

RESOLUTION NO. R2026-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE CREATION OF AND JOINING THE “BURNET COUNTY HIGHLAND LAKES SUB-REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION” (BCHL-SRPC); AND AUTHORIZING COORDINATION WITH OTHER COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

WHEREAS, Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes any combination of counties and/or municipalities to agree to establish a commission to plan for a sub-region; and

WHEREAS, the governing units within Region 12 have unique planning needs for which a cooperative effort among the uniquely affected governmental units to coordinate planning efforts is in the best interest of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the public interest and to the benefit of the residents of the City and the citizens of this state to join with the Burnet County Highland Lakes Sub-Regional Planning Commission to provide for the special planning needs of the area; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Burnet, Texas finds that it shares common problems of transportation, water supply, drainage, land use, forms of urban development or concentration, and special problems of agriculture, forestry, conservation with Burnet County, Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section One. Findings. The recitals set out above are hereby approved and incorporated herein for all purposes.

Section Two. Approval. The City of Burnet hereby approves the creation of, and its participation in, a sub-regional planning commission within Region 12 to be known as the Burnet County Highland Lakes Sub-Regional Planning Commission (BCHL-SRPC), and authorizes the City of Burnet to join with other counties and/or municipalities pursuant to Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Section Three. Authorization. The following actions are hereby authorized:

- A. The creation and joining of a commission pursuant to Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code to be known as the “Burnet County Highland Lakes Sub-Regional Planning Commission” (the BCHL- SRPC) is authorized and approved; and

- B. The city limits of the City of Burnet shall be included with other government jurisdictions to form the boundaries of the newly created BCHL-SRPC; and
- C. The initial member governmental units will be the City of Burnet, Texas and Burnet County. Each member governmental unit will nominate two elected officials from their respective governmental units to serve as members of the BCHL-SRPC; and
- D. The City Manager is authorized to take all steps necessary and required under Chapter 391, Texas Local Government Code, to establish and join the BCHL-SRPC, to form a 391 planning commission with other counties, municipalities, and other governmental units affected by the plans of such counties, municipalities and/or governmental units, and to appoint members to the BCHL-SRPC.

Section Four. Purpose. The purpose of the BCHL-SRPC is to carry out the objectives set forth in Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code, including but not limited to the following:

- A. Provide planning to improve transportation systems within the jurisdiction of the BCHL-SRPC; and
- B. Provide for adequate streets, utilities, health, educational, recreational, and other essential facilities as communities, areas, and regions grow; and
- C. Protect the needs of agriculture, business, and industry; and
- D. Protect and establish healthful surroundings for family life in residential areas; and
- E. Preserve historical and cultural values; and
- F. Promote the efficient and economical use of public funds commensurate with the growth of the communities, areas, and region; and
- G. Cooperate and coordinate with local governmental units sharing similar needs to plan for all matters dealing with powerlines, water use and management, industrialization, housing development, and any facilities that involve the detrimental radiation, chemicals and / or hazardous materials that include the threat of loss of private property, and other issues affecting the jurisdiction and residents of the BCHL-SRPC; and
- H. Study, research, and create a plan to deal with the destruction of urban and rural private property and detrimental effects to the BCHL-SRPC and the City; and
- I. Coordinate efforts with all federal and state agencies pertaining to the matters listed in this section.

Section Five. Authority of BCHL-SRPC. The authority of the BCHL-SRPC shall be as set forth in Chapter 391 of the Texas Local Government Code and includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- A. The BCHL-SRPC may plan for development within its jurisdiction, including planning for major thoroughfares, streets, traffic and transportation studies, bridges, airports, parks, recreation sites, school sites, public utilities, land use, water supply, sanitation facilities, drainage, public buildings, population density, and open spaces.
- B. Any plan recommended by the BCHL-SRPC is not binding on the City of Burnet unless it is approved by the City Council of the City of Burnet.

- C. Once created, the BCHL-SRPC shall draft its own bylaws and rules, subject to the approval of the member governmental units.
- D. The City of Burnet will bear its own costs in implementing any plan or recommendation from BCHL-SRPC, unless otherwise agreed by the governmental units composing BCHL-SRPC and the City Council of the City of Burnet. In no event shall the City of Burnet be responsible for any costs associated with the funding of the BCHL-SRPC unless by majority vote of the City Council of the City of Burnet and only for the budget year in which the vote takes place.
- E. The City of Burnet reserves the right to withdraw from participation in the Burnet County Highland Lakes Sub-Regional Planning Commission at any time upon approval by the Burnet City Council and written notice to the Commission.

Section Six. Open Meetings. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this resolution was passed was open to the public and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act.

Section Seven. Effective Date. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage, and approval as prescribed by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this the 24th day of February 2026.

CITY OF BURNET, TEXAS

Gary Wideman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Maria Gonzales, City Secretary