

**CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

Rusk Civic Center
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas
Thursday, May 11, 2023— 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
Zack McNew, 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):

Swearing in of recently elected Mayor and Councilmember for District 2.

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 March 2023, Detailed R & E, Quarterly Investment Report, March Bank Reconciliation and Credit Card Statement for March 2023.
- B. Minutes for March 9, 2023 and April 3, 2023 Special City Council meeting.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the 18th day of April 2023, Billy & Norma Niederhofer, hereinafter called *applicant*, filed a major plat application requesting the Planning and Zoning Commission review and approve a fifteen (15) lot subdivision in accordance with the Subdivision Ordinance of the City of Rusk, Texas. The creation of four or more lots requires Planning and Zoning approval. The property details and location of the proposed subdivision are as follows.

The property under consideration is undeveloped and located at the corner of Jordan Street and Ellis Street. There is no physical address for this property at this time. However, the property is described as being 3.451 acres of land in the William Anderson Survey, Abstract No. 70, City of Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas, and being part of that Exhibit A, Tract Two called 24.91 acres from Michael and Teresia McCollom to Billy and Norma Niederhofer, as recorded in Volume 2749, Page 828 of the Official Records of Cherokee County, Texas.

Currently Zoned (R-1) Single-Family Detached Residential – No Zone Change Required

7. ACTION ITEM(S)

- A.** Discuss and consider the approval of the proposed subdivision plat.
- B.** Discuss and consider a Resolution approving the canvass of the May 6, 2023 Municipal Election
- C.** Discuss and consider a Resolution ordering a Runoff Election for Council District 1 along with the Order and Notice of the Runoff Election to be held on June 10, 2023.
- D.** Discuss and consider appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.
- E.** Discuss and consider City of Rusk Investment policy.
- F.** Discuss and consider approval of the COPS Hiring Program grant for Rusk PD.
- G.** Discuss and consider appointment of Fire Marshall.
- H.** Discuss and consider approving the City of Rusk Street naming or renaming policy.
- I.** Discuss and consider budget amendments.

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.**

8. 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.**

9. ADJOURN

**Posted: Monday, May 8, 2023
City Hall Bulletin Board
By 5:00 P.M.**



Bob Goldsberry, Assistant City Manager

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.