

**MINUTES OF THE
HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Scheduled Meeting**

July 8, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: *The Mayor will call the meeting to order, declare a quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act.*

Mayor Pace called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

Council members present were Stephen Strong, Greg Jackson, Melissa Morton, and Gina Juarez, Michael Searcy was not able to attend.

Staff members present were City Manager Jay Abercrombie, City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson, Chief of Police Chad Taylor, Director of Public Services Kirk Kimbrell, Director of Utilities Randy Boyd, Director of Utility Infrastructure and Delivery David Hortman, Finance Director Karen Arnall, Animal Center Director Charissa Pool, Civic Center Manager Stephanie Kimbrell, Wes Breitenberg Health Inspector/Code Enforcement, Executive Leadership Assistant/HR Specialist Hillary Faulkner, and Communications and Marketing Coordinator Phedra Johnson.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Reggie Weatherston gave the invocation, Council Member Greg Jackson led the Pledges.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments.

PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy White a speaker for the Legislative Energy Action Foundation, spoke about the 391 Commission. Under the law, a 391 Commission is purposed with making studies and plans to guide the unified, far-reaching development of a region, eliminate duplication, and promote economy and efficiency in the coordinated development of a region. It can, if authorized, participate in implementing plans for the safety and concerns of your neighborhoods by Ordinance.

Mayor Henry Pace thanked everyone involved with the Freedom Fest and the citizens for coming to the event.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of possible action upon the minutes of the Council meeting from June 17, 2025. (Jimerson)
2. Consideration possible action upon the HEDCO financials for the month of May 2025.

Council Member Gina Juarez made a motion to approve the consent agenda, duly seconded by Council Member Melissa Morton. The vote was unanimous.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – REGULAR SESSION

3. Consideration and possible action upon the second reading Ordinance 2025-05-01 rezoning a property from an R1 Zone to a PD zone located at 900 E. Main Street. (Breitenberg)
Council Member Stephen Strong made a motion approving Ordinance 2025-05-01 Zoning change, duly seconded by Council Member Gina Juarez. The vote was unanimous.
4. Consideration and possible action upon the second reading of Ordinance 2025-06-01 changing the Zoning from Low Intensity Industrial to Institutional for an application submitted by the City of Henderson to amend the zoning map on property owned by the Henderson Soccer Association located on FM 782. (Breitenberg)
Council had no questions or comments on the first reading of Ordinance 2025-06-01.
5. Consideration and possible action calling for Regularly Scheduled Council meetings to be held on August 7th, September 2nd and September 9th, 2025. (Jimerson/Abercrombie)

Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to approve adding three regular scheduled Council meetings in order to meet all the deadlines for the tax rate and budget, duly seconded by Council Member Gina Juarez. The vote was unanimous.

6. Consideration and possible action upon calling for two public hearings on the 2025-2026 proposed budget and proposed tax rate to be held on August 19th and September 2nd, 2025. (Jimerson/Abercrombie)

Council Member Gina Juarez made a motion to approve two public hearings on the tax rate and budget, duly seconded by Council Member Greg Jackson. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

7. The City Council may deliberate and make inquiry into any item listed in the Departmental Reports.

A. City Manager

B. Fire Department

C. Police Department

D. Animal Center

E. Community Development

F. Public Services/Parks and Recreation Department

G. Public Utilities

H. Finance Department

Mayor Henry Pace asked the Finance Director, Karen Arnall, to give a verbal report on the finances. Karen started with:

- The water, sewer and garbage billing report explains how much is brought in from these sales on a monthly basis.
- The Hotel Motel Tax (HOT) supports the Tourism Department
- 17 bank accounts to reconcile
- Investment Summary Report reflects the reconciliation of all bank accounts
- Sales tax is one of the larger amounts collected for the general account. The council had no questions about the reports explained by Karen.

I. City Secretary

J. Communications and Marketing

K. HEDCO

Sales Tax Revenue for May 2025

L. Director of Operations Departmental Reports below.

Civic Center

Main Street/Tourism

Municipal Court

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Board of Adjustments Minutes. There were no items to discuss. The meeting was canceled.

Planning and Zoning Minutes here were no items to discuss. The meeting was canceled.

Cemetery Quarterly Board Meeting

Main Street Meeting Minutes

Preservation Minutes

Council had no questions or comments on the Board meeting minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

REGULAR SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT

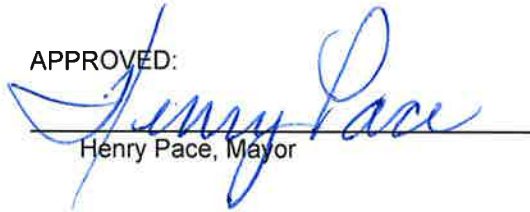
8. Adjourn

Council Member Melissa Morton made a motion to adjourn at 6:39 p.m., duly seconded by Council Member Gina Juarez. The vote was unanimous.

ATTEST:


Cheryl Jimerson, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Pace, Mayor