

CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS GONZALES MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 820 ST. JOSEPH STREET VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

LIMITED IN PERSON ATTENDANCE AVAILABLE AGENDA – MARCH 16, 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 Gonzales Main Street Advisory Board will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:30 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.

In accordance with Governor Abbott's Executive Order 29 issued on July 2, 2020 every person attending the meeting shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth unless the person is under 10 years of age or has a medical condition or disability that prevents wearing a face covering.

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.

In person attendance by the public will be limited to 14 which is 50% capacity of the room less Main Street Advisory Board Members and required staff and should by separated by at least six (6) feet from other groups attending the meeting together. 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.

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

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CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

HEARING OF RESIDENTS

Temporarily suspended as noted above.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

- 1. Discuss, Consider and Possible Action regarding whether we should select new board members or take two seats away from the Advisory Board.
- 2. Discuss, Consider and Possible Action regarding Plan of Work.
- 3. Discuss, Consider and Possible Action regarding reimbursing the GEDC \$0.29 for the extra payment of façade funds in the SouthStar Account.
- 4. Discuss, Consider and Possible Action on the SouthStar Account closing after the last façade grant has been paid: 608 St. Paul.

REPORTS

- 1. Promotion Committee Report (as group/board) please remember to: Advertise! Grants, Events, helping local businesses advertise, share on social media, etc.
- 2. Organization Committee Report –Please help get sponsorships, have you joined a committee yet? Winterfest/Decorating Sub-Committee: Meeting Monday, 9:00AM at the Warehouse on Saint John Street.
 - Concert Series Greg, Carlos, & Britney: Announcements
- 3. Design Report Working on Grants with several people (4)
- 4. Economic Vitality Report –
- 5. Financials:
- 6. Main Street Manager Liz Reiley's report: TXCDBG Grant was funded by the GEDC for the matching 50K in funds out of our already budgeted line item, Veterans/ Other Banners, Bank Account status, Thank You, Sarah!
- 7. Board Members Request for agenda items & announcements
- 8. Set date and time for next meeting: April 19, 2021.

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CERTIFIED as posted by <u>9:30 PM on Friday, March 12, 2021</u>, I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of the above stated meeting: Gonzales Inquirer

Liz Reiley, Main Street	Director
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