Tap Fees			3,750.00		9,000.00	
Total 9200 Charges for Services	\$ 132,523.67	\$	126,750.00	\$	364,000.00	
9230 HHWS Miscellaneous Income						
9231 Miscellaneous Income	173.85		85.00		200.00	
Total 9230 HHWS Miscellaneous Income	\$ 173.85	\$	85.00	\$	200.00	
9250 Investment Income						
9251 Interest Income	775.11		1,250.00		3,000.00	
Total 9250 Investment Income	\$ 775.11	\$	1,250.00	\$	3,000.00	
9900 Grant Funding						
9910 CLREF Funding			0.00		0.00	
Total 9900 Grant Funding	\$ 0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	
Total 9000 HHWater System Revenue	\$ 133,472.63	\$	128,085.00	\$	367,200.00	
Sales	8,000.00					
Total Income	\$ 141,472.63	\$	128,085.00	\$	367,200.00	
Expenses						
62000 EXPENSES-WATER SYSTEM FUND						
62150 2016 Bond Series Expenses						
62151 2016 Series Bond Interest	3,117.67		3,135.00		6,270.00	
62152 2016 Bond Series Principal			0.00		105,000.00	
Total 62150 2016 Bond Series Expenses	\$ 3,117.67	\$	3,135.00	\$	111,270.00	
62200 Administrative / Office						
62201 Office Supplies	193.49		1,085.00		2,600.00	
62206 Software	79.96		1,045.00		2,500.00	
62207 Postage	1,165.80		1,750.00		4,200.00	
62208 Public Notice Publication	208.00		85.00		200.00	
62210 Travel Reimbursement			85.00		200.00	
62211 Schools & Training			210.00		500.00	
62212 Bank Fees			33.00		75.00	
62213 Food & Beverage			210.00		500.00	
Total 62200 Administrative / Office	\$ 1,647.25	\$	4,503.00	\$	10,775.00	
62350 Chemicals						
62351 Misc. Chemicals	870.28		1,585.00		3,800.00	
Total 62350 Chemicals	\$ 870.28	\$	1,585.00	\$	3,800.00	
62400 Maintenance & Repairs						
62402 Repairs & Service Work	4,752.50		10,420.00		25,000.00	
62403 Buildings / Infrastructure	2,099.00		2,085.00		5,000.00	
62405 Material-pipe,pumps,meters	13,543.92		6,670.00		16,000.00	
62407 Generator Maint and Repairs	2,563.13		3,460.00		8,300.00	
Total 62400 Maintenance & Repairs	\$ 22,958.55	\$	22,635.00	\$	54,300.00	
62500 Professional Services						
62502 Accounting/Audit Fees	2,037.45		3,335.00		8,000.00	
62503 Attorneys Fees			460.00		1,100.00	

62511 Engineering Fees			460.00		1,100.00
62512 Lab Fees	78.00		1,795.00		4,300.00
62513 Contract Operator	15,000.00		33,335.00		80,000.00
62520 Fund Accounting Software (deleted)			0.00		0.00
Total 62500 Professional Services	\$ 17,115.45	\$ 39,385.00	\$ 94,500.00		
62600 Utilities					
62601 Electric	2,635.15		3,250.00		7,800.00
62604 Telephone			420.00		1,000.00
62605 Answering Service (deleted)			0.00		0.00
Total 62600 Utilities	\$ 2,635.15	\$ 3,670.00	\$ 8,800.00		
62700 Services & Charges					
62705 Contract Mowing Expense	180.00		0.00		1,600.00
62712 Tap Installation			1,250.00		3,000.00
62713 Storage Facilities	4,570.00		5,300.00		5,300.00
62714 Johnston East Well Water Usage	21.69		250.00		500.00
62715 TCEQ	999.60		1,050.00		1,050.00
Total 62700 Services & Charges	\$ 5,771.29	\$ 7,850.00	\$ 11,450.00		
62800 Membership Fees/Dues					
62806 TRWA Membership			550.00		550.00
62807 AWWA Membership			400.00		400.00
Total 62800 Membership Fees/Dues	\$ 0.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00		
62900 Capital Projects					
62901 Water Tank Project	78,153.70				
Total 62900 Capital Projects	\$ 78,153.70	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00		
Total 62000 EXPENSES-WATER SYSTEM FUND	\$ 132,269.34	\$ 83,713.00	\$ 295,845.00		
Total Expenses	\$ 132,269.34	\$ 83,713.00	\$ 295,845.00		
Net Operating Income	\$ 9,203.29	\$ 44,372.00	\$ 71,355.00		
Other Expenses					
76001 Interfund Transfers					
76020 Transfers Out					
76020.1 Transfer Out to General Fund			0.00		66,979.00
Total 76020 Transfers Out	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 66,979.00		
Total 76001 Interfund Transfers	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 66,979.00		
Total Other Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 66,979.00		
Net Other Income	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	-\$ 66,979.00		
Net Income	\$ 9,203.29	\$ 44,372.00	\$ 4,376.00		

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City of Highland Haven Utility Report FY 25

Collections:

Total Utility System	# of CC & eCheck	Percent of Payments	CC & eCheck Amt	# of ACH	Percent of Payments	ACH AMT	# of Cash / Check	Percent of Payments	Cash/Ck Amt	# of Payments	Amount Collected
October-24	110	29%	\$ 9,575	135	35%	\$ 10,673	138	36%	\$ 17,515	383	\$ 37,763
November-24	113	32%	\$ 9,684	138	39%	\$ 11,196	107	30%	\$ 9,642	358	\$ 30,522
December-24	111	29%	\$ 8,861	137	35%	\$ 10,222	140	36%	\$ 15,052	388	\$ 34,135
January-25	119	29%	\$ 9,188	138	34%	\$ 10,051	149	37%	\$ 20,385	406	\$ 39,624
February-25	133	35%	\$ 13,059	115	30%	\$ 10,355	131	35%	\$ 14,554	379	\$ 37,968
FY 25 YTD	586	31%	50,367	663	35%	52,497	665	35%	\$ 77,148	1,914	180,012

Billing:

Total Utility System	# of Water Customers	# of Trash Customers	Total # Billed	# of Electronic Billing	Percent of Electronic Billing	# of Gallons Billed	Water Billed	Trash Billed	Total Billing
October-24	410	356	442	92	21%	1,876,000	\$ 24,793	\$ 10,727	\$ 35,520
November-24	410	356	442	87	20%	1,500,100	\$ 22,489	\$ 10,750	\$ 33,239
December-24	410	356	442	94	21%	1,349,700	\$ 21,748	\$ 10,750	\$ 32,498
January-25	410	357	442	94	21%	1,222,200	\$ 29,393	\$ 11,323	\$ 40,715
February-25	409	357	441	96	22%	979,800	\$ 29,225	\$ 11,295	\$ 40,520
FY 25 YTD	2,049	1,782	2,209	463	21%	6,927,800	\$ 127,647	\$ 54,845	182,493

TCEQ Permit: 665 water taps

Highland Haven	# of Water Customers	# of Trash Customers	Total # Billed	# of Gallons Billed	Water Billed	Trash Billed	Total Billing
October-24	314	278	335	1,365,000	\$ 17,663	\$ 8,364	\$ 26,027
November-24	314	278	335	1,054,800	\$ 15,729	\$ 8,387	\$ 24,116
December-24	314	278	335	862,000	\$ 14,580	\$ 8,387	\$ 22,967
January-25	314	279	335	759,300	\$ 20,455	\$ 8,840	\$ 29,295
February-25	313	279	334	736,300	\$ 20,428	\$ 8,813	\$ 29,241
FY 25 YTD	1,569	1,392	1,674	4,777,400	\$ 88,854	\$ 42,791	\$ 131,646

Shady Acres Rte 3	# of Water Customers	# of Trash Customers	Total # Billed	# of Gallons Billed	Water Billed	Trash Billed	Total Billing
October-24	69	60	78	224,600	\$ 3,655	\$ 1,761	\$ 5,416
November-24	69	60	78	161,900	\$ 3,277	\$ 1,761	\$ 5,038
December-24	69	60	78	153,200	\$ 3,205	\$ 1,761	\$ 4,965
January-25	69	60	78	137,800	\$ 4,689	\$ 1,850	\$ 6,539
February-25	69	60	78	133,200	\$ 4,667	\$ 1,850	\$ 6,517
FY 25 YTD	345	300	390	810,700	\$ 19,493	\$ 8,982	\$ 28,475

Nobles Rte 2	# of Water Customers	# of Trash Customers	Total # Billed	# of Gallons Billed	Water Billed	Trash Billed	Total Billing
October-24	26	18	28	73,100	\$ 1,342	\$ 602	\$ 1,944
November-24	26	18	28	64,900	\$ 1,298	\$ 602	\$ 1,900
December-24	26	18	28	68,900	\$ 1,308	\$ 602	\$ 1,910
January-25	26	18	28	60,700	\$ 1,854	\$ 633	\$ 2,487
February-25	26	18	28	62,300	\$ 1,880	\$ 633	\$ 2,513
FY 25 YTD	130	90	140	329,900	\$ 7,682	\$ 3,072	\$ 10,754

Camp Champions Rte 4	# of Water Customers	# of Trash Customers	Total # Billed	# of Gallons Billed	Water Billed	Trash Billed	Total Billing
October-24	1	0	1	213,300	\$ 2,133	\$ -	\$ 2,133
November-24	1	0	1	218,500	\$ 2,185	\$ -	\$ 2,185
December-24	1	0	1	265,600	\$ 2,656	\$ -	\$ 2,656
January-25	1	0	1	264,400	\$ 2,394	\$ -	\$ 2,394
February-25	1	0	1	48,000	\$ 2,250	\$ -	\$ 2,250
FY 25 YTD	5	0	5	1,009,800	\$ 11,618	\$ -	\$ 11,618

Pumping:

Total Utility System	# of Gallons Billed	Gallons Pumped	# of Gallons Loss	Percent of Water Loss	Number of Acre Feet	Percent of CTGCD Permit	FY 23/24	% of Change
October-24	1,876,000	2,100,600	224,600	10.69%	6.45	8.74%	1,640,100	28.08%
November-24	1,500,100	1,614,300	114,200	7.07%	4.95	6.71%	1,301,200	24.06%
December-24	1,349,700	1,423,000	73,300	5.15%	4.37	5.92%	1,143,600	24.43%
January-25	1,222,200	1,364,000	141,800	10.40%	4.19	5.67%	1,070,100	27.46%
February-25	979,800	1,179,300	199,500	16.92%	3.62	4.90%	1,212,000	-2.70%
FY 25 YTD	6,927,800	7,681,200	753,400	9.81%	23.57	31.94%	18,502,500	-58.49%

Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Permit: 82 Acre Feet = 26,719,782 gallons./2024 10% Mandatory Reduction - 73.8 Acre Feet = 24,047,804 (One acre-foot equals 325,851 gallons.)

Per CTGWCD - May 2024 Stage 3 Drought Status mandatory 10% decrease from the total annual permitted volume.

With this 10% reduction, we have 73.8 Acre feet = 24,047,804 gallons

*Gallons pumped via daily log

RESOLUTION #366

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN, TEXAS, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 19 AND REAFFIRMING THE IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL CONTROL AND COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE.

WHEREAS,

- The City of Highland Haven is a General Law Type A municipality, duly established under the laws of the State of Texas, and governed by locally elected officials who best understand the unique needs of the community; and
- The fundamental principle of governance is that the best government is closest to the people it serves, ensuring that decisions are made with direct accountability to residents; and
- Senate Bill 19 seeks to impose state-mandated restrictions that override local authority and limit the ability of the City of Highland Haven to govern effectively in the best interests of its residents; and
- The residents of Highland Haven have entrusted their local elected officials to enact policies that reflect community priorities, and any attempt to undermine this local authority contradicts the principles of representative democracy; and
- Local control is essential for addressing municipal concerns, including community advocacy, ensuring that small cities have access to legal, legislative, and operational resources that they otherwise could not afford. The services provided by organizations such as the Texas Municipal League (TML) are critical for small cities to navigate complex state laws, legislative changes, and municipal governance. State lawmakers characterize this as ‘taxpayer-funded lobbying,’ yet they themselves use taxpayer dollars for advocacy efforts in Washington, D.C., revealing a clear double standard. The elimination of municipal advocacy groups serves only to insulate state legislators from local voices and reduces transparency in the legislative process;
- Without these resources provided by the Texas Municipal League (TML), Highland Haven would be forced to shoulder costs 20 to 30 times higher to obtain the same level of expertise, creating an unfunded state mandate that places an undue financial burden on the City’s small budget and limits our ability to effectively govern and serve our residents; and
- The ability of municipal governments to manage their own affairs should not be preempted by the state without compelling justification and direct engagement with affected communities;
- Despite outreach efforts from the City of Highland Haven, we have not received direct engagement from the state elected officials representing our area regarding this bill, further demonstrating the disconnect between statewide policymaking and local governance; and
- This resolution is aimed at Senate Bill 19; however, it also reflects our strong opposition to other bills that undermine a city's ability to advocate for itself. Our locally elected representatives firmly oppose these measures, including H.B. 309 (Leo Wilson), H.B. 571 (Cain), H.B. 671 (Shaheen),

H.B. 755 (Spiller), H.B. 1189 (Troxclair), H.B. 1294 (Patterson), H.B. 3257 (Olcott), H.B. 3615 (Schatzline), S.B. 239 (Middleton), S.B. 345 (Eckhardt), S.B. 1420 (Nichols), and S.B. 1695 (Hall).

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN, TEXAS:

1. **Opposition to Senate Bill 19:** The City of Highland Haven strongly opposes Senate Bill 19 and any like-minded bills as an infringement upon the principles of local control and self-governance.
2. **Affirmation of Local Authority:** The Board of Aldermen reaffirms that local officials are best positioned to make policy decisions that reflect the needs and desires of the community.
3. **Call to Action:** The City urges members of the Texas Legislature to reject legislation that weakens municipal authority and instead support policies that empower local communities.
4. **Distribution of Resolution:** A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the State Senator for District 24, the State Representative for District 19, the Governor of Texas, any relevant State Committee Chairs, and the Texas Municipal League to express the City's position.
5. **PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN, TEXAS ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.**

Olan Kelley, Mayor

Attest:

Sarah Collard, City Secretary



RESOLUTION #367

To appoint one qualified resident of the City of Highland Haven, Texas to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Appointees will serve a term equal to the term of the Aldermen making the appointment.

WHEREAS, Ordinance #053, Planning & Zoning Commission, established a five (5) member Planning & Zoning Commission and provides for each Alderperson to appoint a member to the Commission. The Commission member is to serve a term identical to the Alderperson who appoints the member, and

WHEREAS, the City has a member of the Board of Aldermen who will appoint one member to the Commission for a two-year period, and

WHEREAS, the Aldermen involved does hereby appoint the following citizen to the commission for the term specified:

ALDERPERSON	COMMISSION MEMBER	TERM
Lynn Smith	Linda Ray	2026

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Highland Haven, Texas, approve the above appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission for the term stated above.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN, TEXAS ON THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Olan Kelley, Mayor

Attest:

Sarah Collard, City Secretary



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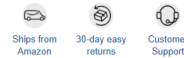
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Material

Color

Cork

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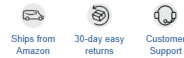
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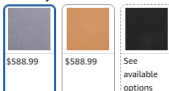
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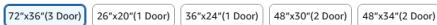
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Message Center Sign with Posts - Green



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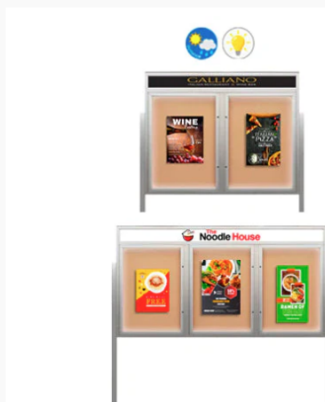


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Post: Included (Set of 2)
Number of Doors: 2 DOORS
Orientation: Landscape
Corner Style: Mitered (Classic Style)
Frame Finish: Satin Silver
Forbo Color: Tan
LED Lighting: Inside Perimeter (All 4 Sides 84x48)
Window: Break Resistant Acrylic (Standard)
Plastic Push Pins: None
Shipping Method: FREE Ground Freight
Header Style: Standard Header (No Charge)
: City of Highland Haven

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Your selections

Overall Size: 60" Wide x 40" High
Orientation: Landscape
Door Style: Hinged with 2-DOORS (Swing-Open)
Post: 2 Posts Included
Surface Mount Boots: None
Finish: Woodland Green
Backing Board Material: Standard Cork
Vinyl Over Cork Color: No Vinyl
LED Lighting: None - NO LIGHTS

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Choose your size, color, and options when applicable...

Your selections

Overall Size: 72" Wide x 48" High
Number of Doors: 3 DOORS
Orientation: Landscape
Corner Style: Mitered (Classic Style)
Post: Included (Set of 2)
Frame Finish: Satin Silver
Vinyl Color: No Vinyl
Window: Break Resistant Acrylic (Standard)
Plastic Push Pins: None
Shipping Method: FREE Ground Freight

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Texas Open Meetings Act: Clarifications

1

What is a meeting?

- Any gathering of a quorum (3) members of a governmental body in which they discuss public business or public policy with the body's supervision or control.
- Any gathering of a quorum of the BOA to gather information or fact finding sessions called by the governmental body that relates to the body's public business.
- Does NOT apply to a purely social event unrelated to the governmental body's public business.

2

When is it NOT a meeting?

- Does NOT apply to a ***purely social event*** unrelated to the governmental body's public business.
- Does NOT apply to "a regional, state, or national convention or workshop, ceremonial event, or press conference, if formal action is not taken and any discussion of public business is incidental to the social function, convention, workshop, ceremonial event, or press conference." ([Texas Gov't Code § 551.001\(4\)\(B\)\(iv\)](#)).

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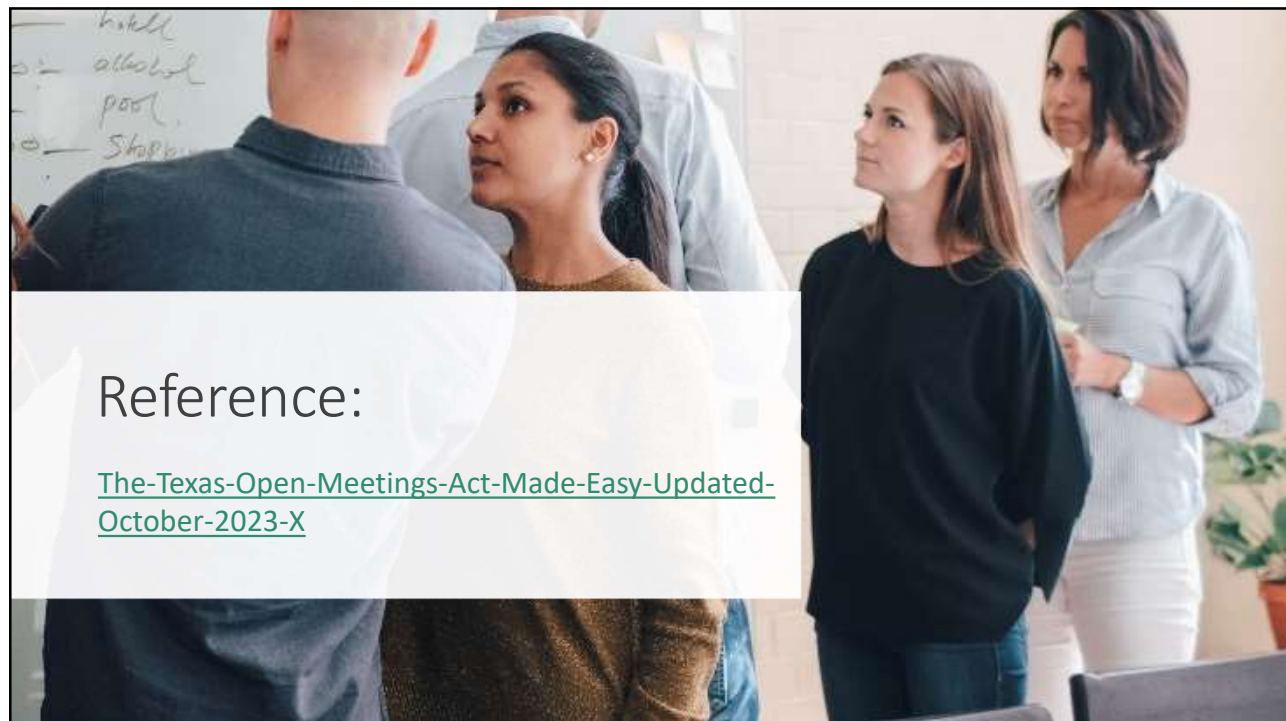


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Awareness Matters

- Training sessions count as a meeting if a quorum is present; must have 72 hours notice.
- No more than 2 BOA members traveling to a local meeting in the same vehicle without a posted notice.
- No matter how tempting, City Business must only be discussed in Open Meetings.
- “Appearance” of non-compliance
- Prompt communication is key.

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City of Highland Haven

Community Survey Results for Comprehensive Plan

Forward

The City of Highland Haven is undertaking an update to its **Comprehensive Plan**, a guiding document that outlines the community's vision, goals, and priorities for the coming years. The last update to the plan was **over 10 years ago**, and as our community continues to evolve, it is crucial to reassess our needs and ensure that city policies align with residents' expectations.

Why Does Highland Haven Need a Comprehensive Plan?

Comprehensive Plans are not just a local initiative—they are **required by Texas state law** for municipalities. Under **Chapter 213 of the Texas Local Government Code**, cities are authorized to adopt comprehensive plans to guide their growth and development. While the law does not specify a strict timeline for updates, best practices recommend that cities **review and revise their plans every 5 to 10 years** to ensure they remain relevant to current conditions and community needs. The **Comprehensive Plan serves as a policy framework** for land use, infrastructure, public services, and long-term city planning. Having an up-to-date plan also helps cities secure state and federal funding for infrastructure and other community projects.

To aid in this effort, the City conducted a **Community Survey** to gather input directly from residents. The survey was distributed to 353 households via email and mail, resulting in **105 responses**—a participation rate of approximately **30%**. Residents were encouraged to provide feedback on a wide range of topics, including **public safety, infrastructure, water resources, general community items like parks, commercial development, and overall community priorities**.

Key Themes of the Survey Results

Several **common themes** emerged from the survey responses:

- **Preservation of Community Character** – Residents highly value Highland Haven's quiet, residential nature and largely oppose high-density development, short-term rentals, and large-scale commercial expansion.
- **Water and Infrastructure Concerns** – Water conservation, road conditions, and the potential for a **sewer system** were recurring concerns. Many residents expressed interest in improving infrastructure while balancing growth.
- **Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness** – Issues such as **traffic control, emergency evacuation routes, and law enforcement presence** were frequently mentioned.
- **Parks and Recreation** – While parks are important to residents, it is important to note that the **City of Highland Haven does not own or maintain any parks**—they are managed by

the **Highland Haven Property Owners Association (POA)**. The City will pass along feedback from this survey to the POA for their consideration.

- **City Communication & Transparency** – Residents appreciate email updates but suggested improvements, including a **more interactive website, short email blasts, text alerts, and clearer explanations of city projects and spending**.
- **Concerns About Taxation & Spending** – Some residents are concerned about **property tax increases**, government expenditures, and the perceived value of city services. Highland Haven has one of the **lowest tax rates in the state of Texas**, which limits what the City can and cannot do, but we strive to maximize efficiency with the resources we have.

Next Steps

The insights gathered from this survey will play a **key role in shaping the updated Comprehensive Plan**. However, we recognize that some topics require **deeper discussion and clarification**. As a next step, the City plans to host **town hall meetings and focus groups** to further explore key issues, better understand resident viewpoints, and provide explanations where misconceptions may exist.

We appreciate the community's engagement in this process and encourage continued participation as we work together to plan for the future of Highland Haven.

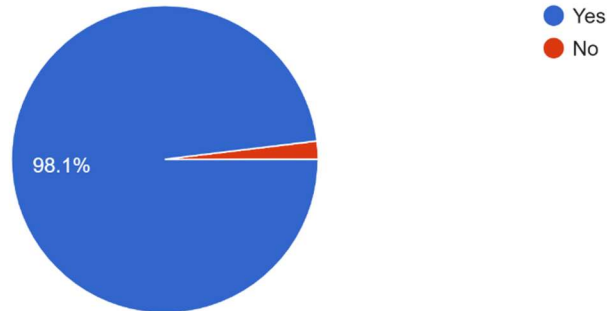
Statistics About the Survey

- A link to the online survey was emailed out on Monday January 13 to 339 email addresses identified as belonging to residents of Highland Haven.
- The survey was also mailed to 14 residents who did not have an email address on file with the city.
- Of the 353 surveys sent out, we received 105 responses, about a 30% response rate.
- Of those 105 responses, 96 were received through the online survey, and 9 were written survey responses.
- In developing the survey, it was decided to offer a comment section after each question asked. There were 269 comments made in total in these sections. Comments below were copied directly from the survey.
- No survey questions were mandatory, and those filling out the survey could choose to respond or skip any questions asked.
- Below are the response results for all the surveys that the city received.

Q1:

Do you feel safe in your community?

105 responses



Yes=103

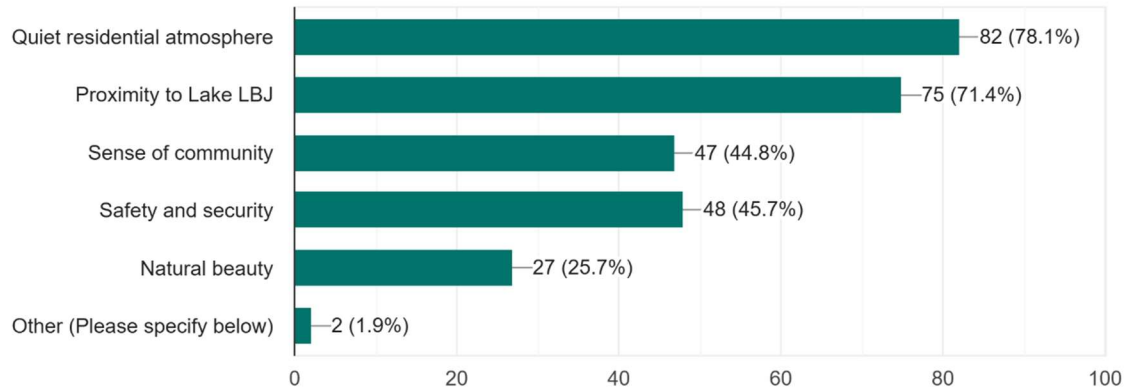
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- Written Survey.
- Written Survey
- We live on Highland Drive and there is constant traffic of contractor trucks working on the many various jobs in the neighborhood.
- Corruption within Burnet County Sheriff's department needs to change though.
- Written Survey. I feel we need emergency routes in case of fire, the creek flooding, aftermath of tornadoes, etc. And I feel everyone needs to know these routes and how to use them. Please do consider this.
- always liked the one way in and one way out, keeps in my opinion the bad guys out.
- But would like a law enforcement presence more frequently than the current drive throughs by the BCSO
- Written Survey. We need to be aware crime happens.
- Quite safe
- We have lived here for 29 years and have always felt very safe
- I worry for my pets safety due to other neighbors.
- Written Survey. HH is a bedroom community - no commerce and close knit community - aspects of a sanctuary of sorts - don't forget that
- No lighting is needed to feel safe.

Q2:

What do you value most about living in our city? (Select up to 3)

105 responses

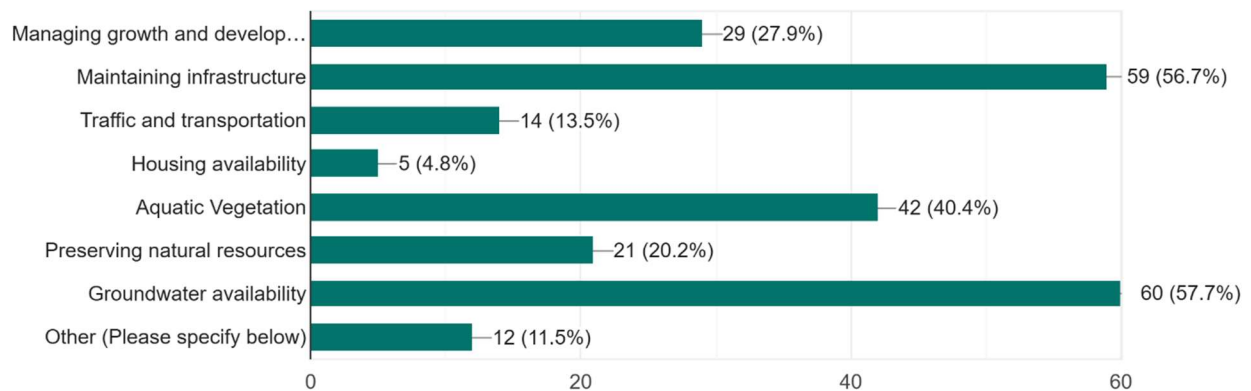


- I live on a channel which I have quick access to the water
- Family
- No congestion, no crowds in typical sense
- Well maintained properties.

Q3:

What do you see as the biggest challenges facing our city in the next 10 years?

104 responses



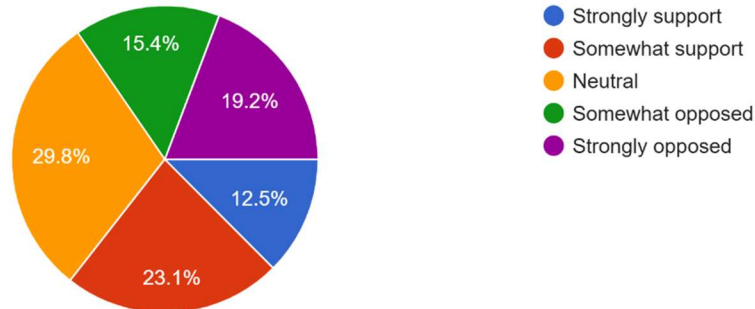
- We should have real fire hydrants from what I understand of the present situation it would take a while to get emergency water if needed.
- More families are moving in. We need to build real parks for the children
- Planned development at the entrance of Highland Haven.
- I think the city leaders are doing what they can for our citizens.

- Making all the parks welcoming. Most are just open areas with nothing there. Turn one into a dog park.
- HH needs to explore a city sewer system. Perhaps partnering with Granite Shoals, Kingsland, other.
- Number of pets in the household and quietness of people animals
- we are asked to conserve water, yet new houses are being built that consume water when we are in drought conditions. No new houses should be built until the water issue is resolved.
- Emergency alerts (tornado, fire, etc)
- Government overreach. We are not a city. We don't need a mayor or any government positions. Y'all do nothing besides tell everyone else what they can't do. You don't maintain the roads. You don't maintain the parks. You don't maintain the electrical utilities. There is no sewer or water treatment plant. Y'all only manage the water and that's because you force everyone to hook up to it. You won't allow us to drill a well. Even for irrigation purposes only. I also find it hilarious that y'all making these ordinances live on the water and have a lake pump or already had a well. I pay the city of HH in taxes almost \$1000 a year. I've never seen a dime of that money come back to reflect our community. The ladies club does more than the city and they are volunteers. So why do we need you? And I would really love an explanation of why we need a city administrator. What on earth could you possibly do? Please let me know. Like what are your daily tasks? How do you help me? Why are we paying you \$85,000 a year? Also the city still owes me \$400. I was wrongly charged a permit extension fee and I called out Tom for the mistake and was told that I was wrong and the city forced me to pay it or suffer penalty and not receive my CO. I have all the details and emails that show everything and I have asked multiple times but Tom will not even respond to my emails.
- Preserving the uniqueness of the community growth, of course is limited by the very limited unused lots/spaces. No multi dwellings, no traffic
- Enforcing deed restrictions by filing a lawsuit before an unapproved project is finished and after proper notice is the only way to keep the aging neighborhood in good condition.
- As a result of the on-going drought conditions in central and west Texas and the subsequent low levels of the Highland Lakes, Lake LBJ is becoming increasingly congested and busy. This results in increased noise, trash on the lake, and busier streets, all of which work against the quiet nature of our residential community.
- Taxes

Q4:

Do you support commercial development along the highway at the entrance to the community?

104 responses



Strongly Support=13, Somewhat Support=24, Neutral=31, Somewhat Opposed=16, Strongly Opposed=20

- NO commercial developments or short term rentals within the HH Community.
- No entirely opposed to commercial development at the highway. BUT it should be strictly regulated for appearance unlike Kingsland, granite shoals and the west end of marble falls. I believe any development should include and actual traffic light at that intersection
- Oppose commercial in our community
- Any new development should be single family residential only.
- No multifamily, no high water users, limited personal services in designated location
- Clty police are going to have to do a MUCH BETTER JOB of traffic control. (speed) and also visibility- we dont see them patrolling as they should
- I am against multi-family (apartments, etc.) in this community, and really would not want commercial development. If approved, I'd suggest limiting commercial to professional services (medical, attorney, etc.), and limiting total development to a small percentage of the neighborhood (land, population, etc.). No retail, entertainment, etc.
- Commercial development will create more non residential traffic into HH. Increased traffic leads to less security. This could potentially decrease property values as well.
- I live on Highland Drive and I think traffic is bad enough
- If it brings in sufficient tax revenue and if we have a traffic light at 1431 and 125.
- Commercial development on the 1431, with the way our area is growing either we can control the growth or the growth will control us. With the right kind of development this would help with road cost, park cost, taxes, etc. Look at Granite Shoals history.
- Responsible development that adds to the value and experience of Highland Haven residents is encouraged. Commercial development that detracts from the unique qualities of HH is discouraged.

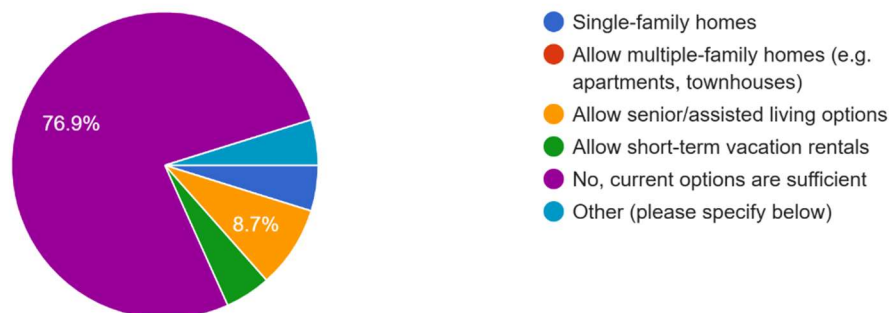
- If commercial development becomes a reality, it should reflect the nature and design of Highland Haven, i.e. no tattoo parlors, bars, smoke shops, etc...
- Unless we have working red light to get out
- No commercial development in the community, we have enough problems with traffic and speeding from all the maintenance workers daily.
- No commercial development
- Rather keep commercial out but on 1431 at most
- commercial should be limited to 1431
- Favor Local businesses vs chain operations
- I would not be in favor of commercial development in the community, but out on the highway at the entrance would be expected.
- need a traffic light at Highland Drive and 1431, with development more traffic
- I am against commercial development because of added traffic and more non-residence being around or in the neighborhood.
- No commercial development past Curtis Fry Bridge.
- No apartments or condos
- Could use a stop light or better traffic control at entrance.
- My main concern is traffic at the intersection of Highland Drive and 1431. This is a very dangerous intersection. I'm not necessarily opposed to commercial development but it will make the intersection more dangerous.
- We need a sewer system
- There should not be any more houses added in our community to the water system while we the current residents are asked to reduce our water usage is being restricted
- No commercial development in the community
- Living in our beautiful lake community is a privilege, and I truly appreciate the clean, serene environment and the sense of community it fosters. However, I do feel there's an opportunity for thoughtful development that can enhance our quality of life while maintaining the charm and character of the area. Specifically, I'd love to see improved infrastructure for outdoor activities, such as cycling paths and walking trails, which would not only benefit residents but also attract those seeking active, outdoor lifestyles. Additionally, introducing small, carefully planned commercial spaces—such as a grocery store, coffee shop, or restaurants—would bring convenience and encourage community gathering without requiring long drives for essentials. I believe promoting a balance between commercial growth and maintaining the area's natural beauty can be beneficial to both current and future residents. Thoughtful development could enrich our community while preserving the tranquility we all cherish.
- It would help our tax base to have some commercial along 1431.
- Let people do what they want. Leave everyone alone.
- No commercial development!
- I love the community just as it is. Building commercial and multi-residential buildings will bring in the riff-raff

- Commercial development would ruin our quiet, safe community. We already have too much "outside" traffic with all of the construction workers zooming around our streets.
- No to commercial development . Need to keep the restrictions on rental property
- Do we really need another conv. store? Commercial except for area west of water tank is already "banned" - why in the world or who would want to change that, just a few available residential lots, no multi family
- Enforcing the proper set back distance from the property line makes the neighborhood a more beautiful place. New builds want larger and larger houses and may try pushing the deed restrictions. Once again, have an attorney on speed dial.
- We are strongly opposed to any commercial development in Highland Haven. We also strongly oppose multi-unit/multi family development in Highland Haven.
- Improve public spaces - Pickle ball/Tennis courts, Shuffleboard, Community center with Gym.
- My concerns about development in general (residential or commercial) are centered around the lack of infrastructure to support it, that is, narrow roads, water availability, and limited emergency services.
- No commercial development.
- No storage facility.
- Commercial development attracts too many non HH citizens into our neighborhood.
- We didn't need commercial development out here. Highoand Haven is tucked away outside the hustle and bustle of Marble Falls, amd this is precisely what makes our community so special. Please do NOT open us up to commercial development.
- It is such a beautiful community, no short term rentals. I love seeing newer or bigger houses going in on the lakefront
- Should not have commercial development within the community. Only on highway frontage.

Q5:

Do you think the city needs more housing options?

104 responses



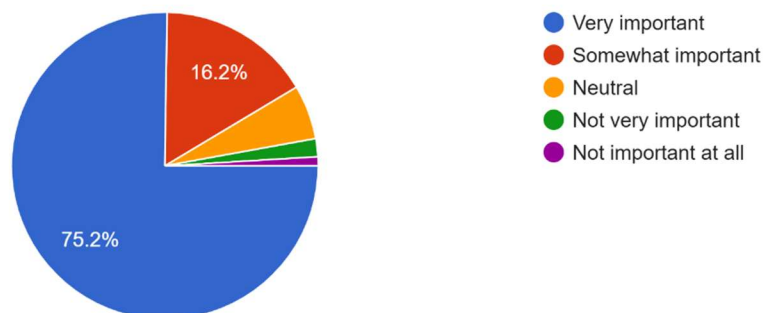
Single-family homes=5, Allow multi-family homes=0, Allow senior/assisted living options=9, Allow short-term rentals=5, No current options are sufficient=80, Other=5

- I would support carefully defined multi-family zones.
- No multi family homes, no short term rentals
- Definitely not short term rentals
- The reason i chose this neighborhood is because it does not allow mutli family homes and vacation rentals. i would not want that
- no airbnb or vrbo
- No short term rentals!!!!
- I am strongly opposed to short term rentals. We live on waterfront property with the closest permanent neighbor 3 houses away on both sides. I feel that allowing STR's will increase noise and traffic right next door.
- water is the current issue except for the houses along the water ways that pull water illegally from the lake. Their lawns are always green
- This sounds like you have been getting pressure from developers. Don't buy into their "siren's" song. You represent us not third party hustlers
- I prefer single family homes but would have no objection to well-constructed and maintained townhouses. Rentals of any kind can be problematic because renters rarely feel committed to the community. Short-term vacation rentals are, in my opinion, much more likely to be problematic, with renters not knowing about and not interested in knowing about local laws, ordinances, etc., and are, therefore, less likely to honor them.
- If we are just referencing our tiny town of Highland Haven, why would we bring in apartments or senior living into a neighborhood? Continue with no STR

Q6:

How important is it to you that housing development in Highland Haven preserves the character of the existing neighborhood?

105 responses



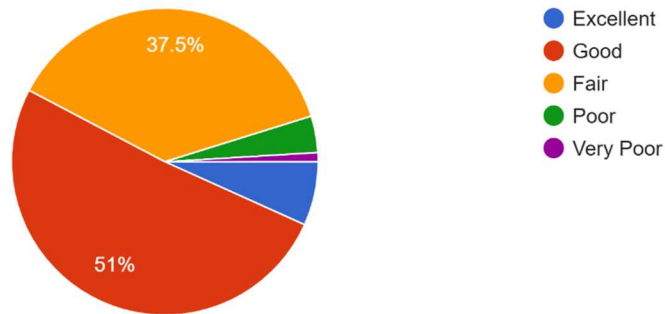
Very Important=79, Somewhat Important=17, Neutral=6, Not Very Important=6, Not Important at all=1

- While short-term rentals might increase property values due to income potential I would not support them as it increases strain on resources and could increase safety concerns. Weekenders like myself pose enough of a challenge to knowing your neighbors.
- The current character is one of the prime reasons we purchased property here.
- Only 1 household on each lot. Not dividing up the lot into 2 or more parcels.
- We have some new housing in the city, so I think the city is moving at the right speed.
- We are a small residential community with minimal road access and limited infrastructure. Multi-family units and short-term rentals cannot coexist with our residential homes without negatively impacting the life of HH residents. We are already seeing negative impacts in Nobles addition with traffic, parking, trash and noise due to short-term rentals
- The restrictions to single family homes should remain and no short term rental
- i think a lot of homes are letting their yards deteriorate, particularly those with second homes. I think an effort to upgrade landscaping in our community would be huge for our valuations and community pride
- It strongly needs to be approved, like better roads and sidewalks! And either tear down problem houses or bring them up to code
- Preserving the character of the neighborhood is important, but I also believe there's room for thoughtful evolution. One concern I'd like to raise is regarding the high property taxes and the restrictions on short-term rentals. It is becoming increasingly challenging to offset the costs associated with maintaining our house on the lake, especially with the current ordinance prohibiting short-term rentals. Allowing for limited, well-regulated short-term rentals could provide financial relief for many homeowners like us, who are not full-time residents. This change could also bring economic benefits to the community by encouraging more visitors to support local businesses and promoting Highland Haven as a desirable destination. I know other part-time residents share this concern, and I believe this could be an opportunity to strike a balance that benefits both homeowners and the community.
- We should not turn our City into vacation rentals.
- The city has made the building permit rules so ridiculous it's very difficult to build. Austin has less rules and fees even.
- Preservation of the quintessential natural/character of the community is the paramount issue
- We strongly oppose vacation rentals (VRBO's) in Highland Haven.
- Maintain a Single Family Residential neighborhood. Adding Multi-family/senior living will de-value existing properties.
- See comments above.
- I have concerns that inflated property values will overtake those of us who serve in the public arena, teachers, law enforcement, first responders, and retirees who have offered stability to our community.

Q7:

How would you rate the condition of the city's infrastructure (roads, drinking water, parks, storage areas, etc.)?

104 responses



Excellent=7, Good=53, Fair=39, Poor=4, Very Poor=1

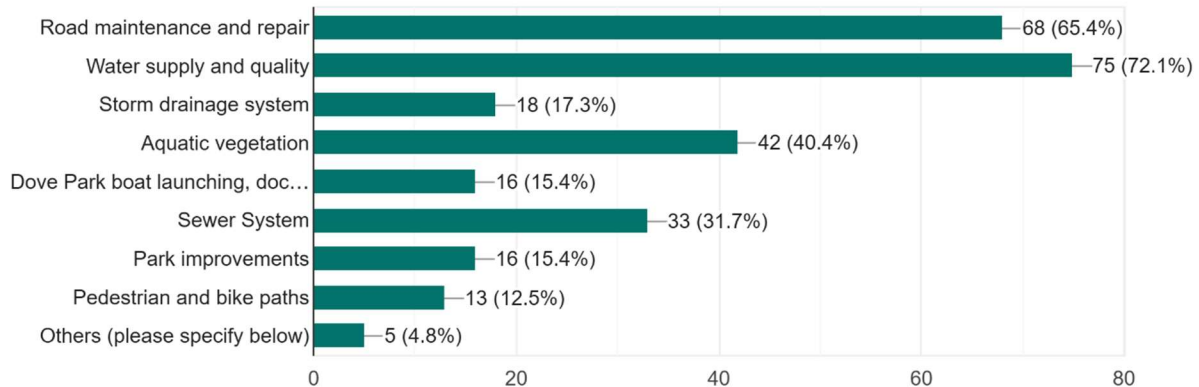
- Good but the roads are getting taxed by increased activity as LBJ has become more popular the neighborhood is changing and getting much more use.
- Love it the way it is. If possible, a little on going maintenance on the dock at Dove (mostly regular power washing) due to birds and algae . The use of proper budgeting for future infrastructure needs in order to upgrade things when needed. The Dover boat ramp will eventually need something done, as it is the only usable ramp. Appreciate the addition of the new water tank.
- Roads
- Roads need work and always will, EDC would be able to help with the cost of the city's infrastructure.
- Our roads definitely could use a facelift. Water is good and the recent improvements to the water system was much needed. Keep the parks in the hands of the POA in order to restrict use to residents and guests only.
- Poor Roads
- Main road is in fair shape due to the repairs this past year, but the whole road needs to be fixed. Water is good, although we use a water softener and filters. Parks are poor, except for Dove park which is in good shape. We need to use the parks we have to make them inviting for residents. Turn one into a dog park. I'm not sure of the storage status, is there anything available?
- Storage area needs work for sure, drainage also needs to improved
- Water is great roads need a lot of work.
- been a long time since roads were chip & sealed. need to schedule with County
- Water is very good, roads fair, need sewer!
- Red park for kids to play. Playscape, etc

- Roads could use some update
- I would like to see something done with the parks, playground
- the roads are awful. more attention should be given to the state of the roads
- The only problem we have are the horrible roads we have
- Could we possibly have the county improve the roads they are responsible for?
- The roads are atrocious. The county paved highland Dr so all the city has to do are the side streets and can't even do that. I had to fix the approach behind my grandparents driveway with asphalt myself because the city hasn't done anything on the roads in years. And if they do it's only shotty patchwork. The water quality is awful as well. It's extremely hard. For as much as y'all charge you would think the water could be filtered or treated at least some. If it is it's not doing much. I've had well water better than this. I'm running a 2 stage whole home filtration with sediment and charcoal and it barely helps. The parks leave much to be desired. Dove park is great but that's about it. We would love to see playgrounds or something for children to play on. A 4 foot wide bench facing away from the water on an unkept lot is not a park. Seems like whoever lives closest to some of these parks just uses them as extra yards. The storage areas are a business and shouldn't be a concern of the city. They are self sufficient. NO city funds should ever go towards a for profit business such as storage.
- Again, consider the nature of the community. It's quite adequate under the circumstance.
- We prefer to leave the open space of the parks as they are. In other words, no pickleball/basketball courts etc.
 - Repave all roads within the neighborhood. Require homeowners to maintain edge where their yard meets the asphalt. This will eliminate most of the issues that currently exist with yards growing onto the asphalt and creating cracks.
 - Build a Community area - that includes an exercise facility/tennis courts/pickleball courts/shuffleboard courts for residents only.
- Our roads could be a little wider. Guests are not suppose to park on the grass but the roads are not wide enough to park on for garage sales, parties, family get togethers.....
- Roads could be better, otherwise all good!

Q8:

What infrastructure improvements are important to you? (Select up to 3)

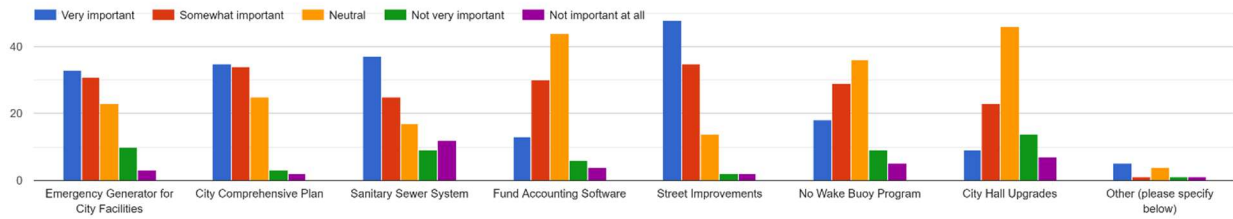
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- Maintain separation of City and HHPOA responsibilities (ie: parks, boat ramps, & aquatic vegetation are responsibilities of the HHPOA which is private entity of HH property owners and is not open to the general public).
- Did the increase in water capacity get completed?
- The City should revisit sewer system options
- From an environmental perspective, a city wide sewer system may be more friendly to the lake and the groundwater.
- I'm not sure why this survey keeps pushing aquatic vegetation. That only effects a small number of households in the neighborhood. We shouldn't have to pay for that. Create a park and playground area that the community will use.
- HHPOA owns and services parks. should not be on City survey
- Outside people using our boat ramp is/ will be a concern
- I would like for brush collection, bulk collection, and hazardous waste collection to be made available to Waste management contract.
- Natural gas and fiber optic cable
- Fun areas with pickleball, bocce court
- The MUD sewer proposal 15 years ago shot down in flames - everybody already paid for septic. Nobody uses the parks, especially the weekends. With minimal traffic congestion - paths are superfluous
- It would be fun to have a big slide into the water at Dove Park.
- There is no sewer system, but would be nice.

Q9:

Please rate the importance of the following General Fund Capital Projects.

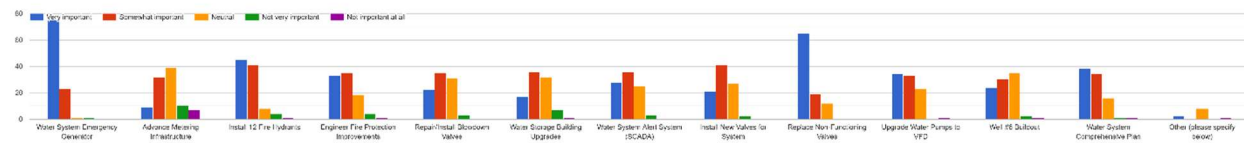


General Fund Capital Projects					
	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Not Very Important	Not Important at all
Generator	33	31	23	10	3
Comp. Plan	35	34	25	3	2
Sewer	37	25	17	9	12
Fund Acc.	13	30	44	6	4
Streets	48	35	14	2	2
Buoys	18	29	36	9	5
City Hall	9	23	46	14	7
Other	5	1	4	1	1

- Additions to city parks: volleyball/pickleball courts, playgrounds etc
- A comprehensive aquatic vegetation control plan for all Highland Haven shoreline areas is something most all residents would welcome and support. Vegetation free shoreline areas is something that benefits all property values as well as every other aspect of lake living.
- Any major changes, i.e. upgrades to city hall, should be dedicated to our long standing mayor, Mr. Olan Kelly.
- Playgrounds in the parks
- Neighborhood pool
- General amenities to improve value of real estate
- Thought you had generator back up 2. Why in the world would HH need a comp plan? Absurd. 3. Software should be in place; city finances with no standing debts., limited procurement and small staff should be affordable. 4. City Hall - what type of upgrades? KISS applies
- I've noticed some No wake Buoys Are placed too far from the Shoreline. My guess is, some homeowners have taken it upon themselves to move these buoys.
- not familiar with the general fund capital projects funding or planning so no opinion

Q10:

Please rate the importance of the following Water Fund Capital Projects.



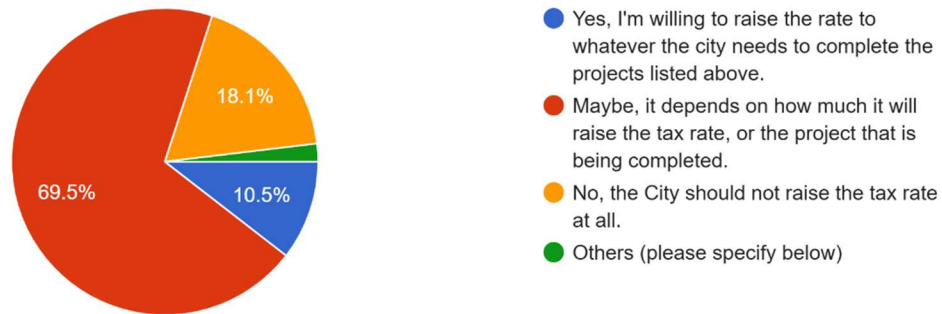
Water Fund Capital Projects					
	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Not Very Important	Not Important at all
Generator	75	23	1	1	0
AMI	9	32	39	10	7
Fire Hyd.	45	41	8	4	1
Eng. FPI	33	35	18	4	1
Blowdowns	22	35	31	3	0
Buildings	17	36	32	7	1
SCADA	28	36	25	3	0
New Valves	21	41	27	2	0
Repair Val.	65	19	12	0	0
VFD Pumps	34	33	23	0	1
Well #6	24	30	35	2	1
Comp. Plan	38	34	16	1	1
Other	2	0	8	0	1

- I'm not on city water and would like to keep it that way. However, I do support the community have the best functioning capabilities for city water.
- Need more details on all topics here.
- We have an emergency generator for water system-why is that an item?
- Not sure what many of the questions mean.
- Need to understand and be aware of the expert opinion of the water managers to prioritize.
- I am not familiar with the specifics of these project so selected neutra.
- See 17 about generator. Need 2 "refill" hydrants for pumpers. What is "engineer fire protection improvements". Ditto on valves - repair existing valves seems obvious. Water storage not needed, just finished 2 tanks. Again, if valves are integral to system, would replace. Thought GSFD had their pumps. Don't need a comp plan, just template for maintenance upgrade. The questions posed to lay people who don't have full understanding of issue is counterproductive. Issue a synopsis.
- again, not familiar

Q11:

Are you willing to raise the current tax rate in order to pay for any of the above projects or improvements to the city?

105 responses



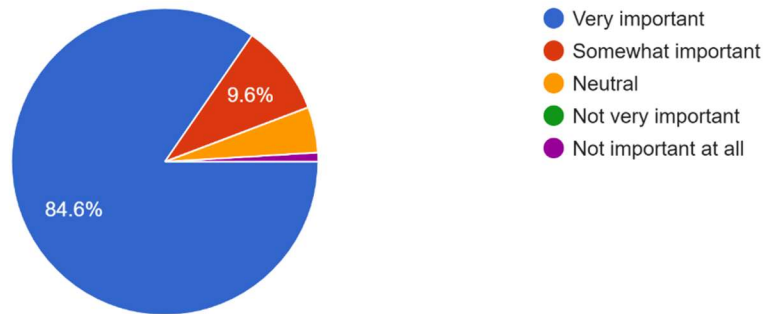
Yes=11, Maybe=73, No=19, Other=2

- There are other ways to raise funds for these projects/improvements that just to raise taxes.
- While I appreciate our city council's efforts in keeping our tax rate low, at some point we have to concede that it takes money to keep our city at the quality level we expect. Maintenance is a fact of life, not only is it necessary to maintain our homes, but it is also necessary to maintain it's surroundings. With thoughtful, frugal planning and spending of our increased tax dollars, we can maintain our quality of life here in Highland Haven.
- The rate is so high already
- I live in Nobles.
- eliminate the city manager position and use the funds to pay for the improvements
- My answer is 1000% NO. The ridiculous salaries paid to the city administrator and others would cover a lot of the improvements that need to be made over the next few years.
- City needs to be very careful on revenue increase since total taxes for our residents have increased over 50% since 2019; homeowners insurance has increased at incredible rate, PEC costs up. Many residents on fixed income.

Q12:

How important is it to protect natural resources in the community (e.g. Lake LBJ, Groundwater, Hazardous Waste, etc.)?

104 responses



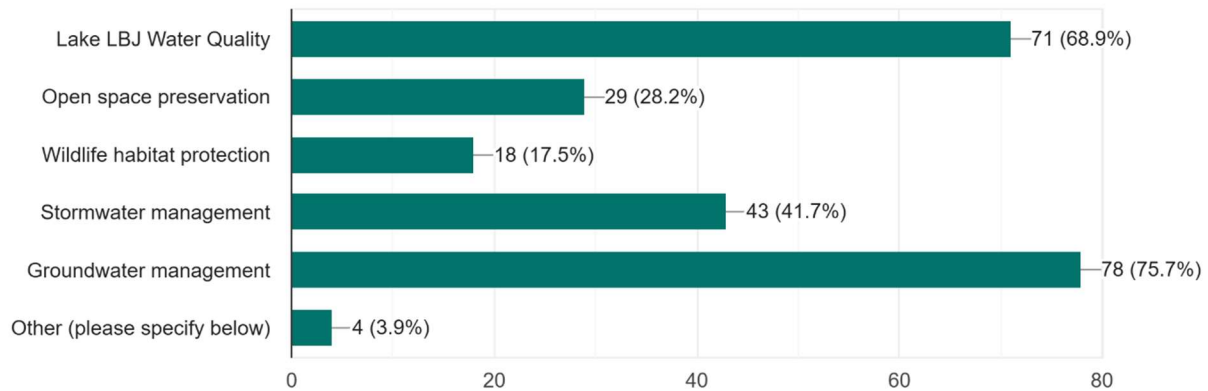
Very Important=88, Somewhat Important=10, Neutral=5, Not Very Important=0, Not Important at all=1

- Very dependent on cost/value. There are already many entities involved in this.
- Aquatic vegetation (milfoil, much, etc.) have reduced the amount of water activity. We've been in Highland Haven for 25+ years and have never seen it this bad.
- Tell the people living on the lake to quit pumping it out to water their grass year round while the rest of us have to pay astronomical water fees. Also their grass stays green even in drought conditions when the rest of us are only allowed to water once or maybe twice a week.
- Groundwater issues in TX are or will be the issue dominating quality of life matters. Of course, that is a state issue - TX has an antiquated process for groundwater conservation in face of most uncontrolled growth.

Q13:

What environmental issues should the city prioritize? (Select up to 3)

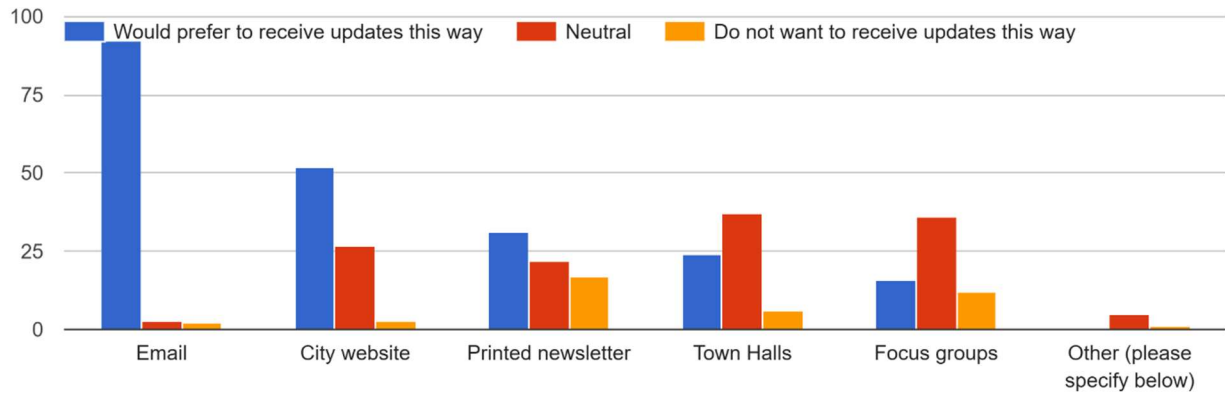
103 responses



- maintaining or lowering city taxes for seniors
- Get rid of the deer
- Lake LBJ is controlled by LCRA. The city has no authority or concern about the quality of Lake LBJ. Stormwater management doesn't exist. Neither does groundwater. Wildlife habitat makes no sense. This is a neighborhood. There are large ranches that border HH. That's your wildlife habitat. What open spaces are you referring to? There are no open spaces. All lots are privately owned.
- Uncontrolled (virtually) growth - RR 1431 will be a mad house in a few years
- hydrilla issues need to be addressed as a neighborhood. our canal all pitches in to hire someone to maintain it. But if the issues in all canals are not resolved, home value will drop and people will leave

Q14:

How would you prefer to receive updates about the comprehensive plan and other city projects:
(select all that apply)



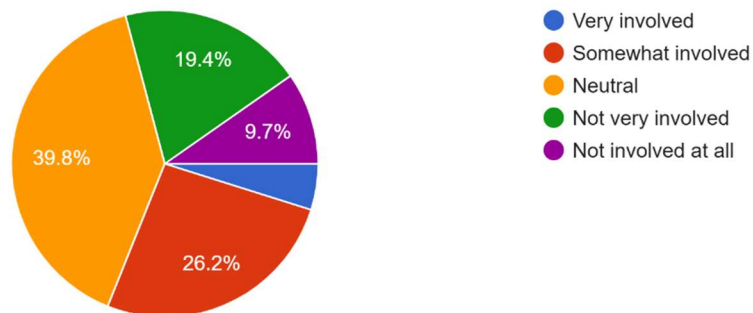
	Would Prefer	Neutral	Would Not Prefer
Email	92	3	2
Website	52	27	3
Printed Newsletter	31	22	17
Town Halls	24	37	6
Focus Groups	16	36	12
Other	0	5	1

No Comments on this Question

Q15:

How involved do you feel in the city decision-making processes?

103 responses



Very Involved=5, Somewhat Involved=27, Neutral=41, Not Very Involved=20, Not Involved at all=10

Q16: What could the city do to improve communication with residents?

- Send out more emails about important issues.
- I am not involved due to distance and time I am up there. It should be a focus of mine but my bandwidth is limited.
- Publish various board minutes via email & City website push digital availability notice
- Nothing. Current method seems to work.
- I think the emails and general meetings are sufficient. If there is a true emergency or urgent need then some additional type of communication may be warranted.
- Choose communication topics based on the results of this survey.
- Newsletter is too long. Shorter blasts of info might help.
- Email communication is sufficient.
- City leaders do a good job of communicating.
- The city makes every effort to communicate with its residents as it is now. The electronic reader board is helpful, the information emails and website all communicate well. Maybe an emergency text system would be helpful for immediate dispersal of notification would be helpful but not hugely necessary. The reality is that the information is available, but the resident must read it to be informed.
- Just provide the information in easy to read and understand language. Provide topic, details, cost and how and when things are being done. I can't tell what the city is doing vs. what an individual is doing around here.
- Doing good job - no need to change
- It will be difficult to communicate to people who don't live here, as they have other priorities
- mail out to residents at their primary residence
- Website update ease of navigation to items
- Tornado/Wildfire siren
- the city does a great job of communicating and engaging the community. It is my own fault for not being more active. I will work to change that in 2025.
- I commend the City Staff on keeping the community informed.
- Maybe actually listen to its residents. The board members are in a little friend group do whatever they feel like.
- Live stream meetings
- Develop a better website that could provide interactive support to the community. The current website is not user friendly and does not provide current calendar information.
- Text messages
- Quarterly newsletter
- I believe a lot can and should be done, to enhance the city website. Not everyone can attend meetings to learn about pending issues, but most folks can log on to the website to get updates. It's probably possible to incorporate a feedback feature that would allow for comments and questions.
- Nothing. Communication is good.
- Continue to keep residents informed by email.

- Email, Website
- I don't need to be more involved so I am good with not being involved :)

Q17: Do you have any additional comments or suggestions for the comprehensive plan?

- No
- Improve enforcement of residents only use of Dove park (HOA or city?) I believe it was brought up at one time, but I support the city adopting the Dark Sky's model to control light pollution
- Glad this is being conducted. Please publish results to respondents.
- The plan should include a generous anticipated percentage increase in future project cost, based on recent history of price escalations for many construction and other services.
- As the area expands and dependant upon how the highway commercial space will be utilized, consider making Highland Haven a gated community.
- I think roads an water will be an issue in the future
- Need to address the viability of city sewage and determine what options we have to clean the lake bottom of muck, rid milfoil and other invasive aquatic vegetation.
- Commercial Development (EDC)
- Issues: Contractors speeding and starting before 7 a.m. Lawncare on working on Sundays. Underage golf cart drivers
- Where is the draft. It would have been nice to see prior to this survey.
- no
- We are a very small city - our administration and taxes should reflect that status.
- Please preserve the single family housing with no short term rentals.
- Keep up the good work of managing our city
- variances need to be easier to get to upgrade grandfathered structures
- No short term rentals, please !!!
- It is a Great place to live, keep it that way, less govt is good govt
- no new houses should be built that stress our water system
- Thank you for sending this survey!
- Post these results publicly. I do not trust the city to share results of this survey accurately. They will misconstrue it to fit their agenda to raise taxes for salary increases that they will blame on inflation I'm sure.
- None at this time
- See previous comments on scope and necessity for a typical municipal comp. plan here in HH. Really need to avoid "make work" projects.
- Treat the algae that backs into coves
- Internal Roads need to be repaved & HOMEOWNERS should do their part in maintaining the the edge where their lot that meets the asphalt. To note: I live on Flamingo circle & I'm not aware of any section that is wide enough for 2 cars to be side x side on asphalt.
- The City of Highland Haven needs to do a better job to keep our community at the highest of standards. Enforcement of the Codes needs to be better. Tall grass needs to be mowed

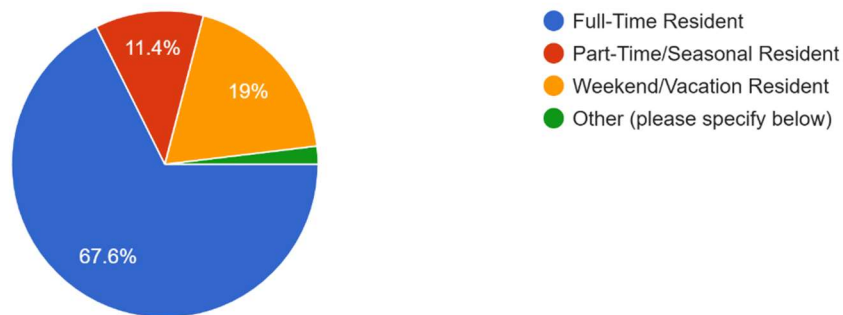
more often. Residents need to trim bushes and shrubs to code. Some properties are looking very bad.....

- not at this time
- Not at this time

Q18:

How would you classify your residency in Highland Haven?

105 responses

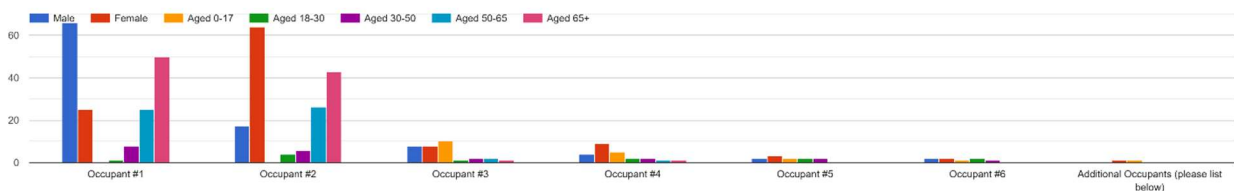


Full Time=71, Part-Time=12, Weekend/Vacation=20, Other=2

- Part time through out the year.
- I live in Nobles
- Current weekend but hope to be full time after retirement

Q19:

How many people reside in the home when occupied (select information for each occupant to show how many people reside in the home)?

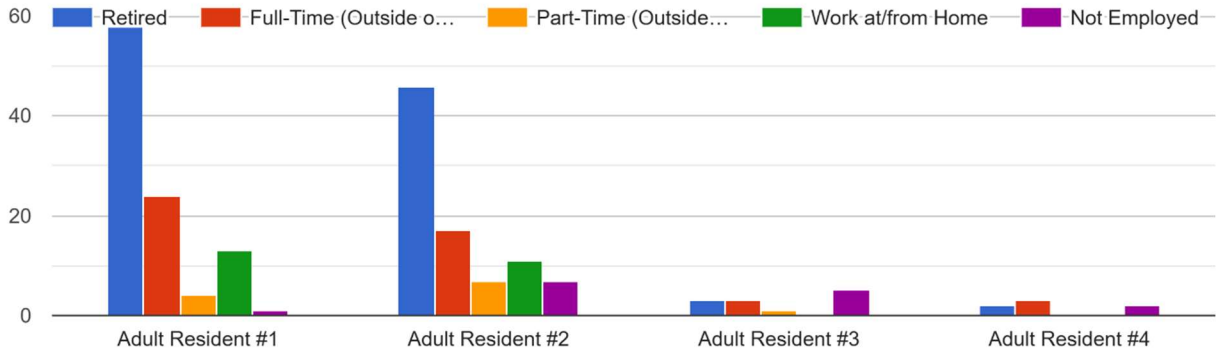


Majority of answers were 2 people living in the home, over the age of 50

- Other occupants would be family or friends visiting. Sporadic.
- None of your business
- This is a family house. There are 13 in my family (adults age 20-75) and each one has access to and takes advantage of this house on weekends and through out the year.
- None of your business. This is not a census

Q20:

Please list the employment status of Principal Adult Residents:



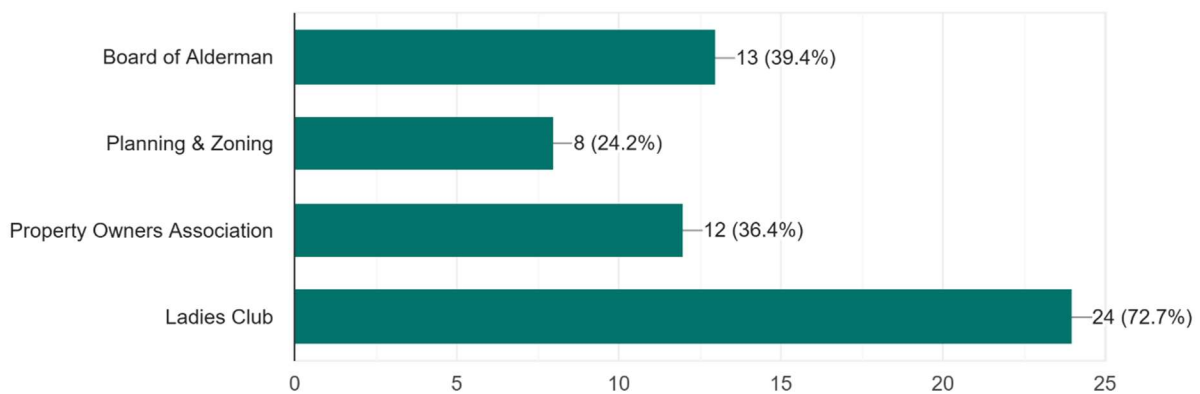
Slight Majority of answers were retired vs still working

No Comments

Q21:

Do you or anyone in your household attend or participate in any of the following organizations?
(check all that apply)

33 responses



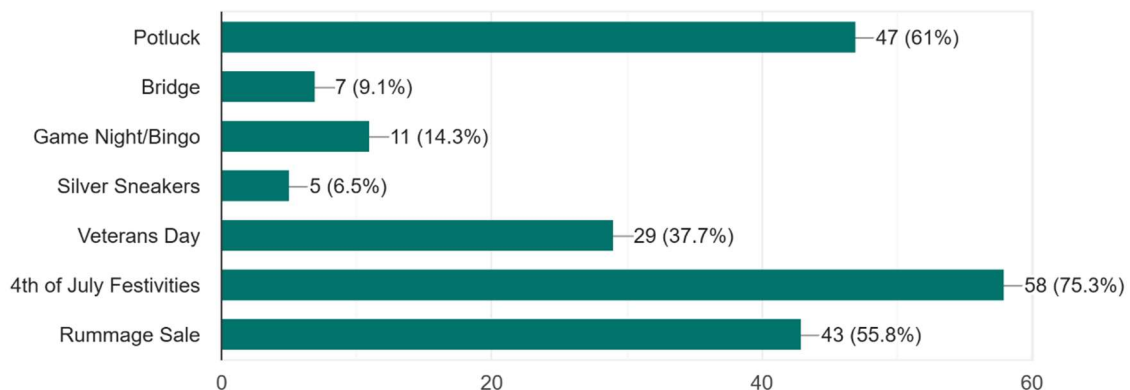
- Park improvements
- Ladies Club on a limited basis (help with the rummage sale).
- Good roads, clean drinking water, clean Lake LBJ

- Personally, I would like to see the POA start collecting minimal annual dues and use the funds for upkeep and to beautify our parks. Our volunteer maintenance crew has dwindled from years past as our demographics are changing.
- Trim down tall bushes at Dove Park. Blocks view of water
- Not very often anymore
- Short Term Rentals
- Only thing the city could do is either dissolve are at least build a playground in one of the parks. Heck I will build and maintain it myself.
- I would like to see wildflower seeds put out any and everywhere.
- We would like the large stone blocks removed from Highland Park West. We believe they are out of place and serve no purpose. We are grateful for the BOA's quick response and action to our vehicle traffic concerns and appreciate continual monitoring.
- Ladies Club speakers on aging in place, managing finances and meal delivery in our neighborhood for those who don't have someone to prepare meal for them.

Q22:

Below are activities currently provided in our community. Please check all activities that you or anyone in your household participate in. (check all that apply)

77 responses



- Bosseln & Cornhole & Bocce
- Do we need periodic or seasonal community clean up events (can't let William do all the work!)?
- Walk/hike group
- Enjoy the Easter Church service at Dove park
- Pickleball, sports court and pavilion
- POA - Swimming Pool, Playground
- None of these activities have anything to do with the city.
- I would like a program like Silver Sneakers that I do not have to pay for. My insurance does not cover Silver Sneakers

- Pickleball Court. Tennis Court.
- Exercise and fitness for working people, 5am and after 5pm, Fun nights that don't conflict with church nights
- love the citywide garage sale! I am happy to volunteer this year to get it on more social media. It isn't advertised well enough for the amount of items donated. Also getting neighbors to host their own garage sales that weekend if they want to bring even more attention to it. A lot of us are weekenders and there isn't really going on over the weekends. Would love some couples activities, potlucks, backyard events, etc.

Conclusion

Updating the Comprehensive Plan is an essential step in ensuring that Highland Haven remains a well-managed, forward-thinking community while preserving the qualities that make it such a special place to live. The insights gained from this survey will help shape policies and guide decision-making in a way that reflects the needs and values of our residents. While there are differing opinions on certain issues, this process provides an opportunity for open discussion, collaboration, and problem-solving as we work together to create a shared vision for the future.

The City of Highland Haven is committed to transparency and community engagement throughout this process. We encourage all residents to stay involved by attending upcoming **town hall meetings and focus groups**, where we will explore key issues in greater detail, address concerns, and provide further clarity on city operations and priorities. Your voice is essential in this process, and we appreciate your time, input, and dedication to making Highland Haven the best it can be.

City Administrator's Update

HIGHLAND HAVEN

March 14, 2025



Standing Up for Highland Haven Defending Our Right to Govern Locally

Dear Highland Haven Residents,

The 89th Texas Legislative Session continues, and our city is actively working to protect local decision-making. At our upcoming Board of Aldermen meeting on March 18, the Board will consider Resolution No. 366, formally opposing Senate Bill 19 and other legislative efforts that undermine local governance. This bill—along with several others introduced in the Texas Legislature—would strip cities like Highland Haven of vital resources, including access to legal and legislative advocacy through organizations like the Texas Municipal League. Eliminating these resources would place an enormous financial burden on small cities while also limiting our ability to advocate for our residents at the state level.

State lawmakers refer to this as “taxpayer-funded lobbying,” but the reality is that this effort is aimed at silencing cities while leaving other lobbying groups untouched. Meanwhile, the state itself uses taxpayer dollars to advocate at the federal level, creating a clear double standard. Local control is the foundation of good governance, and decisions for Highland Haven should be made by those who live and work here—not dictated by one-size-fits-all mandates from Austin.

This newsletter will continue to provide updates on key legislative issues affecting our city, along with ways you can stay engaged. Your voice matters, and lawmakers need to hear from the residents they represent.

Stay informed, stay involved, and thank you for being an engaged part of our community!

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In this newsletter
you can expect:

Note about
proposed
Resolution #364

Link to our
legislative issues
webpage

Update on City
Survey and next
steps

Dates for the
next BOA
Meeting

Dates for the
next P&Z
Meeting

Legislative Issues

www.highlandhaventx.com/legislative-issues/

To find out more about current legislative issues that may affect our city, please visit the website listed above. On the city's legislative issues webpage you can find a copy of Resolution #364 which outlines the city's legislative priorities for the 89th Texas Legislative Session. A copy of Resolution #366, outlining the city's opposition to Senate Bill 19 will be available in the packet for the March 18 BOA meeting.

You can also find a Bill Review document which summarizes bills that have been filed so far this session, as well as contact information for our local representatives and sample form letters which can help you write an effective advocacy letter or email.

Next BOA Meeting

The next Board of Alderman meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday March 18 at the Community Center.

A copy of the agenda will be available online, as well as the packet.

Next P&Z Meeting

The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting will take place at 6 p.m. on Thursday April 10 at the Community Center.

A copy of the agenda will be available online, as well as the packet.

City Comprehensive Plan Update

City-Wide Survey Results Presented to Planning and Zoning

As part of our efforts to update Highland Haven's Comprehensive Plan, we recently conducted a community survey to gather resident feedback on key issues, including infrastructure, water resources, public safety, and community priorities. With a 30% response rate, the survey revealed strong support for preserving our residential character, improving infrastructure, and maintaining local control over growth and development. Concerns were raised about water conservation, road conditions, emergency preparedness, and city communication.

The Planning & Zoning Commission and the Board of Aldermen will review the survey results in the coming weeks. Once they have had the opportunity to analyze the feedback, we will publish the full results online and move forward with the next steps in updating our Comprehensive Plan. This process will include further community engagement through town hall meetings and focus groups to ensure that resident input remains at the heart of our city's long-term planning.

We appreciate everyone who participated in the survey—your voice is essential in shaping the future of Highland Haven!



Stay in the Loop & Reach Out!

We appreciate you taking the time to stay informed about what's happening in Highland Haven. If you have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat about city matters, we're always happy to hear from you! Feel free to reach out, and we'll do our best to provide answers and keep you in the know.

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Stay engaged, stay involved, and thank you for being a part of what makes Highland Haven a great place to live!



Next Week: TML Legislative Action Day

TML invites city officials to participate in the 2025 Legislative Action Day on March 19, held in conjunction with TML's Midyear Conference. This event provides a valuable opportunity for city

Cheryl Moore, Mayor, Town of Flower Mound

Jesse Moreno, Councilmember, City of Dallas Joseph Koza, Councilmember, City of Pearland Josh Schroeder, Mayor, City of Georgetown

Adam Schiestel, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem, Town of Flower Mound Chad Thumann, Councilmember, City of Pearland

Lee Urbanovski, Mayor, City of Buda

John Zagurski, Chief Financial Officer, Town of Flower Mound

Bills on the Move

This past week, the following bills were heard in committee. TML staff will continue to provide updates to the membership as bills progress through the legislative process, with weekly updates in the standing "Bills on the Move" article. Additionally, the League will notify members on Friday about any potentially harmful bills scheduled for the following week. Given the fast-paced nature of the session, most committees typically post their agendas late on Friday afternoons, so please stay vigilant for these important emails.

H.B. 13 (King), creates the Texas Interoperability Council and administer a grant program to help cities acquire emergency communication equipment. Left pending in House State Affairs.

H.B. 23 (Harris), requires cities to allow for a third-party review and inspections for developments. TML provided [written testimony](#). Left pending in House Land and Resource Management.

H.B. 294 (Cortez), prohibits cities from regulating the growing of fruits and vegetables and the raising of six chickens or six rabbits, with exceptions. Left pending in House Agriculture and Livestock.

S.B. 15 (Bettencourt), caps minimum lot size for greenfields (unplatted property of five acres or more) and creates zoning restrictions for small lots (4000 sq feet and under). The bill as filed only

applies to cities over 90,000 in population located wholly or partly in counties with a population of more than 300,000. Voted from Senate Committee on Local Government.

S.B. 241 (Flores), prohibits a city from adopting or enforcing a policy that discourages or prohibits the enforcement of any public camping ban. If a city is found to be violating entity, the comptroller may withhold a city's portion of sales tax until the comptroller makes any deduction for the amount of money the attorney general or Department of Public Safety spent enforcing the camping ban. TML provided [written testimony](#). Voted from Senate Local Government.

S.B. 533 (Sparks), requires elections for bonds or a tax increase to be held on the November uniform election date by eliminating the May election date for bond elections. TML provided [written testimony](#). Left pending in Senate State Affairs.

S.B. 541 (Kolkhorst), preempts a city's ability to obtain a type of license or permit of cottage food productions. Left pending in Senate Health and Human Services.

S.B. 673 (Hughes), allows an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) in a single-family zoning or unzoned areas by right, and prohibits a city's ability to regulate an ADU in certain ways. This bill applies to all cities. TML provided [written testimony](#). Left pending in Senate Local Government.

S.B. 840 (Hughes), allows mixed-use and multifamily developments in non-residential areas, and prohibits a city's ability to regulate the development in certain ways. This bill as filed applies to cities with a population over 60,000 located in counties with a population over 420,000. TML provided [written testimony](#). Left pending in Senate Local Government.

S.B. 854 (Middleton), cities must allow mixed-use and multifamily developments on religious owned land and prohibits a city's ability to regulate the development in certain ways. This bill applies to all cities. TML provided [written testimony](#). Committee substitute voted from Senate Local Government.

S.B. 1024 (Bettencourt), would create a five-year waiting period for authorizing a certificate of obligation and tax anticipation note if a bond proposition to authorize bonds for the same purpose failed to be approved by the voters. Voted from Senate Local Government.

S.B. 1025 (Bettencourt), would require a ballot proposition that increases taxes to include the statement "THIS IS A TAX INCREASE." Voted from Senate Local Government.

S.B. 1252 (Schwertner), prohibits a city from regulating the installation or inspection of a residential energy backup system. Left pending in Senate Business and Commerce.