

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

Rusk Council Chambers
116 East 5th Street Suite B, Rusk, Texas 75785
Thursday, May 9, 2024– 5:30 P.M.

Ben Middlebrooks, Mayor
Martha Neely, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 4
Jim Beindorf, Council Place 1 Zack McNew, Council Place 3
Maxine Session, Council Place 2 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 District 3, District 4, and District 5 Councilmembers.

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 2024, March 2024 Complete R & E, Quarterly Investment Report, March Bank Reconciliation and Credit Card Statements for March 2024.
- b. Minutes for April 8, 2024, Special City Council Meeting and April 11, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting April 25, 2024, Special City Council Meeting.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

Public Hearing to review the City's program performance including the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds expended under Texas Department of Agriculture Contract CDV21-0459.

7. ACTION ITEM(S):

- A. Discussion and consider the public hearing to close out **Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds expended under Texas Department of Agriculture Contract CDV21-0459.**
 - B. Discussion and possible action to award grant administration services regarding for the City's 2022 Resilient Communities Program application.
 - C. Discussion and possible action to award planning services regarding the City's 2022 Resilient Communities Program application.
 - D. Discuss and consider Resolution Rehabilitation of Water Storage Tanks TWDB DWSRF Project #62892 constructed.
 - E. Discuss and consider Ordinance to abandon railroad right of way- North line of U.S. Highway 84 and West 6th Street- see attachment.
 - F. Discuss and consider appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.
8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will enter Executive Session to discuss and consider the following-
- a. Government Code Section 551.074 personnel deliberations
City Secretary.
9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION (S):** The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to act, if necessary, on items discussed in the Executive Session.
- a. To take any necessary action.

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.**

- A. **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.**
- B. **Rusk EDC Report.**
- C. **ADJOURN**

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By 11:00 A.M.


 Cinda Thompson, 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.

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