CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the Rockport City Council will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas. The matters to be discussed and acted upon are as follows:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the attorney general has said: “statutes that may be interpreted to require face-to-face interaction between members of the public and public officials are suspended; provided, however, that the governmental bodies must offer alternative methods of communicating with their public officials.” All Public comment on any Agenda item shall be provided in written format via email, post, or hand delivery to the City Secretary no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting. The Mayor will read the comments and they will be entered in the minutes of the meeting. Verbal comments will not be received.

Opening Agenda

1. Call meeting to order.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.


4. Citizens to be heard.
   At this time, written comments received 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read by the Mayor and entered in the minutes of the meeting. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda.

Consent Agenda

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.


6. Deliberate and act on an extension of the current Bank Depository and Treasury Management Services Contract with Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. for a one-year period beginning May 1, 2020, and ending April 30, 2021, and authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute all necessary documents.

7. Deliberate and act on request from Rockport Center for the Arts for use of the festival site beginning June 22, 2020 through July 10, 2020, for the 51st Annual Rockport Art Festival.

8. Deliberate and act on 2nd quarter Report from Rockport Center for the Arts for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 marketing expenditures.

10. Deliberate and act on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rockport, Texas, amending Resolution 2020-04 by postponing, ordering and providing notice of a General Election for the City of Rockport, Texas, to be held on the 3rd day of November 2020, and resolving other matters incident and related to such election.

11. Deliberate and act on a Resolution of the City of Rockport, Texas, finding that AEP Texas Inc.'s application to amend its distribution cost recovery factors to increase distribution rates within the City should be denied; authorizing participation with the cities served by AEP Texas; authorizing hiring of legal counsel; finding that the City's reasonable rate case expenses shall be reimbursed by the Company; finding that the meeting at which this Resolution is passed is open to the public as required by law; requiring notice of this Resolution to the company and legal counsel.

12. Deliberate and act on a Resolution of the City Council of Rockport, Texas, conditionally accepting sanitary sewer facility improvements and accepting a public utility easement related to a wastewater service and connection agreement with Rockport Coral Reef LLC.

Public Hearings


14. Conduct a Joint Public Hearing with the Rockport Planning & Zoning Commission to consider a request for a Conditional Use Permit allowing the continuation of a recreational vehicle (RV) and manufactured home (MH) park on properties located 1233 and 1301 Jim's Smokehouse Road; also known as Lot 13-D, Block 247, Foor & Swickheimer Tracts, Charles Zenn Survey, A-226, and 22.60 acres being out of Tracts 12 & 13 out of Landblock 247 of the Foor and Swickheimer Subdivision, Volume 1, Page 28, Plat Records of Aransas County, City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas; currently zoned R-1 (1st Single Family Dwelling District).


Regular Agenda


17. Deliberate and act on the Heritage District Certificate of Appropriateness Application submitted for 106 South Austin – Design Exception (Facade, Windows and Doors.)

18. Deliberate and act on second & final reading of an Ordinance amending the Official Zoning Map as stipulated under Article 4.1 of the City of Rockport Zoning Ordinance Number 1027 by changing the zoning of land from R-1 (1st Single Family Dwelling District) for property located at 1740 W. Corpus Christi Street; also known as 2.613 acres out of Tract Nos. 4 and 5, Peninsula Oaks Subdivision Unit No. 3, according to the Plat recorded in Volume 3, Page 34, Plat Records of Aransas County, City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas; to B-1 (General Business District) for an investment and potential shop space; repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

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19. Deliberate and act on first reading of an Ordinance amending the City of Rockport Code of Ordinances Chapter 102 “Utilities”, Section 102-202 “Permit to Deposit Septic Tank Waste into Wastewater System”; providing for the validity of said Ordinance, repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date.

20. Deliberate and act on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Rockport, Texas, extending a Declaration of Local Disaster for the period of April 15 – May 4, 2020; establishing rules and regulations for the duration of the disaster; restricting certain activities; and establishing penalties for violations.

21. Deliberate and act on appointment of council representative to fill Council Member’s unexpired term on the Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation Board of Directors.

22. Hear and deliberate on status of Census 2020 effort.


   At this time, the City Council will report/update on all committee assignments, which may include the following: Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation; Aransas Pathways Steering Committee; Building and Standards Commission; Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program; Coastal Bend Council of Government; Park & Leisure Services Advisory Board; Planning & Zoning Commission; Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce; Aransas County Storm Water Management Advisory Committee; Rockport Cultural Arts District, Swimming Pool Operations Advisory Committee; Tourism Development Council; Tree & Landscape Committee; YMCA Development Committee; Texas Maritime Museum, Fulton Mansion, Rockport Center for the Arts, Aransas County, Aransas County Independent School District, Aransas County Navigation District, Town of Fulton, and Texas Municipal League. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time.

25. Adjournment.

Special Accommodations
This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary’s office at (361) 729-2213, ext. 225 or FAX (361) 790-5966 or email citysec@cityofrockport.com for further information. Braille is not available. The City of Rockport reserves the right to convene into executive session under Government Code §551.071- §551.074 and §551.086.

Certification
I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas on Thursday, April 9, 2020, by 5:00 p.m. and on the City’s website at www.cityofrockport.com. I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of this meeting as stated above: The Rockport Pilot and Corpus Christi Caller Times.

Teresa Valdez, City Secretary