



**CITY OF ROCKPORT**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 ~ 6:30 P.M.**  
**ROCKPORT SERVICE CENTER**  
**2751 STATE HIGHWAY 35 BYPASS**  
**ROCKPORT, TEXAS 78382**

Mayor Tim Jayroe

Mayor Pro Tem (Ward 4) Andrea Hattman  
Councilmember (Ward 1) Stephanie Rangel

Councilmember (Ward 2) Matt Anderson  
Councilmember (Ward 3) Brad Brundrett  
Vanessa Shrauner, City Manager

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Notice is hereby given that Rockport City Council will hold a regular meeting on the above-mentioned date, time, and location. The meeting will be held in person at the location mentioned above. The live stream link to view the meeting is <https://www.youtube.com/@rockporttxgov>.

The City Council welcomes citizen participation and comments at all City Council Meetings on any Agenda item or any subject matter.



**Written comments submitted by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting.**

- i. Complete the Speaker Card – locate the card by scanning the QR Code or online at <https://rockport.seamlessdocs.com/f/CouncilCitizenParticipation>
- ii. Written Comments received by the deadline will be read.

**Sign up in person.**

- i. Speaker's cards are located at the entrance of the meeting room and must be delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins.
- ii. Any citizen with handouts should provide them to the City Secretary before the meeting. If you wish the City Council to receive your handouts for the meeting, please provide 8 copies; if not, the City Council will receive your handouts the following day.

**Rules for Citizen Participation**

- i. Speakers will be limited to three minutes.
- ii. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

**NOTE:** Notice is hereby given that other elected or appointed officials may attend the City Council Meeting at the date and time above in numbers that may constitute a quorum. No action or minutes will be taken by such in attendance.

This facility is wheelchair-accessible, and parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodation or interpretive services must be made 48 hours before this meeting. Please get in touch with the City Secretary's office at (361) 729-2213, ext. 225, or FAX (361) 790-5966 or email [sgoodwin@rockporttx.gov](mailto:sgoodwin@rockporttx.gov) for further information. Braille is not available.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. CEREMONIAL MATTERS/PROCLAMATIONS/EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION**

#### **IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Speaker participation instructions are provided in writing at the beginning of the agenda. **NOTE:** The Texas Open Meetings Act permits a member of the public or a member of the governmental body to raise a subject that has not been included in the notice for the meeting. However, any discussion of the subject must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting, and any response to a question posed to the City Council is limited to either a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy. TEX. GOV'T CODE § 551.042 has not been posted on the agenda.

#### **V. CONSENT**

The following items may be acted upon in a single motion. No separate discussion or action on any of these items will be held unless pulled at the request of a member of the City Council.

1. Consider the approval of the City Council Minutes for the August 27, 2024, City Council Regular Meeting (Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary)

#### **VI. BUDGET AND TAX RATE RELATED ITEMS**

2. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 City of Rockport Budget
  - i. Hold a public hearing to receive comments for or against the proposed FY 2025 Budget
  - ii. Consider the approval of a single reading of Ordinance 1948 adopting a budget and appropriating resources for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025; in accordance with existing statutory requirements; repealing all conflicting Ordinances; containing severability clause; and providing for an effective date (Robbie Sorrell, Finance Director)
3. Consider the approval of second and final reading of Ordinance 1949 approving the assessment and renditions for the 2024 taxable property as submitted by the Appraisal District; levying a Tax Rate for \$100.00 valuation for the City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas for the Tax Year 2024 of \$0.235544 for the purpose of Maintenance and Operation, \$0.169750 for the payment of Principal and Interest on Debt of the City for a Total Tax Rate of \$0.405294; providing for a Lien on all Real and Personal Property to secure payment of taxes due thereon; containing a severability clause; repealing all Ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith; and providing an effective date.

This Tax Rate will raise more taxes for Maintenance and Operations than last year's Tax Rate.

The Tax Rate will effectively be raised by 14.57 percent and will raise taxes for Maintenance and Operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$21.96 (Robbie Sorrell, Finance Director)

4. Consider the approval to ratify the 2024-2025 property tax increase to support the 2024-2025 Annual Budget and Capital Improvement Plan. (Robbie Sorrell, Finance Director)
5. Consider the approval of a single reading of Ordinance 1954 authorizing the issuance of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in principal amount of City of Rockport, Texas Tax Note, Series 2024; securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual Ad Valorem Tax; and approving and authorizing the execution of a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, a purchase letter, and all other instruments and procedures related thereto (amount will be provided after the sale and at the meeting) (Robbie Sorrell, Finance Director)

#### **VII. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING**

6. A request from JWTC to change the zoning of land located at 1117 N. Live Oak (Carey Dietrich, Asst. Director Building & Development/ Community Planner)

- i. Hold a public hearing to receive comments for or against the request
  - ii. Consider approval on first of two readings of Ordinance 1955 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 R1 (1st Single Family Dwelling District) for property located at 1117 N Live Oak St.; also known as lots 5 – 12, Block 245, Smith & Wood Subdivision; to R3 (Duplex Dwelling District); repealing all Ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.
7. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1946 designating a geographic area located within the City of Rockport as a Reinvestment Zone for Tax Increment Financing purposes pursuant to Chapter 311 of the Texas Tax Code to be known as Rockport Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1; describing the boundaries of the zone; establishing a Tax Increment Fund for the Zone; creating a Board of Directors for such Zone; providing a date for termination of the Zone; containing findings and provisions related to the foregoing subject; and providing a severability clause; establishing an effective date; and providing for related matters. (Vanessa Shrauner, City Manager)
8. Consider the approval of the second and final readings of Ordinance 1947 amending Ordinance No. 1911 which adopted the 2023-2024 Budget beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024; repealing all prior Ordinances in conflict herewith; providing for publication; and providing for an effective date (Budget amendment #6) (Robbie Sorrell, Director of Finance)
9. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1950 amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 102 “Utilities” Article II. “Water Service”, Division 3. “Service Charges” by amending water rates and fees for all customers; providing for the validity of said Ordinance; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date (Robbie Sorrell, Director of Finance)
10. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1951 amending the Code of Ordinances Chapter 102, ‘Utilities’, Article IV. ‘Surcharge Revenue Account’, by amending Section 102-401 “Surcharge”, to increase surcharge fee repealing all ordinances in conflict herewith; providing for severability; and providing an effective date (Robbie Sorrell, Director of Finance)
11. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1952 amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 102 “Utilities” Article I. “In General,”, sections 102-1, 102-3, 102-7 and 102-9 and Article II. “Water Service,” Section 102-28 and adding section 102-15 regarding amending fees and adopting additional fees for utility services, including meter tampering fees; providing for the validity of said ordinance; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date (Robbie Sorrell, Director of Finance)
12. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1953 amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 102 “Utilities” Article III. “Wastewater Service”, Division 4. “Service Charges” by amending wastewater rates for all inside city customers; providing for the validity of said Ordinance; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for effective date(s) (Robbie Sorrell, Finance Director)

13. Consider the approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance 1942 granting a Conditional Use Permit for the purpose of allowing the use of a Park Model RV as an office on the property located at 2562 FM 3036; also known as a76 Joseph Hollis Survey, 2.131 acres, City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas; subject to compliance with the conditions stated within this Ordinance, as well as those stipulated in the City of Rockport Code of Ordinances; repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for severability; and providing an effective date (postponed from the August 27, 2024 Regular Meeting) (Carey Dietrich, Asst. Director Building & Development/ Community Planner)
14. Consider the approval of Resolution 2024-21R appointing members to the Convention and Visitor Bureau and establishing terms of office (Shelley Goodwin, City Secretary)

## **VIII. OTHER ACTION ITEMS AND UPDATES**

15. Consider the approval of a Construction Change Directive #3 related to the new City Hall project (Kimberly Henry, Assistant to the City Manager)
16. Consider the request from the Tree & Landscape Committee to utilize funds from the Tree Preservation and Mitigation Account in the amount is \$2,270.00 for the purpose of covering the overage of the original funding approved by City Council for the lease of Billboards (total cost \$13,320.00) (Carey Dietrich, Asst. Director Building & Development/ Community Planner)
17. Consider the request from the Tree & Landscape Committee to utilize funds from the Tree Preservation and Mitigation Account in the amount of \$9,800.00 for the purpose of removing dead wood from the trees at Wandering Oaks Park. (Carey Dietrich, Asst. Director Building & Development/ Community Planner)

## **IX. CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

The City Council will report/update on activities in respective Wards, and all committee assignments. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time.

## **X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Executive Session pursuant to:

- Note 1:** Texas Government Code § 551.071, Consultation with Attorney
- Note 2:** Texas Government Code § 551.072, Real Property
- Note 3:** Texas Government Code § 551.074, Personnel Matters
- Note 4:** Texas Government Code § 551.076, Security
- Note 5:** Texas Government Code § 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations
- Note 6:** Texas Government Code § 551.089, IT Security
- Note 7:** Texas Government Code § 551.0745, Personnel Matters Affecting County Advisory Board

*The City Council will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Council may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Council announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.*

18. Consider a legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding the Concho Street Project <sup>1</sup>
19. Consider a legal briefing and take appropriate action regarding the General Land Office (GLO) Drainage Projects <sup>1</sup>

## **XI. BUSINESS ITEM**

The City Council will reconvene into Regular Session upon the conclusion of the Executive Session;

the City Council may take action on any item posted in the Executive Session as necessary.

**XII. ADJOURN**

**CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that I, Shelley Goodwin, posted this Agenda at 4:45 p.m. on September 6, 2024, on the bulletin board of the City of Rockport Service Center, 2751 S. H. 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas 78382.



Shelley Goodwin, TRMC/CMC  
City Secretary