

City of Hale Center – Regular City Council Meeting Agenda
LeMond Community Center, 110 E Stevenson, Hale Center, TX 79041
6:00 P.M. – Tuesday – February 11, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME GUESTS / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION

B. PUBLIC COMMENT: An opportunity for the public to address the City Council on any subject, not on the Agenda, in accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act, City Council may not discuss issues or make any decision at this time. Issues raised may refer to City staff for research and possible future action.

C. CONSENT AGENDA: Approve minutes for Regular Council Meeting 1/14/2025. Approve January monthly department report(s): Municipal Court / Hale Center EMS / Hale Center EDC / Financial Reports / Hale Center Vol Fire Dept - verbal presentation by W.H. Johnson

D. REGULAR AGENDA

- 1) Placement of four way stop sign intersection at Avenue I and 6th Street – Troy McGann
- 2) Consider and discuss possible sale of real property
- 3) Consider and approve contract with Hale County for May 3, 2025, City General Election
- 4) Review and approve annual Racial Profiling Report – Chief Richardson
- 5) Consider and approve roll over of unused vacation days – Chief Richardson
- 6) Consider and approve police vehicle take home policy
- 7) Consider and approve Depository Contract for continuation with First United Bank
- 8) Discuss with possible action – removal of water charge from billing when a customer's water has been cut off for non-payment
- 9) City Manager Administrative Report
 - a. Current projects
- 10) Items to be placed on City Council meeting agenda – March 11, 2025

E. ADJOURNMENT

POSTED: 2/7/25 TIME: 945A

ATTEST

Patricia Laguerre, TRMC, CPM

City of Hale Center Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Attendance: Mayor W.H. Johnson, Councilmembers: Mayor Pro-Tem Mario Martinez, Karen Boyce, Janet Peoples, Junior Garcia, Julio De La Garza; Others Present: City Managers, Michael Neighbors, Mike Cypert; City Secretary, Patricia Isaguirre; Public Works Director, Johnny Ruiz; Chief of Police, Brandon Richardson; City Attorney, Lanny Voss

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Johnson, the invocation given by City Secretary Isaguirre.

No one was present for Public Comment.

Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez made a motion, Councilperson Boyce seconded to approve Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez made a motion, Councilperson Boyce seconded to approve Resolution 20250114A – Resolution of the City of Hale Center authorizing signatures for bank checking account(s) and certificates of deposit. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez made a motion, Councilperson Peoples seconded to approve Ordering the General Election on May 3, 2025, for the purpose of electing the positions of three (3) councilmembers to the Hale Center City Council, to hold office for a period of two (2) years; Designating locations of polling places; designating runoff dates; ordering notices of election to be given as prescribed by law in connection with such election. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez made a motion, Councilperson Garcia seconded to approve Resolution 20250114B Joint Election Resolution - Joint Election between City of Hale Center, Texas and Hale Center Independent School District. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Boyce made a motion, Councilperson Peoples seconded to approve Joint Election Agreement between City of Hale Center, Texas and Hale Center Independent School District. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Boyce made a motion, Mayor Pro-Tem Martinez seconded approve police department vehicle usage to/from Plainview for employing Officer Benavides. City Attorney Voss recommended Chief Richardson provide a written policy statement which shall be attached to the motion to have a written form of this policy on file. Motion carried unanimously.

City Manager Cypert presented Administrative Report: Caudle Park list of items needing completion, handrails need welding and paint/horseshoe pit/gaga ball ring/install toilet seats/a final inspection with a deadline in April. City Manager Neighbors will be looking for a grant to complete the construction of a bridge that will cover the entire lake. Have received traffic signs informing no truck jake brake usage will be enforced, need TXDOT to install. City Manager Cypert explained the city cannot apply for a community development block grant in 2025. The city is ineligible because of the supply chain issues that

affected delivery of the generator. The generator that had been ordered for the grant project was defective and had to be sent back, forcing the city to request an extension which caused non-compliance with the grant guidelines. The city may apply in 2026 for the continued improvement of the water system in 2027. City Manager Neighbors explained he should close out the Criminal Justice Department CJD grant in February for the body shields and there is not a city match requirement.

Items to be considered for placement on the City Council agenda for February 11, 2025:
Chief Richardson - written statement for vehicle use to/from Plainview.

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Signed this 11th day of February 2025.

W.H. Johnson, Mayor

Patricia Isaguirre, City Secretary, TRMC, CPM

City of Hale Center
Municipal Court Council Report
From 1/1/2025 to 1/31/2025

Violations by Type

Traffic	Penal	City Ordinance	Parking	Other	Total
0	0	0	0	0	0

Financial

State Fees	Court Costs	Fines	Tech Fund	Building Security	Total
\$731.87	\$994.96	\$1,833.24	\$34.40	\$32.62	\$3,627.09

Warrants

Issued	Served	Closed	Total
0	0	3	3

FTAs/VPTAs

FTAS	VPTAS	Total
0	0	0

Dispositions

Paid	Non-Cash Credit	Dismissed	Driver Safety	Deferred	Total
11	0	0	1	0	12

Trials & Hearings

Jury	Bench	Appeal	Total
0	0	0	0

Omni/Scofflaw/Collection

Omni	Scofflaw	Collections	Total
22	0	22	44

HCEMS MONTHLY BUDGET

JANRUARY 2025

Vista Bank beginning balance: 9,318.52

Vista Bank ending balance: 5,405.25

FIXED INCOME	
Description	Amount
City of Hale Center Monthly Stipend	7,250.00
City of Petersburg Monthly Stipend	2,000.00
Hale County Yearly Advance	12,000.00
Hale County Monthly Stipend	5,000.00
Total	26,250.00

OTHER INCOME	
Description	Amount
Patient Insurance Paid	465.74
Monthly auto drafted donation	45.00
Total	510.74

FIXED EXPENSES	
Description	Amount
Vexus Internet	175.30
Vista 30,000 Loan	688.88
Intuit (quickbooks)	375.97
Goen&Goen Insurance	4,213.80
Total	5,453.95

OTHER EXPENSES	
Description	Amount
Trucks Gas/ Maintenance	483.93
Payroll	17,652.01
Payroll Taxes	4,214.36
Total	22,350.30

DEBT PAYMENTS	
Description	Amount
LKRSG	1,000.00
Total	1,000.00

DEBT as of 8/25/2024	
Description	Amount
LKRSG (CPA)	7,390.00
IRS	19,153.44
Life- Assist	102.20
30,000 Vista Loan	9,344.45
DaTa Billing (medical billing agency)	unknown
Total	35,990.09

Hale Center EMS Association

January 2025 Run Report

28- Total calls

17- Within Hale Center City Limits

06- Petersburg

05- County Area

18- Billable Runs

03- Transfer to another service

03- No Transport

03- Lift Assist

01- Canceled

Transports / Transfers

10- Covenant Medical Center Plainview

06- University Medical Center

02- Covenant Medical Center Lubbock

03- 211 (transfer to Abernathy UMC EMS)

Ambulance Service of Hale Center
Balance Sheet
As of January 31, 2025

	Jan 31, 25
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
aGeneral Operating	5,608.95
Fund Raiser Acct	1,258.53
Petty Cash	81.16
Total Checking/Savings	6,948.64
Total Current Assets	6,948.64
Fixed Assets	
Furniture and Equipment	
Amb Equipment	27,754.00
Total Furniture and Equipment	27,754.00
Vehicles	
3901 - 2010 Chevy Ambulance	57,491.00
3905 2016 Silverado Ambulance	47,000.00
Total Vehicles	104,491.00
Total Fixed Assets	132,245.00
TOTAL ASSETS	139,193.64
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	-1,196.75
Total Accounts Payable	-1,196.75
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	170,962.04
Total Other Current Liabilities	170,962.04
Total Current Liabilities	169,765.29
Total Liabilities	169,765.29
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	112,135.13
Unrestricted Net Assets	-138,636.78
Net Income	-4,070.00
Total Equity	-30,571.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	139,193.64

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02/03/25
Cash Basis

Ambulance Service of Hale Center
Profit & Loss
January 2025

	Jan 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
City Supplement	7,250.00
County Supplement	17,000.00
Donations	45.00
Insurance Billing	465.74
Total Income	24,760.74
Gross Profit	24,760.74
Expense	
Accounting	1,000.00
Computer Equipment & Software	48.87
Consulting Services	301.39
EMS License	
Bond / Letter of Credit Fee	500.00
Liability Insurance	3,713.80
Total EMS License	4,213.80
Labor	125.00
Loan Payment	688.88
Medical Supplies/Equipment	
Medical Supplies	1,109.64
Total Medical Supplies/Equipment	1,109.64
Payroll Expenses	19,809.91
Phone, TV & Internet Expenses	175.30
Repairs and Maintenance-Bldg	500.00
Repairs and Maintenance-Equip	75.00
Station Supplies	241.03
Vehicle Expense	
Vehicle Fuel	314.31
Vehicle Maintenance	227.61
Total Vehicle Expense	541.92
Total Expense	28,830.74
Net Ordinary Income	-4,070.00
Net Income	-4,070.00

**CITY OF HALE CENTER
HALE CENTER, TEXAS
MONTHLY REPORT OF BANK BALANCES**

February 1, 2025

Bank Account Balances

(Demand Deposits)

35.59%

Operational Account	0502219	0.05%	\$250,626.77
Back the Blue	7018059	0%	\$786.36
PD Training	7018804	0%	\$3,672.03
Total			\$255,085.16

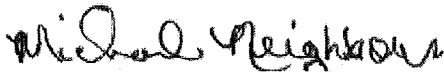
Schedule of Investments

(Time Deposits)

64.41%

Budget Fund	Account	Origin	Date	Current	Length	Original	Current Value
Certificate of Deposit	6324212		11/9/16	4.55%	12 Month	\$150,000.00	\$170,166.02
Certificate of Deposit	6350910		8/23/21	4.80%	12 Month	\$225,000.00	\$139,859.36
Certificate of Deposit	6362447		12/8/22	5.42%	12 Month	\$125,000.00	\$151,672.29
Totals						\$375,000.00	\$461,697.67

Total Cash Accounts	\$255,085.16
Total Investments	\$461,697.67
Total Cash and Investments	\$716,782.83



Michael Neighbors
City Manager

This report complies with the City's Investment Policy and all federal, state, and local statutes, rules, or regulations.

Account	Description	Budget	MTD	YTD	Variance	%
	Operating Revenues					
014007	Ad Valorem Taxes	329,700.00	73,846.46	191,795.27	137,904.73	58.17
014021	Ad Valorem P&I	6,340.00		49.98	6,290.02	.79
014028	Delinquent Ad Valorem Taxes	15,025.00	2,024.29	4,994.27	10,030.73	33.24
014035	Delinquent Ad Valorem P&I	6,910.00	1,284.75	2,197.16	4,712.84	31.80
014042	Sales Tax	110,000.00	7,568.02	32,426.38	77,573.62	29.48
014049	Sales Tax EDC	55,000.00	3,784.02	16,213.21	38,786.79	29.48
014056	Franchise Fees	139,000.00	25,368.87	57,435.63	81,564.37	41.32
014063	Permits	3,600.00	315.00	3,853.20	-253.20	107.03
014070	Food Permits	900.00		225.00	675.00	25.00
014084	Interest Income	350.00	10.85	33.37	316.63	9.53
014098	Animal Control Fees	3,500.00		15.00	3,485.00	.43
014105	Misc. Income	500.00	60.50	67.25	432.75	13.45
014112	Leases and Rents	9,825.00	350.00	850.00	8,975.00	8.65
014119	Sanitation Charges	204,300.00	17,102.26	68,231.25	136,068.75	33.40
014126	Recycle Center Fees	50,500.00	4,225.63	16,866.49	33,633.51	33.40
014133	Recycling Income	500.00		264.00	236.00	52.80
014140	Mosquito Spray Fees	27,780.00	2,293.84	9,168.94	18,611.06	33.01
014147	Sale of Property	2,000.00		3,100.00	-1,100.00	155.00
014154	Municipal Court Fees	57,000.00	2,988.48	11,125.45	45,874.55	19.52
014169	Police Training -TX Comptroller	800.00			800.00	
014175	Transfer From Water Fund	155,151.00			155,151.00	
	Operating Revenues	1,178,681.00	141,222.97	418,911.85	759,769.15	35.54
	Non-Operating Revenues					
014403	Liens Collected			-1,000.00	1,000.00	
014424	24-25 CJD - Trauma Grant	15,712.00		15,712.05	-.05	100.00
014425	24-25 CJD Shield Grant	13,702.00			13,702.00	
014433	24-25 Loan Proceeds - Sweeper	165,000.00		165,000.00		100.00
	Non-Operating Revenues	194,414.00		179,712.05	14,701.95	92.44
	Total Revenue	1,373,095.00	141,222.97	598,623.90	774,471.10	43.60
	TOTAL REVENUE	1,373,095.00	141,222.97	598,623.90	774,471.10	
	Administration					
015007	Appraisal Dist. Exp.	7,150.00		1,786.39	5,363.61	24.98
015014	Accounting	9,188.00			9,188.00	
015021	Attorney Fees	5,200.00		4,012.50	1,187.50	77.16
015028	Legal Publications	700.00	31.00	466.80	233.20	66.69
015035	Codification	2,500.00		1,410.00	1,090.00	56.40
015042	Dues, Registrations & Meetings	7,500.00	2,692.64	6,152.54	1,347.46	82.03
015049	Office Supplies	4,000.00	295.48	1,385.00	2,615.00	34.62
015056	Postage	1,050.00	118.07	118.07	931.93	11.24
015077	Misc. Expense	500.00		18.75	481.25	3.75

Account	Description	Budget	MTD	YTD	Variance	%
	Administration	37,788.00	3,137.19	15,350.05	22,437.95	40.62
	Nondepartmental					
015203	EMS Contract	87,000.00	7,250.00	29,000.00	58,000.00	33.33
015210	Fire Dept. Contract	9,900.00	825.00	3,300.00	6,600.00	33.33
015217	Library Contract	5,400.00	450.00	1,800.00	3,600.00	33.33
015224	Sr. Citizens Contract	12,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00	33.33
015231	Civil Defense	500.00			500.00	
015238	Hale Center EDC	55,000.00	3,784.02	16,213.21	38,786.79	29.48
015245	EMS Bld. Maint.	250.00			250.00	
015252	Fire Bld. Maint.	250.00			250.00	
015266	LeMond Bld. Maint	1,000.00			1,000.00	
015273	Environmental Health Insp.	1,100.00		850.00	250.00	77.27
015280	Building Inspection Fees	525.00	75.00	375.00	150.00	71.43
015287	General Insurance	18,935.00	5,816.25	11,632.50	7,302.50	61.43
015294	Utilities - Gas and Elect.	21,900.00	1,960.60	5,740.56	16,159.44	26.21
015301	Telephone/Internet	5,500.00	399.09	1,587.52	3,912.48	28.86
015308	Software / IT	5,600.00		4,163.17	1,436.83	74.34
	Nondepartmental	224,860.00	21,559.96	78,661.96	146,198.04	34.98
	Legislative					
015378	Dues Registrations & Meetings	13,000.00		5,522.38	7,477.62	42.48
015380	Website Expense	5,500.00			5,500.00	
015392	Council Stipends	2,500.00		2,300.00	200.00	92.00
	Legislative	21,000.00		7,822.38	13,177.62	37.25
	Judicial					
015406	Dues, Registrations & Training	2,000.00			2,000.00	
015413	State Traffic Fees	20,000.00	2,275.73	17,284.30	2,715.70	86.42
015427	IT/Software	3,712.00			3,712.00	
	Judicial	25,712.00	2,275.73	17,284.30	8,427.70	67.22
	Police					
015455	Dues, Registrations & Training	2,000.00		172.45	1,827.55	8.62
015462	Uniforms	2,000.00		336.19	1,663.81	16.81
015476	Software / IT	2,250.00		400.00	1,850.00	17.78
015483	Supplies & Equipment	5,000.00	65.70	871.01	4,128.99	17.42
015490	Vehicle Fuel	22,000.00	486.68	4,832.19	17,167.81	21.96
015497	Vehicle Maint.	4,970.00	333.80	3,094.06	1,875.94	62.25
015504	Misc. Expense	500.00			500.00	
015505	Special Equipment - Tasers	8,000.00		6,719.88	1,280.12	84.00
015512	24-25 CJD - Trauma Grant	15,712.00		15,712.21	-.21	100.00
015513	24-25 CJD Shield Grant	13,702.00			13,702.00	
	Police	76,134.00	886.18	32,137.99	43,996.01	42.21

Account	Description	Budget	MTD	YTD	Variance	%
	Streets					
015539	Engineering - Sealcoat			3,607.80	-3,607.80	
015546	Street & Pothole Repair	71,000.00	6,587.92	8,348.92	62,651.08	11.76
015553	Utilities - Street Lighting	41,000.00	2,999.46	13,632.74	27,367.26	33.25
015559	Equipment Lease Payment - 7 yea	29,830.00			29,830.00	
015560	Capital Outlay Sweeper	165,000.00			165,000.00	
015567	Street Sign Repairs	750.00	492.14	492.14	257.86	65.62
015574	Equipment Maint.	12,000.00			12,000.00	
015581	Weed Control	3,000.00			3,000.00	
015588	Spray License Fees & Training	1,000.00			1,000.00	
	Streets	323,580.00	10,079.52	26,081.60	297,498.40	8.06
	Parks					
015609	City Park Maint.	7,000.00	247.13	459.69	6,540.31	6.57
015616	Special Equipment - Mower	14,000.00			14,000.00	
015620	Park Lighting	3,000.00			3,000.00	
015623	Utilities - Parks	7,900.00	488.82	2,029.89	5,870.11	25.69
	Parks	31,900.00	735.95	2,489.58	29,410.42	7.80
	Sanitation					
015651	Contracted Alley Service	161,425.00	13,451.85	53,807.40	107,617.60	33.33
015652	Contracted Fuel Adj. Fees	2,000.00			2,000.00	
015658	Recycle Center Disposal	8,600.00		1,580.36	7,019.64	18.38
015665	Plainview Recycle Prog.	2,940.00			2,940.00	
015679	Vector Control (Mosq.)	6,000.00			6,000.00	
015686	Animal Control	5,000.00	173.50	651.51	4,348.49	13.03
	Sanitation	185,965.00	13,625.35	56,039.27	129,925.73	30.13
	Non-Budgeted Expense					
	Total Operating Expense	926,939.00	52,299.88	235,867.13	691,071.87	25.45
	Payroll					
017007	Administrative Payroll	112,000.00	19,831.92	46,899.01	65,100.99	41.87
017014	Police Payroll	215,760.00	22,114.80	75,481.08	140,278.92	34.98
017021	Judicial Payroll	20,765.00	2,066.84	6,717.28	14,047.72	32.35
017028	Sanitation Payroll	9,270.00	1,168.20	3,346.20	5,923.80	36.10
017035	TML - Admin	9,239.00	1,637.98	4,076.95	5,162.05	44.13
017042	TML - Police	36,956.00	2,329.09	10,866.62	26,089.38	29.40
017056	TMRS - Admin	7,683.00		1,818.90	5,864.10	23.67
017063	TMRS - Police	14,800.00		3,586.22	11,213.78	24.23
017098	TWC - Unemployment	1,550.00		53.84	1,496.16	3.47
017105	TML Workman's Comp	8,140.00	1,948.50	3,897.00	4,243.00	47.87
017175	HR Expense	500.00		40.00	460.00	8.00
017600	Payroll Tax (FICA)	27,407.00	3,456.41	10,100.34	17,306.66	36.85

Account	Description	Budget	MTD	YTD	Variance	%
	Payroll	464,070.00	54,553.74	166,883.44	297,186.56	35.96
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	Total Payroll Expense	464,070.00	54,553.74	166,883.44	297,186.56	35.96
	* CURRENT YEAR SURPLUS	-17,914.00	34,369.35	195,873.33	-213,787.33	-1,093.41
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NORTH



THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF HALE §

**CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH
HALE COUNTY AND CITY OF HALE CENTER
TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE HALE COUNTY CLERK**

ADMINISTRATION

The Hale County Clerk agrees to order ballots and all pertinent supplies connected therewith for the May 3, 2025 City of Hale Center Uniform Election in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and as outlined in this agreement. City of Hale Center agrees to pay Hale County for supplies (including ballots), services and administrative costs as outlined on this agreement.

LEGAL DOCUMENTS

City of Hale Center will be responsible for the preparation, adoption and publication of all required election orders, resolutions, notices and any other pertinent documents required by their respective governing bodies.

ELECTION JUDGES, CLERKS AND OTHER ELECTION PERSONNEL

City of Hale Center will be responsible for Election Judges, Clerks, and other Election Personnel.

Central Counting will be at the Hale County Courthouse. The Cost of Central Counting Personnel will be the responsibility of City of Hale Center.

A Licensed Peace Officer must be present at the Central Counting Location per Election Code Section 127.1232(a). The hire and cost will be provided by City of Hale Center.

The cost of the rental of all the election equipment will be as follows:

Poll Pads/Controllers are \$150.00 each
Scanners/Duos are \$250.00 each

****Election Programming will vary****

SUPPLIES AND PRINTING

Hale County will arrange for all election supplies (including ballots) and election printing from the supplier. City of Hale Center agrees to reimburse Hale County for total cost.

City of Hale Center shall furnish the Hale County Clerk a list of candidates showing the order in which the candidate names are to appear on the official ballot. The list shall be delivered to the Hale County Clerk as soon as possible after ballot positions have been determined. City of Hale Center shall be responsible for proof reading and approving the ballot as it pertains to that authority's candidates. City of Hale Center will be provided a sample ballot prior to printing of same and must give written approval prior to the final ballot being printed. **IF ANY MISTAKES, ERRORS OR DEFECTS APPEAR ON THE PRINTED SAMPLE BALLOT AFTER WRITTEN APPROVAL WAS GIVEN BY THE CITY OF HALE CENTER, THE CORRECTION(S) OF THE BALLOT SHALL BE AT THEIR EXPENSE.**

ELECTION EXPENSES

City of Hale Center agrees to the costs of administering the May 3, 2025 Uniform Election. A general supervisory fee not to exceed 10% of the total cost of the election shall be assessed as authorized by the Texas Election Code, Sec. 31.100. **THE COST OF ANY SPECIAL REQUEST, WHICH IS NOT AGREED UPON, SHALL BE BORNE BY THE PARTICIPANT.**

The Hale County Clerk will invoice the City of Hale Center.

CONTRACT WITHDRAWAL

The participating authority (City of Hale Center) that certifies their election in accordance with Sections 2.051, 2.052 and 2.053, of the Texas Election Code may withdraw from the Uniform Election contract. Any expenditure incurred prior to withdrawal shall be billed.

ADDITIONAL TERMS OF AGREEMENT:

City of Hale Center shall use the election electronic equipment and supplies described above in a careful, reasonable, and proper manner. City of Hale Center shall take delivery of the equipment from the County Clerk of Hale County, Texas and deliver to its polling locations and return the same to the County Clerk of Hale County, Texas. City of Hale Center shall comply with the County Clerk's instructions and the Manufacture's manual to the use and operation of the said election equipment and any laws, ordinances, and

regulations relating the possession, use, and maintenance of the election equipment and limit its use for the purpose of holding the election described above. *(if applicable)*

Representatives of Hale County, at any time during the election, have the right to enter on the premises where the election is being held for the purpose of inspection of the election equipment and observe its use. *(if applicable)*

City of Hale Center acknowledges that the equipment is technical in nature and shall make no alterations in the election equipment without obtaining prior written permission from the County Clerk of Hale County, Texas. *(if applicable)*

City of Hale Center assumes all risk of lost and/or damage to the election equipment from any cause.

NOTICE

Whenever this agreement requires any consent, approval, notice, request or demand, it must be in writing to be effective and shall be delivered to the Hale County Elections Department as shown below.

Christine Reyna
Hale County Clerk
500 Broadway, Rm 140
Plainview, Texas 79072
Tel: (806)291-5261
Email: reynac@halecounty.org; adeleon@halecounty.org

Christine Reyna-Hale County Clerk

W.H. Johnson- City of Hale Center Mayor

January 10, 2025

City of Hale Center
Attn: City Manager
702 Main Street
P.O. Box 532
Hale Center, Texas 79041

Re: Depository Contract between the City of Hale Center and Vista Bank

Dear Sir or Madam:

Vista Bank hereby provides the following request for consent to assign that certain Depository Contract Agreement by and between the City of Hale Center and Vista Bank dated as of June 1, 2016 (the "Contract"), in connection with Vista Bank's sale of its Hale Center, Texas branch office (the "Branch") to First United Bank, a Texas state banking association headquartered in Dimmit, Texas ("First United Bank").

Vista Bank and First United Bank are parties to that certain Branch Purchase and Assumption Agreement dated as of December 5, 2024 (the "P&A Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other transactions, Vista Bank intends to assign all of its rights, duties and performance obligations under the Contract, and transfer the City of Hale Center's deposit account to First United Bank, which will continue operating the Branch as a banking office (the "Transaction"). It is currently anticipated that the Transaction will be consummated on Friday, February 28, 2025.

Section 6.5 of the Contract provides the Contract may not be assigned by one party without the written consent of the other party; and if assigned, it shall extend to and be binding upon the respective successors and assignees of parties. Since the P&A Agreement contemplates that the City of Hale Center's deposit accounts associated with the Contract will be transferred to and assumed by First United Bank in the Transaction, Vista Bank will also need to assign the Contract to First United Bank. Vista Bank hereby requests the City of Hale Center's consent to the assignment of the Contract and Vista Bank's rights and obligations under the Contract to First United Bank, and Vista Bank's transfer of the City of Hale Center's deposit accounts to First United Bank, in connection with the Transaction.

If the City of Hale Center consents to the assignment of the Contract in connection with the closing of the Transaction on February 28, 2025, please so indicate by signing in the space provided below and send by PDF a copy of your signature to me at chamner@vistabank.com (w/ cc to jlang@vistabank.com).

Very truly yours,

VISTA BANK

Cade Hamner, General Counsel

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO this ____ day of _____, 2025

THE CITY OF HALE CENTER

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____



February 5, 2025

City of Hale Center
PO Box 532
Hale Center, TX 79041-0532

Re: Notice of Southwestern Public Service Company's Compliance Filing to Reduce Certain Meter-Related Charges

To the Honorable City Official of HALE CENTER:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with a copy of a compliance filing made by Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) on February 5, 2025, in accordance with the Final Order issued by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) in Docket No. 52451 related to SPS's advanced metering system (AMS) deployment plan. The Final Order required, among other things, that SPS seek Commission approval of annual reductions in reconnect fees over the AMS deployment period to reflect the progressive reduction in costs resulting from AMS deployment.

A copy of SPS's compliance filing is attached.

This compliance filing has been assigned Tariff Control No. 57669. Any person wishing to participate in this proceeding by becoming an intervenor must file a written request with the Commission. Intervention requests may be submitted electronically using the Commission's interchange filer, available at <https://interchange.puc.texas.gov/filer>, or by mail to: Public Utility Commission of Texas Central Records 1701 North Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. A deadline to intervene will be established by the Commission at a later date.

If you have any questions concerning this proceeding, please do not hesitate to contact your SPS Community Relations Manager, Chris LeFevre at chris.lefevre@xcelenergy.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad Baldridge'.

Brad Baldridge
Sr. Director, Customer & Community Relations