CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Rusk Civic Center 555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas Thursday, October 13, 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
Frances Long, Council Place 5

Zack McNew, Council Place 3

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): Introduction of New REDCO Director: Carlton Crothers
- 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. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Check Register Report for August 2022, Summary R & E, Credit Card Statement for July charges 2022, August Consolidated Bank Reconciliation, and Account Balances.
- B. Minutes from September 8, 2022; Minutes from September 13, 2022 Special City Council Meeting.
- 6. PUBLIC HEARING(S): N/A

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- 7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will enter Executive Session to discuss and consider the following
 - a. Government Code Section 551.071 litigation and certain consultation with attorney.
- **8. EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (S):** The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to act, if any, on items discussed in the Executive Session.

9. ACTION ITEM(S)

- A. Discuss and consider RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF RUSK DENYING ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY COMPANY LLC'S APPLICATION TO INCREASE RATES RELATED TO ONCOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT TO INCREASE RATES FILED ON OR ABOUT MAY 13, 2022; REQUIRING THE REIMBURSEMENT OF MUNICIPAL RATE CASE EXPENSES; FINDING THAT THE MEETING COMPLIES WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
- **B.** Discuss and consider an Inter-Local Agreement with East Texas Council of Government (ETCOG) for COGWORKS Purchasing Cooperative.
- **C.** Discuss and consider revisions to City of Rusk personnel policy for sick time.
- **D.** Discuss and consider time for redistricting workshop.
- E. Discuss and consider procurement for City Engineering.
- F. Discuss and consider approval of the Cherokee County Appraisal budget.
- 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

Posted: Friday, October 7, 2022 City Hall Bulletin Board

By 4:45 P.M.

Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

This meeting will be conducted pursuant to the Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq. At any time during the meeting, the Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session on any of the above-posted agenda items in accordance with the sections 551.071 [litigation and certain consultation with attorney], 551.072 [acquisition of interest of real property] 551.073 [contract for gift to City], 551.074 [certain personnel deliberations] or 551.076 [deployment /implementation of security personnel or devices]. A quorum of the governmental body will be physically present at the location noticed above. Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 551.127, one or more members of the governing body may appear via videoconference call. The City of Rusk is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request.

Please call the City Secretary at 903-683-2213 for information.

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