

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

Rusk Council Chambers
116 East 5th Street Suite B, Rusk, Texas 75785
Friday, December 20, 2024– 11:00 A.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
Bob Goldsberry, Interim City Manager
Cinda Thompson, 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. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Check Register Report for September and October 2024, Account Balances for September 2024 and October 2024, and Credit Card Statements for September 2024 and October 2024.
- b. Minutes for November 14, 2024, City Council Meeting and November 14, 2024, Special City Council Meeting.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given on the 18 day of October 2024, William Nichols, herein called the applicant, filled an application to the Planning and Zoning Commission requesting a modification to the Rusk Zoning Map to permit the property at **720 Martin Luther King Drive Rusk, TX 75785** to be used for the following purpose:

From (B-2) to (R-1)

[Commercial District to Residential District]

Legal Description:

LOT 6 BLK 21 DICKINSON 1 HOUSE & APT

The request to rezone the previously mentioned property is to build a house.

A public hearing will be held on said petition before the City of Rusk Planning & Zoning Commission in the Council Chambers, at the **Rusk City Hall Council Chambers**, located at **116 East 5th St. Suite B Rusk, TX 75785**, on **December 3, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.** at which time the Commission will hear the evidence presented on this matter and such other matters as may properly come before the Commission. **Another public hearing will be held December 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. before Rusk City Council.**

7. ACTION ITEM(S):

- a. Discuss and consider the Ordinance approving the recommended zone change for 720 Martin Luther King.
- b. Discuss and consider rate increase from Republic Services effective February 1, 2025.

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. EDC Report

10. ADJOURN


Cinda Thompson, City Secretary

Posted: Monday December 16, 2024
City Hall Bulletin Board
By 4:00P.M.

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 on 903-683-2213 for information.**