



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
YASH ASARSA, PLACE 3
MARTHA NEELY, PLACE 4
CHUCKY PATE, PLACE 5

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

CITY ADMINISTRATION
THOMAS THOMPSON, CITY MANAGER
VICTORIA MINTON, CITY SECRETARY
ANTHONY KING, CITY ATTORNEY

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2026, AT 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- a. Invocation.
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.
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2. PROCLAMATION(S)/RECOGNITION(S):

None.

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 April 09, 2026; April 30, 2026; May 12, 2026; May 14, 2026; May 28, 2026; and June 4, 2026.
 - b. **Consider approval of Check Register Report** for March and April of 2026; **Account Balances** for March and April of 2026; and **Credit Card Statements** for February and March 2026.
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6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

- a. None.
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7. ACTION ITEM(S):

- a. **Discuss and consider taking action** on the election of a Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Rusk.
 - b. **Discuss and consider** the reappointment of Anthony J. King to serve as City Attorney for the City of Rusk, Texas, including consideration of the terms and conditions of such appointment.
 - c. **Discuss and consider approval** of Ordinance 32.07 amending the City's Municipal Court of Record and any related procedures or provisions required by law.
 - d. **Discuss and consider implementation** of live streaming for City Council meetings, including equipment, services, budget considerations, and associated policies.
 - e. **Discuss and receive** a financial update from Anita Woodlee, CPA, regarding accounting records, reconciliations, financial reporting, budget status, audit preparation, internal controls, and related financial matters.
 - f. **Discuss and consider acknowledgement** of Oncor Electric Delivery Company's Application for Approval of a Wildfire Mitigation Plan filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, including consideration of whether the City should submit comments, intervene, or take any related action.
 - g. **Discuss and receive**, via Zoom, a report from Police Department Consultant Mike Alexander regarding Police Department operations, staffing, organizational assessment, policy and procedural recommendations, status of the Chief of Police recruitment process, and related law enforcement matters.
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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. **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; and
- c. **Section 551.071 and 551.074 – Consultation with Attorney**, to discuss Police Department personnel, administrative matters, legal issues, and related investigative considerations.

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

10. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

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

- a. Appointment of an Interim City Manager and the engagement of a consultant or other professional services provider to assist with administrative operations, management oversight, recruitment, or transition services;
- b. Authorization to engage a City Manager recruitment consultant or search firm;
- c. Authorization to initiate a City Manager recruitment process;
- d. Designation of interim administrative responsibilities; and/or
- e. Any other action related to the administration of the City Manager's Office or the City Manager position.

11. 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.

12. DEPARTMENT REPORT(S):

a. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Water Projects, Wastewater Projects, Drainage Projects, Road Projects, Capital Improvement Projects, Special Projects and Developments, and Departmental Reports.

b. HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT:

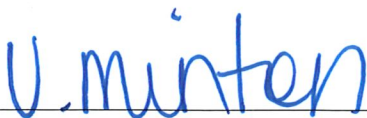
Update regarding personnel matters, staffing levels, employee recruitment and retention efforts, training initiatives, benefits, administration, policy updates, and other human resources-related activities and developments.

NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS.

13. EDC REPORT

14. ADJOURNMENT

**Notice Posted: Friday, June 5, 2026
City Hall Bulletin Board
By 5:00 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.