



# CITY OF RUSK CITY COUNCIL

## SPECIAL MEETING / BUDGET WORKSHOP

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

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026, AT 2:00 PM**

### **SPECIAL CALLED MEETING / BUDGET WORKSHOP AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH QUORUM**
3. **FISCAL YEAR 2026–2027 BUDGET WORKSHOP**  
Discussion, continued review, and consideration of revisions to the proposed City of Rusk Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget, including proposed revenues and expenditures; General Fund; Interest and Sinking Fund; Enterprise Fund; Cemetery Fund; Hotel/Motel Tax Fund; departmental operating budgets; personnel, staffing, salaries and employee benefits; capital expenditures and equipment; debt service; transfers between funds; utility revenues and expenditures; proposed projects; fund balances; and other matters related to preparation of the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget.

The City Council may review revisions resulting from prior budget workshops; consider the effect of the proposed 2026 ad valorem tax rate and anticipated property-tax revenues upon the proposed budget; discuss remaining budget matters, revenues, expenditures, staffing and compensation, capital expenditures, projects, debt obligations, transfers, and fund balances; receive recommendations from the Interim City Manager, City staff, department heads, consultants, and other appropriate persons; and provide direction concerning preparation of the proposed final Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget for subsequent public hearing and consideration by the City Council.

4. **PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026–2027 BUDGET — DIRECTION TO STAFF**  
Discuss and provide direction concerning preparation of the proposed final Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget, including any revisions resulting from this workshop, and receive budget information, recommendations, and proposed revisions from the City's budget consultants, Anita Woodlee-Roach and Ken Ferrara. City staff and department heads may provide financial records, operational information, and administrative assistance as requested. The proposed final budget will thereafter proceed through the filing, public notice, public hearing, and City Council consideration requirements established by applicable law.

**No final action adopting the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget or the 2026 ad valorem tax rate will be taken at this workshop.**

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

## NOTICE REGARDING PROPOSED BUDGET AND TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to Texas Government Code § 551.043(c), the notice of this meeting includes the required taxpayer impact statement. A copy of the proposed Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget is included with this notice or has been made clearly accessible from the home page of the City of Rusk's Internet website.

Notice Posted: Wednesday, August 26, 2026  
City Hall Bulletin Board  
By 8:00 P.M.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "V. Minton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a horizontal line.

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.