



CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN
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AGENDA – REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, December 2, 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: International Volunteer Day Proclamation

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:

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a. Meeting Minutes for Regular BOA – November 18, 2025

7. Discussion and/or Possible Action: Ordinance/resolution for a written investment policy, required by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

8. Discussion – Comprehensive Plan Town Hall Meetings

a. Mini-survey results

b. Overall community response

9. Discussion – Water Infrastructure Bond

10. Review assignments for the Planning and Zoning Commission

a. Review of Current Planning and Zoning Assignments

b. The next regular P&Z meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

c. Comprehensive Plan Town Hall #4 is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Thursday, January 22, 2026.

11. Legislative Updates
12. Drainage Issues
 - a. Shady Acres Drainage Project
13. Review Water System
 - a. Maintenance and Operations Issues
 - b. Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District
 - i. Rules Update
 - ii. Pumping Permit
 - iii. Drought Status – Stage 2
 - iv. 10% Water Reduction Goal
14. Review Solid Waste Services
15. Mayor's Report
16. Aldermen Comments
17. City Staff Comments
 - a. City Administrator
 - b. City Secretary

Next Regular meeting – Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Highland Haven Community Center

Adjournment.

Posted: November 24, 2025

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Sarah Collard

Sarah Collard, City Secretary



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HIGHLAND HAVEN INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER DAY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the United Nations established December 5th as International Volunteer Day to recognize and celebrate the power of volunteerism and its vital contribution to achieving social, economic, and environmental progress locally and globally; and

WHEREAS, volunteers are the heart of our communities, dedicating their time, talent, and energy to support countless causes, from assisting neighbors in need, to protecting our environment, to building a more resilient society; and

WHEREAS, the spirit of volunteerism embodies values of solidarity, compassion, and selflessness, inspiring all citizens to act as agents of change and participate in building a more just and sustainable future for everyone; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the immense and invaluable impact volunteers make on our lives and community, it is fitting and important that we honor their service and commitment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Highland Haven Board of Aldermen do hereby proclaim December 5, 2025, as **International Volunteer Day** in the City of Highland Haven.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Highland Haven Board of Aldermen joins in this celebration by recognizing the volunteers in our midst and by considering how they can contribute their time and skills to make a difference. Let us work together to strengthen our communities through service and empower those who give so freely of themselves.

Adopted this 2nd of December 2025.

SIGNED:

Olan Kelley
Mayor, City of Highland Haven





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MINUTES – REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

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TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Highland Haven Community Center

1. Open Meeting and Establish Quorum/Roll Call– **Mayor Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 – **Mayor Kelley led the Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. Recognize Visitors – **Judy Kelley, Peter Mackay, Sally Mackay, Terry Chase, Mary Chase, Mark Julian.**
4. Announcements, Proclamations, or Presentations - **None**
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.)

Terry Chase inquired about the overgrown vegetation on Blackbird and who will trim it back. Terry Nuss responded that the City will follow up with Camp Champions again.

ACTION ITEMS

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- Meeting Minutes for Regular BOA – October 20, 2025
- Meeting Minutes for Special BOA – November 13, 2025
- Sales Tax Report – October 2025
- Water Usage Report – October 2025
- Financials – October 2025

Terry Nuss moved to accept the Consent Items, seconded by Terry Smith.

Vote: 4-0

7. **Discussion and/or Possible Action** – Ballot and Resolution of Votes Cast to Elect Directors for the Burnet Central Appraisal District for the Year 2026-27.

Terry Smith moved to cast 5 votes for Terry Nuss and 4 votes for Bruce Jones, seconded by Don Hagans.

Vote: 4-0

8. **Discussion and/or Possible Action** – Discuss and possibly approve 2025 Interlocal Agreement with Burnet County.
Lynn Smith moved to approve the 2025 Interlocal Agreement with Burnet County; Terry Nuss seconded the motion.
Vote: 4-0
9. **Discussion and/or Possible Action** – Consider purchase of easement for “remnant property” located at Willow and Deer Run for existing 10” water main.
Terry Smith made a motion for the City to pursue purchasing the remnant property and bring it back for final approval if there is a price to settle on. Lynn Smith seconded the motion.
Vote: 4-0
10. **Discussion and/or Possible Action** – Discuss and possibly approve the Letter of engagement for Neffendorf & Blocker, P.C. for Fiscal Year 2025 Audit.
Lynn Smith moved to approve the Letter of Engagement for Neffendorf & Blocker, P.C. for the Fiscal Year 2025 Audit, seconded by Terry Nuss.
Vote: 4-0
11. **Discussion and/or Possible Action** – December meeting and holiday schedule
- a. Meeting schedule – Board of Aldermen
Lynn Smith made a motion to keep the Dec. 2 and Dec. 16 Board of Aldermen meetings, seconded by Don Hagans.
Vote: 4-0
 - b. Holiday schedule – City Offices
Terry Smith moved to approve as presented the days of 12/29/25-12/31/25 and 1/2/26 for city offices to be closed but staff cycle in and out/check e-mail. Terry Nuss seconded the motion.
Vote: 4-0

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

12. Discussion - Ordinance/resolution for a written investment policy, required by the Texas Public Funds Investment Act.
13. Discussion – Water Infrastructure Bond
- a. Bond Timeline
14. Marble Falls Area EMS End of Fiscal Year Report
15. Review assignments for the Planning and Zoning Commission
- a. Review of Current Planning and Zoning Assignments
 - b. The next regular P&Z meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2025, at 6:00 pm.
 - c. Comprehensive Plan Town Hall #3 is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Thursday, November 20, 2025.
16. Legislative Updates
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- a. Maintenance and Operations Issues
- b. Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District
 - i. Pumping Permit
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22. City Staff Comments

- a. City Administrator
- b. City Secretary

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Terry Nuss made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Terry Smith.

Vote: 4-0

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Olan Kelley, Mayor

Sarah Collard, City Secretary



DRAFT CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN INVESTMENT POLICY

Effective Date: [month] [day], [year]

Approved by: Board of Aldermen, Resolution/Ordinance No. [XX-2025]

Annual Review Date: October 1 of each fiscal year

Investment Officer: City Administrator, Andy Adams

I. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

This Investment Policy (the "Policy") is adopted pursuant to the Public Funds Investment Act (PFIA), Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, to govern the investment of all public funds of the City of Highland Haven, Texas (the "City"), a Type A general-law municipality. The Policy ensures that all investments prioritize the preservation of capital, liquidity, and yield, while promoting diversification and compliance with state law. It applies to all funds under the City's control, including but not limited to the General Fund, Water Fund, Solid Waste Fund, and any bond or reserve accounts.

The Policy will be reviewed and approved annually by the Board of Aldermen. Any material changes require adoption by ordinance or resolution. The City Administrator is designated as the Investment Officer, responsible for implementing this Policy and completing PFIA-required training annually (at least once every two years for the officer and biennially for the governing body).

II. OBJECTIVES

In order of priority, the City's investment objectives are:

1. **Safety of Principal:** Investments shall preserve capital and avoid undue risk.
2. **Liquidity:** Funds must be available when needed for operations, debt service, or emergencies.
3. **Yield:** Investments shall seek competitive market rates consistent with the above objectives.
4. **Diversification:** The portfolio shall mitigate risks through diversification by type, issuer, and maturity.
5. **Compliance and Transparency:** All activities shall adhere to PFIA, Texas Local Government Code, and this Policy, with full disclosure to the Board.

III. SCOPE

This Policy applies to all City public funds, including operating, reserve, and investment accounts (e.g., TexPool holdings). Excluded are pass-through funds held in a custodial capacity (e.g., grant funds with restrictions prohibiting investment).

IV. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS

The City is authorized to invest in the following instruments, as permitted by PFIA §2256.004 (updated as of October 2025). Investments must be investment-grade (minimum BBB/Baa or equivalent) and purchased at par or below.

Authorized Investment	Maximum Maturity	Maximum % of Portfolio	Minimum Rating	Notes
Obligations of the U.S. Government or Agencies (e.g., Treasury bills, notes)	3 years from date of purchase	100%	N/A	Fully collateralized by U.S. full faith and credit.
Direct Obligations of Texas or Its Agencies (e.g., Texas Treasury notes)	2 years	100%	N/A	Backed by the State of Texas.
Fully Collateralized Certificates of Deposit (FDIC-insured banks)	1 year	25% per issuer	N/A	Collateralized at 102% of market value; daily mark-to-market.
Secured Repurchase Agreements (backed by U.S./Texas obligations)	7 days (overnight preferred)	50%	N/A	Third-party custody; collateral at 102%.
Local Government Investment Pools (e.g., TexPool, TexSTAR)	N/A (daily liquidity)	100%	AAAm (or equivalent)	Rated by S&P/Moody's; complies with SEC Rule 2a-7.
Money Market Mutual Funds (SEC-registered, no-load)	N/A	50%	AAAm	Invested in short-term, high-quality securities.
Bankers' Acceptances	6 months	15%	A-1/P-1	Issued by domestic banks.
Commercial Paper	270 days	15%	A-1/P-1 (short-term)	Non-subordinated; max 10% per issuer.
Corporate Bonds/Debentures	5 years	25%	A (long-term)	Max 5% per issuer.
No-Load Mutual Funds (investing in authorized types)	N/A	50%	AAAm	Prospectus review required annually.

- **Prohibitions:** No derivatives, structured notes, inverse floaters, or investments with principal at risk (e.g., mortgage-backed securities beyond U.S. agencies). No investments exceeding 30% of issuer's outstanding obligations.

V. INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND METHODS

A. Portfolio Management

- **Diversification:** No more than 25% of the portfolio in any single issuer (except U.S./Texas obligations or pools). Limit sector exposure (e.g., max 20% financials).
- **Maturity Limits:** Individual securities ≤ 2 years (3 years for U.S. obligations); weighted average maturity (WAM) ≤ 1 year; weighted average life (WAL) ≤ 3 years.
- **Liquidity:** At least 50% of the portfolio in overnight or ≤ 90 -day maturities to meet cash flow needs.

B. Selection Process

- **Competitive Bidding:** For CDs and repurchase agreements, solicit bids from at least three qualified providers (e.g., via phone/email; document for audit).
- **Broker/Dealer Selection:** Maintain a pre-qualified list of 5–10 brokers (e.g., those registered with the SEC, no felony convictions). Annual review; prioritize those with municipal experience.
- **Pools:** Default to TexPool (or similar AAAM-rated pools) for simplicity and daily liquidity.

C. Safekeeping and Custody

- All securities held in third-party safekeeping (e.g., via TexPool or bank custodian). No bearer form. Monthly confirmations reconciled by staff.

VI. INVESTMENT OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Investment Officer (City Administrator) shall:

- Execute all transactions in compliance with this Policy.
- Complete annual PFIA training (e.g., via Texas Municipal League).
- Monitor market conditions, credit ratings, and portfolio performance.
- Ensure diversification and maturity limits are maintained.

VII. REPORTING AND REVIEW

A. Quarterly Reports

The Investment Officer shall provide the Board a written report within 30 days of each quarter-end, including:

- Portfolio inventory (par value, cost, market value).
- Income earned, realized/unrealized gains/losses.
- Compliance certification (e.g., "All investments conform to Policy").
- Weighted average yield, WAM/WAL, and maturity distribution.

B. Annual Review

- The Board shall review and approve the Policy annually (by October 1).
- Submit updates to brokers/pools.
- Conduct an independent audit of investments in the annual CAFR (GASB-compliant).

C. Exceptions

Any deviation requires prior Board approval and documentation of rationale.

VIII. TRAINING AND CONFLICTS

- **Training:** Investment Officer: Annual; Governing Body/Delegates: Biennial.
- **Conflicts:** Disclose any personal financial interests; no self-dealing (PFIA §2256.020).

IX. EMERGENCY PROVISIONS

In crises (e.g., market disruption), the Investment Officer may liquidate holdings for liquidity, with immediate Board notification.

X. AMENDMENTS

This Policy may be amended by majority vote of the Board via ordinance or resolution.

Adopted this [day] day of [month], [year].

Joseph Adams, Investment Officer

Approved by the Board of Aldermen:

Olan Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Collard, City Secretary

Townhall #3 Mini Survey

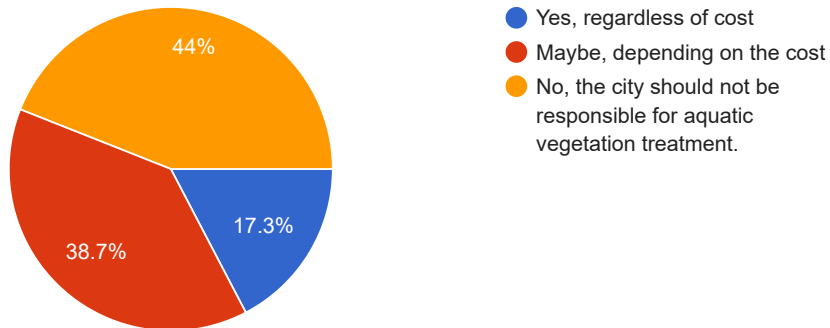
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Should the city be responsible for aquatic vegetation treatment along the lake and channels within city limits?

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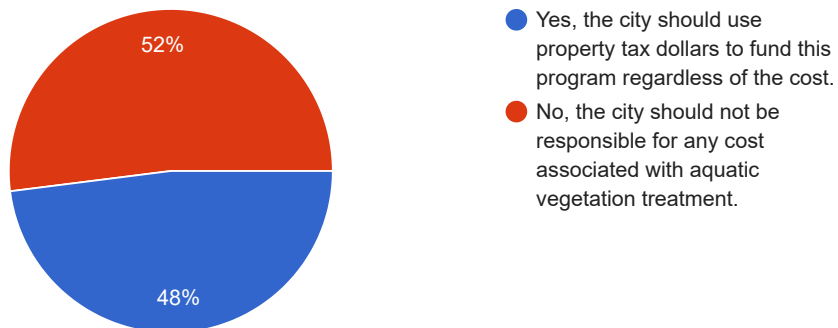
75 responses



If the city should be responsible for aquatic vegetation treatment along the lake and channels within city limits, should Highland Haven property taxes be used to fund this?

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75 responses



Please feel free to leave any comments, or suggestions here about what the City's role in managing aquatic vegetation should be. Comments may be discussed during the Townhall scheduled for November 20, 2025.

31 responses

Individual treatment will never be very effective and at best lead to spotty results. Managing at the community level is the only effective and most efficient way to handle the problem.

At most, the City should consider vegetation management at the Dove Park boat ramp and swim area. These are public spaces, open and accessible to all HH residents. While technically accessible from the water, the real beneficiaries along the channels are those property owners. City funds sourced from the whole of HH should not be used to specifically benefit a subset of HH.

As far as how this is funded for covering cost of aquatic vegetation removal/control, I would be OK with it on my taxes or part of expenses for an HOA, but everyone needs to participate or at least everyone with some form of waterfront has to participate or it does no good.

The primary reason people live in a lakeside community is because of their access to the lake so it is in the community's best interest to maintain a healthy lake for all that live here.

What is LCRA's responsibility on the matter?

The city could maybe get cheaper price if covering large area and as a widow i would be happy to pay my part

It will be much cheaper than each person as some elect not to participate

The role of the City should be as an advocate encouraging LCRA to do ore to control the Lakes

The removal of aquatic plants should be done for all to be effective

I'm not opposed to the City playing some role in managing aquatic vegetation and would like City management to collaborate with the HHPOA Board and the Ladie's Club Officers to explore opportunities for accomplishing the task.

An effective method needs to be identified and maybe something to bring up to LCRA/TPWD to rid the lake of milfoil and accumulated muck.

People who don't live on the water do not need the burden of aquatic vegetation. As long as people fertilize and nitrogen spills into the water, it will not improve.

While it would be nice to have a cohesive approach to aquatic vegetation management, I don't feel the city should be responsible for areas other than shared community areas, such as Dove Park, which has the greatest impact on the majority of residents.

I feel a better outcome at a better price would occur if the city handled the problem. I know there will be concerns over using tax money. I'm not sure how to address that. We are having to pay individually now for a job that is not working very well, and we have some residents



choosing to not help financially. Maybe an annual fee for everyone? It would be nice to be able to swim in our canals.

Owners, incl Nobles and SA, with water front property should pitch in money and volunteer to spread whatever is used to get rid of the vegetation.

A widespread issue like this is too much for individual treatment and requires a coordinated civic response.

The city doesn't own the water nor any property attached to the water. It's baffling this is even in a survey. Let the individual property owners deal with it. Quit wasting time and tax dollars on issues that don't concern the city.

One exception to above questions: The city could focus on managing aquatic vegetation around Dove Park only, where the main boat ramp, dock, covered pavilion, and swimming area is. "...regardless of cost" is never a good idea, though. $2+2=4$, not 5, and going into debt for things we want but can do without when needed is not good for any city.

It would be nice if the City would support groups of residents that want to treat their areas of the waterfront get approvals and rebates offered by LCRA

Good water quality of Lake LBJ in the lakeshore areas and channels is paramount to all citizens of Highland Haven, whether you have waterfront property or your property is not on the water. Pristine waters will help property values for everyone. Inland residences and/or their guests who use boat ramps, enjoy swimming or fishing, or like to use various other water toys and vessels for recreation benefit from the community maintaining vegetation-free waterways and shorelines. Benefits are obvious to residences with waterfront properties, but these people would pay higher taxes. A city-wide contract with a single remediation vendor would result in a big savings and discounts compared to individuals having to contract a service on their own. If the city can't do this, would the POA be willing to take this on by establishing a small POA fee also containing extra money for park development and maintenance?

We should consider the time and priorities of our valued City staff as a finite resource also.

LCRA provides rebates to private property owners. I did not purchase waterfront property specifically due to the added cost.

Even though those residents living inland, do not have direct access to the lake, they still use that amenity for fishing and boating. Therefore, I think it is our best interest to maintain the shorelines.

I would argue aquatic vegetation issues could be managed by LCRA. Having said this I'm not certain of the regulations, but ultimately they seem to manage the lake and should be responsible for keeping it running and clean. Property holders simply can not afford to do it all. Just thinking out loud.

Question #2 is difficult to answer without having a sense of the scope of a plan and associated cost. Certainly there are overall cost benefits to having a 'regular maintenance plan' for the waterfront (channels and parks) rather than paying individually for such services. A benefits analysis might be helpful to understand how tax dollars would benefit a resident, even if you are not a waterfront owner, swimmer, boater, kayaker, fisherman, etc. :) Some might ask why there couldn't be a plan for only those who want to opt in, but the structure of the channels



in particular dictates that all must participate. Otherwise someone who chooses not to participate would still benefit from being a resident along a channel that is getting cleaned by a group of other people. Somewhat of an all or nothing scenario to be fair. While other neighborhood organizations might be able to manage such a process, they do not have any recourse for a resident who does not pay as they are supposed to, whereas the city would.

As a property owner on the water, it would be lovely to have the city remove the weeds. That said, I would be really upset as a property owner off the water to have to pay for that. I do not see how the city could justify paying for any weed remediation other than maybe Dove Park as that area is used by many HH citizens.

The proximity to the lake is a key component of the HH lifestyle. The city should assist in keeping the main waterways adjacent to the city clear and useable. However property owners need to play a role is keeping vegetation in check.

This survey was completed on behalf of Charles Rudolph, he doesn't have email.

There should be a cap amt that the city will fund aquatic management so HH does not have an unlimited budget

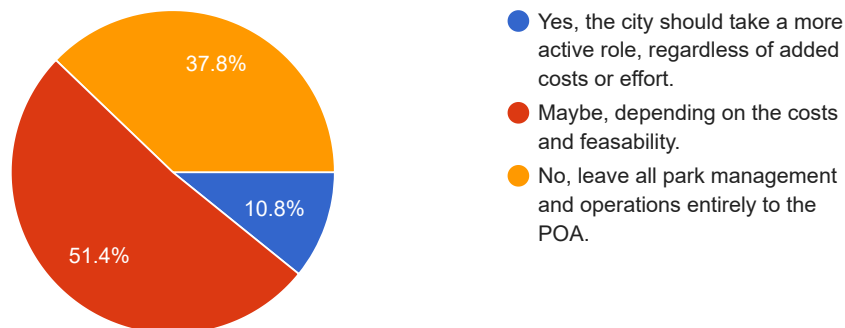
As a water property owner we pay more for lake frontage and feel some of those extra tax dollars could go towards this effort. That said, and understanding the costs to manage the requirements and projects the city undertakes, it would seem reasonable for an extra tax levy to mitigate the aquatic vegetation issue

This survey was completed on behalf of Charlie Fenner. He does not have an email.

Parks in Highland Haven are owned and maintained by the POA. Should the city play a greater role in supporting or expanding park amenities (e.g., through partnerships, grants, or advocacy)?

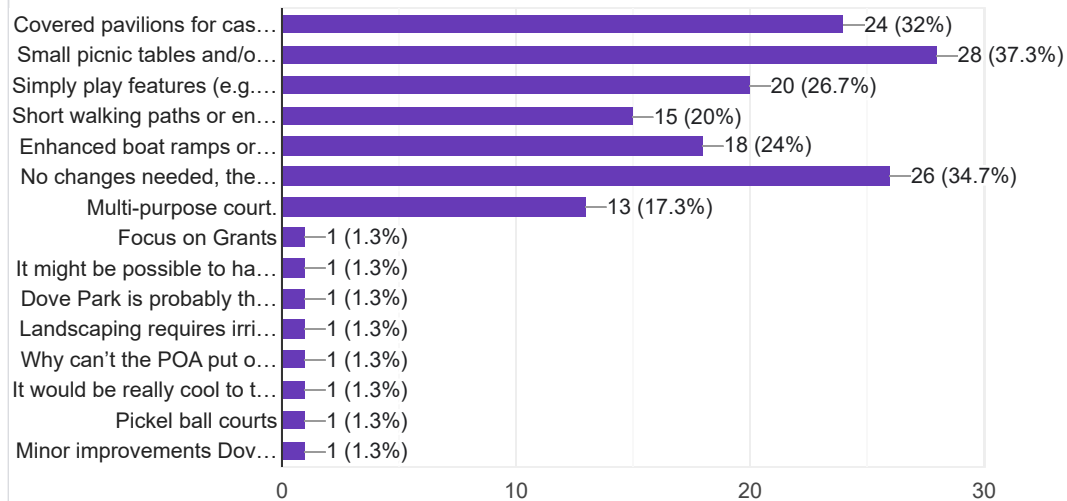
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74 responses



Our parks are small (roughly the size of 1-3 residential lots), so improvements would need to be modest and space-appropriate. What types of amenities would you most like to see added to better serve residents (select all that apply)?

75 responses



Please feel free to leave any comments, or suggestions here about what the City's role with the Parks should be. Comments may be discussed during the Townhall scheduled for November 20, 2025.

19 responses

Enhanced landscaping would go a long way toward getting more use at the parks. Even more so if combined w/ seating and shade covers. As is, the parks are not attractive. Small fitness stations would be a great add too. Many residents of HH walk or run or ride consistently: such additions would further enhance the appeal and use of the parks.

Small covered pavilion with small picnic table

If there are too many additions to the park such as playscapes there is more liability and there will have to be a governing body such as a parks and recreation committee to tend to it.

I would like to see the City collaborate with the HHPOA Board to explore projects for parks development and funding opportunities for financing them.

I'm not sure what insurance might be required if playground equipment or a court of some kind is developed. I do think the city and the POA could accomplish more if they worked together.(e.g., through partnerships, grants, or advocacy).All three methods and maybe more. :)

I know the ladies club asked about a pavilion between community center and city hall. I think insurance and water lines were the concerns at that time.

The city does not own or manage the parks. Again why is this a survey? What's funny is the POA does more for me as a property owner than the city and I'm not forced to pay them like I am city property taxes.

If there is excess monies in the city budget, then I wouldn't be opposed to the city helping the POA fund management of aquatic vegetation at the boat ramps in the parks if needed, but I hesitate to even suggest it because how often are "excess monies" available in government budgets? Basic services should be well managed first and foremost and tax rates kept as low as possible. I am opposed to the city taking on the financial responsibility of aquatic vegetation on a consistent basis except for the Dove Park area. However, if grants are out there that the POA can only access with the support or advocacy from the city, then, by all means, the city should do so.

With two little ones id really like to have a park nearby to go walk down to and take them to the playgrounds. Just something simple so i dont have to drive to granite shoals or marble falls

Check intoEnou fiber optic Internet, it is in Kingsland and it is in Marble Falls.

I don't think the city should open up to anymore liability than it currently has.

The City is trying to do too much. We are a very small neighborhood and can't afford city amenities like Granite Shoals or Burnet. Please keep taxes in check.

For years we've had discussions and surveys about what we want to do with the parks, but the way we are currently handling it, nothing will ever happen due to lack of funding. Volunteerism



is extremely low in the community and services and supplies cost more money now compared to costs when the parks were developed. The POA needs new avenues to create revenues, whether it be grants, POA Fees, or fund drives, or a combination of these. As a citizen of Highland Haven who wants the city to look beautiful and see our parks better utilized, I am willing to pay my reasonable and fair share.

We should consider the time and priorities of our value City staff as a finite resource also.

I liked the idea of possibly having swing sets or other play equipment but then my concern is the issue of children's accidents and who is responsible for that. Also, the upkeep on that equipment is continuous. And would the POA want to be responsible for all of that.

I would really like to see improvement at all the parks. Right now they look like vacant, unattended land. Considering them parks is definitely a stretch. Parks offer enrichment and beauty and I don't see a lot of that in these existing areas. With regards to the aquatic vegetation the city or county should be assisting with this.

I have no argument against park improvements. But even adding a picnic table increases costs the POA incurs in lawn maintenance. The POA is not in a good position to upgrade parks without a good deal of financial community support.

Minimal updates are needed at this time. While pavilions and fitness or play equipment sound like a nice idea, I believe they will see sparse use and not be worth the investment.

City taxes shouldn't be utilized to pay for park improvements. Is there any chance the city could partner with the POA for grants where the city would not have a financial role?

We feel the city has enough to del with and should not be involved with the parks

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Shady Acres Water Mains
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