

CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 820 ST. JOSEPH STREET
VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
LIMITED IN PERSON ATTENDANCE AVAILABLE
AGENDA –MAY 13, 2021 6:00 P.M.

NOTICE is hereby given that, pursuant to Section 551.045 of the Texas Government Code and the March 16, 2020 order by the Governor of the State of Texas, the City Council will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., via teleconference in accordance with Governor Abbott's order.

This meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet are posted online at www.gonzales.texas.gov.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Abbott suspended several provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the duration of his statewide declaration of disaster, including the new requirement (added by H.B. 2840 last legislative session) that the public has a right to speak on agenda items. This DOES NOT apply to statutorily-mandated public hearings, such as zoning and similar hearings. The Governor has since clarified his intent and stated that citizens should be allowed to offer comments by other means.

A temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

Citizens wishing to offer comments on the posted agenda items may email their comments at least two hours prior to the start of the meeting and the comments will be read into the record during the time allocated for citizen comments. Emails may be sent to citysecretary@gonzales.texas.gov and must include the name of the citizen.

The public toll-free dial in number to participate in the telephone conference is hosted through FreeConferenceCall.com.

Toll-free call-in number: **1-844-854-2222**

When asked for an access code enter **348787#**

It is not necessary to announce yourself when you join the teleconference.

A recording of the telephone conference will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Announcements of upcoming City Events
- Announcements and recognitions by the City Manager
- Announcements and recognitions by the Mayor

- Recognition of actions by City employees
- Recognition of actions by community volunteers

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

This time is set aside for any person who wishes to address the City Council. Each person should fill out the speaker's register prior to the meeting. Presentations should be limited to no more than 3 minutes. Individuals not able to attend due to space limitations may email the City Secretary at least two (2) hours prior to the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- 1.1 Presentation and Discussion from City Engineer Keith Schauer regarding the progress and status of the Capital Improvements Plan
- 1.2 Presentation from Dennis Kaiser regarding the replacement of the roof at the Eggleston House including the construction and fund raising for the project

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Consent Agenda is considered self-explanatory and will be enacted by the Council with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless they are removed from the Consent Agenda upon the request of the Mayor or a Councilmember.

- 2.1 **Minutes** - Approval of the minutes for the April 8, 2021 Regular Meeting and the May 6, 2021 Special Meeting
- 2.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-30** Amending the previously approved street closure time for the June 18, 2021 Summer Concert Series from 11:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
- 2.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-31** Authorizing Preservation Gonzales, Inc. use of Market Square including designated street closures for the DeWitt's Colony Muster event on September 11, 2021
- 2.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-32** Authorizing Gonzales Main Street use of Texas Heroes Square for the Memorial Day Service & Banner Recognition on May 31, 2021
- 2.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-33** Authorizing God's Iron Fitness use and the closure of the 400 Block of Smith Street for the Fit-OPS; Movement for Mental Health on June 26, 2021
- 2.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-34** Authorizing City staff to seek Request of Qualifications and Proposals from Qualified Experienced Firms of Certified Public Accountants to Audit the City's Financial Statements in the manner most advantageous to the City
- 2.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-35** Authorizing the Expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for School Zone Signage and supplies from the Restricted Use Municipal Court Child Safety Fund

- 2.8 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2021-14** Appointing Crystal Cedillo, Gonzales County Tax Assessor Collector, as the Individual to Calculate and Prepare the 2021 No-New Revenue and Voter-Approval Tax Rate for the City of Gonzales

ACTION

- 3.1 Discussion and Direction from City Council regarding mask requirements within City owned facilities

RESOLUTIONS

- 4.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-36** Authorizing P Events and Gonzales Chamber of Commerce use of Texas Heroes Square including designated street closures for the BattleRod 2021 - Classic/Hot Rod Car Show on November 20, 2021
- 4.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-37** Accepting the Proposals and Awarding the Contract for the 2021 Street Improvements projects to Diamond X Contracting
- 4.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-38** Approving the recommendation of the Gonzales Convention & Visitor Bureau for the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$25,000 to the Gonzales Main Street for the 2021 Gonzales Main Street Summer Concert Series
- 4.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-39** Authorizing the Appointment of two Council members to the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission General Assembly from September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022
- 4.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-40** Approving the Roger M. Dreyer Memorial Airport Hangar Lease Agreement
- 4.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-41** Approving the Tax Resale of the Property Located at 905 Kleine Street
- 4.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-42** Approving the Tax Resale of the Property Located at 917 Pecan Street

ORDINANCES

- 5.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2021-15** Closing and Abandoning to the abutting property owner, Portions of certain unimproved streets lying beyond the municipal boundaries
- 5.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2021-16** Approving a Budget Amendment to the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2020 and Ending September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$240,585.05
- 5.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2021-17** Ordering and Declaring the 2021 Charter Amendments Adopted

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

6.1 Financial Report for the month of April 2021

6.2 City Manager, Tim Patek will update the City Council on the following:

- Jim Price Clean-up
- LCRA transmission line update
- Certified Public Manager certification update

CLOSED SESSION

7.1 (1) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter”, to include the following matters:

a) In Re Estate of J. B. Wells litigation

(2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Gonzales will consult in closed session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person:

a) Consider an offer to purchase unopened streets in the Original Out Town of Gonzales, East of Water street adjacent to Lots 27 and 28, Range 13 and Lots 25-28, Range 14

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

8.1 Discuss and Consider any Action Resulting from Closed Session as Necessary

CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on a future City Council agenda
- Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
- City and community events attended and to be attended
- Continuing education events attended and to be attended

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EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council reserves the right to discuss any of the above items in Executive Closed Session if they meet the qualifications in Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.087, of Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas.

I certify that a copy of the May 13, 2021, agenda of items to be considered by the Gonzales City Council was posted on the City Municipal Building bulletin board on the 10th day of May, 2021 at 5:45 p.m. and remained posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the meeting. I further certify that the above agenda was removed on _____ day of _____, 2021 at _____ am/pm. I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of the above stated meeting: Gonzales Inquirer.

Kristina Vega, City Secretary

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