



CITY OF RUSK CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

RUSK COUNCIL CHAMBERS
116 EAST 5TH STREET, SUITE B,
RUSK, TEXAS 75785

RUSK CITY COUNCIL
BEN MIDDLEBROOKS, MAYOR
MARTHA NEELY, MAYOR PRO TEM

JIM BEINDORF, PLACE 1
MAXINE SESSION, PLACE 2
ZACK MCNEW, PLACE 3
MARTHA NEELY, PLACE 4
FRANCES LONG, PLACE 5

RUSK CITY STAFF
BOB GOLDSBERRY, CITY MANAGER
VICTORIA MINTON, CITY SECRETARY
ANTHONY J. KING, CITY ATTORNEY

FEBRUARY 12, 2026, AT 6:00 PM

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- a. Invocation.
- b. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

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

- a. Proclamation of Gov. Jim Hogg Day presented by Betti Mercantell.

3. MAYOR COMMENTS:

Comments and updates from the Mayor. **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. **Consider approval of the Minutes** for the City Council meeting(s) held on January 15, 2025.
- b. **Consider approval of Check Register Report** for December 2025, **Account Balances** for December 2025, and **Credit Card Statements** for November 2025.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

a. None.

7. ACTION ITEM(S):

- a. **Discuss and consider** a request for disannexation of property identified by Cherokee County Appraisal District (CCAD) Property ID No. 100401000.
 - b. **Discuss and take action** on an Order Calling the May 2, 2026 General Election for the City of Rusk.
 - c. **Discuss and take action** on approval of a Joint Election Agreement/Contract between the City of Rusk and Rusk Independent School District for the conduct of the May 2, 2026 election.
 - d. **Discuss and take action** on approval of an election services agreement and authorization to hire an election coordinator/consultant for the May 2, 2026 City Election.
 - e. **Discuss and consider possible action** regarding City Council meeting times.
 - f. **Discuss and consider possible action** on the reappointment of the Municipal Court Judge for a two-year term (Court of Record).
 - g. **Discuss and consider possible action** on the appointment of Victoria [Last Name], including approval of a one-year employment contract pending completion of a six-month probationary period in March.
 - h. **Discuss and consider possible action** regarding the reappointment or selection of CPA audit services.
 - i. **Discuss and consider action** to award a construction contract, based on the engineer's recommendation, for City Hall water and sewer system generator improvements associated with the City's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program contracts DR-4586-0234 and DR-4586-0235.
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8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council may convene into Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate on the following matters, if needed:

- a. **Potential litigation, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).**

(Any action to be taken as a result of discussions in Executive Session will be taken in open session.)

9. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

Discuss and consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT(S):

Comments may be made by Council or Staff on the following topics without specific notice, including expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences; announcements of community events; and recognition of public officials, employees, or citizens.

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. EDC REPORT

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Posted: Friday, February 6, 2026

City Hall Bulletin Board

By 3:00 P.M.



Victoria Minton, 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 in 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.