



# News Release

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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### ***Mayor Charlotte Wilcox Recognized for Years of Service***

At the May 10 meeting, staff and Council recognized Mayor Charlotte Wilcox for her years of service to the City of Highland Village. Mayor Wilcox was appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission in 2006. In 2009 she was elected to City Council, Place 3, where she served until being appointed Mayor by the City Council in 2014. In May 2015, she was elected as Mayor and continued to serve as Mayor until she reached her term limits in May 2022. There have been many initiatives and projects accomplished under the leadership of Mayor Wilcox that have improved the quality of life for Highland Village residents and the business community. Some of those accomplishments include the construction of Doubletree Ranch Park, K-9 Kastle Dog Park, the rebuild of Kids Kastle, improvements to public safety with a new dispatch center and new equipment for both police and fire, new housing additions, and the redevelopment of many existing buildings bringing new restaurants and retail to the City.

“Mayor Wilcox has played a major role in the progress of Highland Village. She is known for approaching every situation with the question, ‘How will this benefit our residents?’” stated City Manager Paul Stevens. “Mayor Wilcox has been a champion for our residents, always available and always looking for resolution to issues.”

Mayor Wilcox has also been an advocate for city staff ensuring the City offers a robust, yet fiscally responsible, benefit package to remain competitive in the employment market. Under her tenure the City achieved a AAA bond rating, the highest given by Standard & Poors, the City’s ad valorem tax rate has remained the same and the homestead allowance was increased for residents who are disabled or over 65 years of age.

“Mayor Wilcox will certainly be missed. We are all grateful for her service and support of the City and all of its residents,” stated Paul Stevens.

Also during this meeting Council approved a resolution amending the City’s Master Fee Schedule for Animal Control in the City’s Code of Ordinances. An updated Animal Ordinance was approved in September 2021 which requires City Council adopt authorized animal fees by resolution and incorporate them into the city master fee schedule. A review and comparison was made of area cities and cities similar to Highland Village. The fees were last established by Council in 1999.

During the Mayor and Council comments a proclamation was given designating National Police Week in Highland Village.

[The Village Report](#) was shown during the City Manager Report and featured an overview of the Highland Village Fire Department training, new businesses and information about the May 13 Movie in the Park and the upcoming June 11 Celebrate Highland Village event.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Frontier 43) and via website live streaming at [www.highlandvillage.org/hvtv](http://www.highlandvillage.org/hvtv) and on the City’s YouTube channel at

[www.youtube.com/highlandvillagetx](http://www.youtube.com/highlandvillagetx). The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city [website](#).