

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS

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Daiquiri Beebe, Ward 1
Russell Humphrey, Ward 2
Blake Irving, Ward 3
Mayor Pro Tem Joe P. Rodriquez, Ward 4

HUNTSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

REGULAR SESSION 6 P.M. IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,

HUNTSVILLE CITY HALL, 1212 AVENUE M, HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS 77340

City hall will implement 6-foot social distancing for those in attendance. The City reserves the right to take temperatures of those wanting to attend and requires attendees to wear face masks, subject to Attorney General Order GA-029. The City reserves the right to deny access to the meeting because of the above requirements for the safety of its citizens. For those who cannot attend because of the social distancing requirements or for the reasons listed above, the meeting will be broadcast live on the City website at www.HuntsvilleTX.gov/Meetings or on Facebook. The meeting will be recorded, and such recordings will be made available on the City website at www.HuntsvilleTX.gov. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's office (936.291.5413), two working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

MAIN SESSION [6 P.M.]

CALL TO ORDER and INVOCATION AND PLEDGES - U.S. Flag and Texas Flag: *Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one, and indivisible.*

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Public comments will be called for by the presiding officer before action is taken on these items. (*Approval of Consent Agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with staff recommendations. An item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion by request of a member of Council.*)

- a. Approve the minutes of the City Council meeting held February 23, 2021. [Ashley Newsome, Deputy City Secretary]
- b. Consider authorizing the City Manager to apply for and accept the FY 2021-2022 Victims' Service Coordinator Grant for \$79,394.50, plus \$20,348.62 City match and adopting Resolution 2021-07 in support of same. [Kristie Hadnot, Grants Manager]
- c. Consider the award of a fiber optic line installation project to Network Cabling Services, Inc (NCS) to route conduit and fiber optic line from the Aquatic Center to the Lower Pressure Plane Water Plant facility. [Bill Wavra, IT Director, Y.S. "Ram" Ramachandra, City Engineer]

2. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. **FIRST READING-** Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Burditt Consultants, LLC for design and construction of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center. [Penny Joiner, Parks and Leisure Director]
- b. Consider authorizing the City Manager to apply for the FY 2020 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for \$973,804.44 and adopting Resolution 2021-08 in support of same. [Greg Mathis, Fire Chief]

3. CITY COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY MANAGER

- a. Consider resolution 2021-09 in opposition to House Bill 749 and Senate Bill 234 that would end the use of public funding for lobbyists. [Daiquiri Beebe, Councilmember Ward 1]

4. REQUESTS FOR CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

An opportunity for citizens to be heard on any topic and for the City Council to participate in the discussion. No action will be taken.

None submitted.

5. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

(Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Councilmembers, and City staff, for which no action will be discussed or taken.)

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 – to receive legal advice in regards to the Walker County Hospital Corporation d/b/a Huntsville Memorial Hospital (Bankruptcy No. 19-36300) filed in US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.
- b. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.074 – personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, concerning the position of City Secretary.

8. RECONVENE

Take action on items discussed in executive session, if needed.

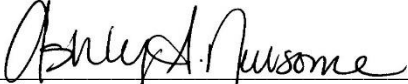
ADJOURNMENT

*If, during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, City Council determines that a Closed or Executive session of the Council is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 – consultation with counsel on legal matters; 551.072 – deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; 551.073 – deliberation regarding a prospective gift; 551.074 – personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; 551.076 – implementation of security personnel or devices; 551.087 – deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Sec. 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits; and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a Closed or Executive session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the City Council will reconvene in Open Session to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during Executive Session.

CERTIFICATE

I, Ashley Newsome, Deputy City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the March 2, 2021 City Council agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.HuntsvilleTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

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Ashley Newsome, Deputy City Secretary