



# 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**  
VICTORIA MINTON, INTERIM CM & CITY SECRETARY  
ANTHONY KING, CITY ATTORNEY

**THURSDAY, JULY 9, 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. 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.** (Each citizen will be allotted three (3) minutes for comments.)

### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. **Consider and take action to** approve the minutes of the City Council meetings held on June 11, 2026; June 26, 2026; June 29, 2026; and June 30, 2026.
- b. **Consider approval of the Check Register Report for June 2026, Account Balances for June 2026, and Credit Card Statements for March and April 2026.**

### 6. PUBLIC HEARING(S):

- a. None.

**7. ACTION ITEM(S):**

- a. **Discuss and consider** the Mayor's nomination to appoint a member to the TSRR Board.
- b. **Receive the monthly Financial Report** from CPA Anita Woodlee-Roach, including an update on the City's current financial position following completion of the FY 2024–2025 audit and discussion of the proposed FY 2026–2027 budget development calendar.
- c. **Receive the FY 2024–2025 Annual Financial Audit** presentation from Louis Breedlove and consider acceptance of the City's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and audit.
- d. **Discuss and consider approval** of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to designate Section 95.52 as the City's official permit fee schedule, repeal the duplicate permit fee schedule contained in Section 150.105, and provide for related matters.
- e. **Discuss, consider, and act upon** the abandonment of a strip-and-gore tract described as railroad right-of-way, being approximately 0.307 acres of situated in the John Hundley Survey, Abstract No. 341, Town Addition to the Town of Rusk, Cherokee County, Texas, determine disposition under Tex. Loc. Gov't Code § 272.001(b), and authorize the Mayor to execute all deeds and documents necessary to complete the conveyance.

**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 of the final candidate for Chief of Police.
- b. **Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney:** to seek the advice of the City Attorney regarding the former employee resignation agreement.

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

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**9. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:**

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

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**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.**

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**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.**

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12. EDC REPORT.

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13. ADJOURN.

Notice Posted: Friday, July 3, 2026  
City Hall Bulletin Board  
By 5:00 P.M.



**Victoria Minton, Interim City Manager / 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.