

# City Administrator's Update

HIGHLAND HAVEN

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## Manufactured Housing Bill Moves Forward In Texas Legislature

Proposed law could limit cities' ability to regulate or prohibit HUD-code manufactured homes

Dear Highland Haven Residents,

In this issue I want to give you an update on Senate Bill 785, a piece of legislation that could significantly limit cities' authority to regulate HUD-code manufactured housing within their boundaries.

### What's S.B. 785 About?

S.B. 785 would limit how cities regulate **HUD-code manufactured homes**, particularly in residential neighborhoods. If passed, it could override many of the local zoning decisions cities make to preserve neighborhood character, ensure consistent development, and plan infrastructure responsibly. The bill applies statewide and would affect all Texas cities, regardless of size or population.

### Why It Matters for Highland Haven

If passed, S.B. 785 could preempt our ability to establish reasonable standards and site-specific requirements for manufactured housing. This would also prohibit the city from restricting manufactured housing in our community.

### Where It Stands Now

The bill has already passed the Senate and is now in the House Land & Resource Management Committee, where it will likely be heard in the next two weeks.

### How to Take Action

Below is the contact information for the House Land and Resource Management Committee. If you have concerns about S.B. 785, I encourage you to reach out to these members to share how this bill would impact our community.

### House Land & Resource Management Committee – Contact Info

- Chair: Rep. Gary Gates – District 28 – (512) 463-0657 – [Gary.Gates@house.texas.gov](mailto:Gary.Gates@house.texas.gov)
- Vice Chair: Rep. Suleman Lalani – District 76 – (512) 463-0708 – [Suleman.Lalani@house.texas.gov](mailto:Suleman.Lalani@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Daniel Alders – District 57 – (512) 463-0732 – [Daniel.Alders@house.texas.gov](mailto:Daniel.Alders@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Yvonne Davis – District 111 – (512) 463-0598 – [Yvonne.Davis@house.texas.gov](mailto:Yvonne.Davis@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Gina Hinojosa – District 49 – (512) 463-0668 – [Gina.Hinojosa@house.texas.gov](mailto:Gina.Hinojosa@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Todd Hunter – District 32 – (512) 463-0672 – [Todd.Hunter@house.texas.gov](mailto:Todd.Hunter@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Ray Lopez – District 125 – (512) 463-0269 – [Ray.Lopez@house.texas.gov](mailto:Ray.Lopez@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Matt Morgan – District 26 – (512) 463-0710 – [Matt.Morgan@house.texas.gov](mailto:Matt.Morgan@house.texas.gov)
- Rep. Wes Virdell – District 53 – (512) 463-0498 – [Wes.Virdell@house.texas.gov](mailto:Wes.Virdell@house.texas.gov)

As always, I'll continue monitoring this legislation and will keep you informed of any updates or opportunities to participate in the process.

Stay informed, stay involved, and thank you for being an engaged part of our community!

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## Legislative Issues

[www.highlandhaventx.com/legislative-issues/](http://www.highlandhaventx.com/legislative-issues/)

The City of Highland Haven's Legislative Issues page provides residents with up-to-date information on state legislation that may affect the community. It includes a list of relevant bills from the 89th Legislative Session, Resolution 366 opposing Senate Bill 19, and Resolution 364 outlining the city's legislative priorities during the 89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session.

The page also offers resources for contacting representatives, tips for effective advocacy, and links to the Texas Municipal League's legislative information. Residents are encouraged to stay informed and participate in local and state governance by utilizing these resources.

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### Next BOA Meeting

The next Board of Alderman meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday May 6 at the Community Center.

A copy of the agenda will be available online, as well as the packet.

### Next P&Z Meeting

The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting will take place at 6 p.m. on Thursday May 8 at the Community Center.

A copy of the agenda will be available online, as well as the packet.

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### County Burn Ban Lifted

*City Burn Rules Still In Effect*

While Burnet County has lifted its burn ban, residents within Highland Haven city limits must still follow the city's controlled burn ordinance:

- Fires must be attended at all times.
- Only burn between sunrise and sundown.
- Have water on-site for safety.
- No burning of rubber or plastic.
- No burning on Sundays.
- Fires must be at least 50 feet from any structures, combustibles, or front property lines.

Please use caution and follow the rules to help keep Highland Haven safe. Questions? Call City Hall—we're happy to help!



### Current Watering Restrictions

*Do Your Part to Conserve Water*

Under the City's 2024 Drought Contingency Plan, watering with hose-end sprinklers is prohibited at all times during our current drought stage.

Even-numbered addresses (0, 2, 4, 6, 8) may irrigate on Sundays, and odd-numbered addresses (1, 3, 5, 7, 9) on Saturdays, using hand-held hoses, buckets (5 gallons or less), drip irrigation, or automatic systems—but only between midnight–10 a.m. and 8 p.m.–midnight.

These rules apply to all water sources, including lake water, wells, and city water. We appreciate your cooperation in protecting our water resources.

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### Stay in the Loop & Reach Out!

We appreciate you taking the time to stay informed about what's happening in Highland Haven. If you have any questions, concerns, or just want to chat about city matters, we're always happy to hear from you! Feel free to reach out, and we'll do our best to provide answers and keep you in the know.

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✉ Email: [cityadministrator@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:cityadministrator@highlandhaventx.com)

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Stay engaged, stay involved, and thank you for being a part of what makes Highland Haven a great place to live!

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