

CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 820 ST. JOSEPH STREET
VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
LIMITED IN PERSON ATTENDANCE AVAILABLE
AGENDA –JUNE 10, 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, June 10, 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.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-43** Canvassing the Returns and Officially declaring the results of the June 1, 2021 City of Gonzales District 2 Runoff Election
- 1.2 Issuance of the Certificate of Election and Swearing in of City Council Member District 2: Sherry Tumlinson-Koepp
- 1.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-44** Appointing a Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Gonzales

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 May 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

RESOLUTIONS

- 3.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-45** Authorizing the Edwards Association the use of Independence Square and designated street closures for the Juneteenth Freedom March on June 19, 2021
- 3.2 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-46** Authorizing the Purchase of a 2021 John Deere Backhoe for the Water Department from RDO Equipment Company in the amount of \$104,950.00
- 3.3 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-47** Authorizing the Purchase of a Trojan UV disinfection system replacement for the Wastewater Department in the amount of \$228,700.00
- 3.4 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-48** Approving A Type B Economic Development Agreement by and between the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation and Laurel Ridge Designs, Inc., a Texas Corporation, Authorized Pursuant to Section 505.158 Of The Texas Local Government Code
- 3.5 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-49** Authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal and Budgetary Policy Statement for the City of Gonzales

- 3.6 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-50** Authorizing City Staff to Solicit Proposals from Reputable and Experienced Vendors for a Feasibility Study and Market Analysis for the Potential Improvement and Enhancement of Municipally-owned Softball and Baseball Fields and/or the Potential Creation of a New Sports Complex
- 3.7 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-51** Approving the use of the practice field located on North Avenue between the 400 block of Williams Street and 400 block of Tate Street and authorizing designated street closures for the First Responder Appreciation Night on June 25, 2021 and authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Austin Aeronauts, LLC.
- 3.8 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Resolution #2021-52** Approving A Type B Economic Development Project and Performance Agreement, by and between the Gonzales Economic Development Corporation and First United Methodist Church Regarding Improvements authorized pursuant to Section 505.152 of the Texas Local Government Code

ORDINANCES

- 4.1 Discuss, Consider & Possible Action on **Ordinance #2021-18** Approving a Budget Amendment to the Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2020 and Ending September 30, 2021 in the amount of \$127,430.00

STAFF/BOARD REPORTS

- 5.1 Financial Report for the month of May 2021
- 5.2 City Manager, Tim Patek will update the City Council on the following:
 - Grant funding projects
 - Preliminary budget and rate study
 - Electric AMI Metering update

CLOSED SESSION

- 6.1 (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) Victoria College billboard

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

7.1 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 June 10, 2021, agenda of items to be considered by the Gonzales City Council was posted on the City Municipal Building bulletin board on the 7th day of June, 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

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Request for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please Contact the City Secretary's office at (830)672-2815 for further information.