



CITY OF RUSK CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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

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

MARCH 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. Rusk Police Department to recognize Lazarus "Abb" Crockett as Citizen Of The Year.

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 23, 2026, February 2, 2026, and February 12, 2026.
- b. **Consider approval of Check Register Report** for January 2026, **Account Balances** for January 2026, and **Credit Card Statements** for December 2025.

6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

a. None.

7. ACTION ITEM(S):

a. Reappoint Anthony King as the City Attorney for a 1-year term.

b. Appoint Christy Myers as the Municipal Court Administrator for a 2-year term.

c. Discuss and Consider authorizing the street engineering group CT Brannon to go out for Bids for Phase 2 on the street paving project.

d. Discuss and consider a request for disannexation of property identified by Cherokee County Appraisal District (CCAD) Property ID No. 100401000.

e. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the reappointment or selection of CPA audit services.

f. Discuss and Consider action to suspend the effective date proposed by CenterPoint Energy Resources corp. d/b/a CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas, Beaumont/East Texas division, to increase rates under the gas reliability infrastructure program, for 45 days, and authorize the city's continued participation in a coalition of cities known as the "Alliance of CenterPoint Municipalities" ("acm") of cities.

g. Discussion and consider possible action to approve a resolution reaffirming civil rights policies related to the General Land Office Resilient Communities Program Grant No. 23-160-133-F524.

e. Discussion and consider possible action to approve a resolution appointing contractual and financial authorized signatories related to the General Land Office Resilient Communities Program Grant No. 23-160-133-F524.

e. Discuss and consider approval of the SBA Cell Tower Lease.

f. Discuss and consider approval and suggested changes to Ordinance Code 32.07.

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. Section 551.074 – Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; and

b. Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney, to seek the advice of the City Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or matters where the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

(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, March 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.