CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Rusk Civic Center 555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas Thursday, February 10, 2022 – 5:30 P.M.

Ben Middlebrooks, Mayor
Walter Session, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 2
Kendall Shoemaker, Council Place 1
Martha Neely, Council Place 4

Martin Holsome, Council Place 3

Frances Long, Council Place 5

Amanda Hill, City Manager Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary Anthony J. King, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- **A.** Invocation.
- **B.** Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

2. PROCLAMATION(S)/RECOGNITION(S):

- 3. MAYOR COMMENTS: Comments will be from Mayor Middlebrooks. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY COUNCIL MAY NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM WHICH HAS NOT BEEN POSTED ON THE AGENDA.
- 4. CITIZENS COMMENTS: At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not included on the agenda. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, THE CITY COUNCIL MAY NOT DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM WHICH HAS NOT BEEN POSTED ON THE AGENDA.
- **5. EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will enter Executive Session to discuss and consider the following-
- **6. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (S):** The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to act, if any, on items discussed in the Executive Session.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Check Register Report for January 2022, Summary R & E, Credit Card Statement for December charges 2021, January Consolidated Bank Reconsolidations, and account balances.
- B. Minutes for the January 13, 2022, City Council Meeting and Monday February 7, 2022, Special City Council Meeting.

8. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

9. ACTION ITEM(S)

- A. Presentation of the Rusk Police Department 2021 Racial Profiling Report
- B. Discuss and consider presentation from Specialized Finance for refinancing of bonds.
- C. Discuss and consider a Resolution to submit an application for funding through the Office of the Governors' (OOG) Homeland Security Grant Division (HSGD) for grant funding through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) as managed by the East Texas Council of Governments.
- **D.** Discuss and consider a Resolution ordering a regular City General Election for Council Members in District 3, District 4, and District 5 and the Order and Notice of the General Election for May 7, 2022.
- E. Discuss and consider Resolution ordering a Special Election for Charter Amendments.
- **F.** Discuss and consider Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Emergency Management Coordinator to amend the Cherokee County Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- **G.** Discuss and consider Hazard and Mitigation projects.
- H. Discuss and consider an RFQ for engineer services.
- 10. ANNOUNCEMENT(S): Comments may be made by Council or Staff on the following topics without specific notice: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; information on holiday schedules; recognition of public officials, employees, or citizens other than employees or officials whose status may be affected by the council through action; reminders of community events. NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.
- 11. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT(S): Water Projects, Wastewater Projects, Drainage Projects, Road Projects, Capital Improvement Projects, Special Projects and Developments and Departmental Reports. NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.

12. ADJOURN

The City Council reserves the right to hear any of the above-described agenda items that qualify for an Executive Session in an Executive Session by announcing the applicable section number of the Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies Executive Session treatment.

Posted: Monday, February 7, 2022

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By 4:30 P.M.

Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

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