

CITY OF HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS
Andy Brauninger, Mayor

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Clyde D. Loll, Position 3 At-Large
Mari Montgomery, Position 4 At-Large



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

Notice is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the Huntsville City Council to be held April 7, 2020, beginning at 6:00 P.M. by teleconferencing for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action. The Chambers at City Hall will be closed.

The Governor of Texas has issued an Executive Order with guidelines for the temporary suspension of certain portions of the Texas Open Meetings Act in order to avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people during the COVID-19 virus pandemic. This allows cities to have council meetings via teleconference and to conduct executive sessions via teleconference. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of the virus by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the City Council. Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via Toll-Free Dial-in Number: 1-866-899-4679; Access code: 456-309-357, or watch the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone: www.HuntsvilleTX.gov/Meetings. An electronic copy of the agenda can be found at the following link: www.HuntsvilleTX.gov/AgendaCenter and posted outside on the bulletin board in front of City Hall.

MAIN SESSION [6:00 P.M.]

CALL TO ORDER (Roll Call)

INVOCATION AND PLEDGES BY MAYOR PRO TEM - U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

1. PRESENTATION

- a. Hear presentation and consider approval of the audit for FY18-19 from Pattillo, Brown, and Hill, LLP, CPAs. [Steve Ritter, Finance Director]

2. 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 on March 17, 2020. [Brenda Poe, City Secretary]
- b. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Schaumburg & Polk, Inc. for professional engineering services for FY19-20 Waterline Replacement Projects. [Y. S. "Ram" Ramachandra, City Engineer]
- c. Consider adoption of Ordinance 2020-20 to amend the budget for FY 19-20 and/or CIP Project budgets. [Steve Ritter, Finance Director]
- d. Consider authorizing the City Manager and the City Attorney to draft and enter into an agreement with the Community Organization for Missionary Endeavor, Inc. (C.O.M.E. Center) to waive construction-related permit fees. [Dee Howard Mullins, Councilmember At-large Pos. 2]

3. STATUTORY AGENDA

- a. **SECOND READING** - Consider adoption of Ordinance 2020-18 to approve regulating the operation of Personal Mobility Devices, second reading. [Darryle Slaven, Asst. Chief of Police]

- b. **FIRST READING** - Consider authorizing the City Manager to approve a purchasing agreement with FleetCor for Fuelman fuel cards for off-site point of sale fueling of City vehicles, first reading. [Brent S. Sherrod, P.E., Director of Public Works]

4. CITY COUNCIL/CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY

- a. Consider approving nominees for City boards, committees, and commissions. [Andy Brauninger, Mayor]
- b. **FIRST READING** - Consider and possible action to adopt Ordinance No 2020-22 approving the settlement of a proposed rate increase of Centerpoint Energy Resources Corp in the Beaumont/East Texas Division, first reading.
- c. Consider Ordinance 2020-23 amending Chapter 42 “Taxation” to temporarily modify the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) reporting and payment schedule. [Aron Kulhavy, City Manager]
- d. Discussion, consideration and possible action on Coronavirus (COVID-19) and to authorize the Mayor to extend any Declaration of Disaster past the period determined by City Council on March 17, 2020 by adoption of Ordinance 2020-21. [Andy Brauninger, Mayor]

5. 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.

Judith Zeigler would like to discuss accessibility.

6. MEDIA INQUIRIES RELATED TO MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

7. 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.)

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. City Council will convene in closed session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, 551.071 to receive legal advice on the annexation of Area E and the annexation of areas “A” thru “G” and lawsuits filed in Cause No. 1929442, Billingsley, et al v City of Huntsville, regarding said annexation. [Leonard Schneider, City Attorney]

9. 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, Brenda Poe, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the April 7, 2020 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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