

REGULAR MEETING
LONE STAR CITY COUNCIL
FIRE HALL – 201 WEST INDUSTRIAL
November 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

We reserve the right to enter into Executive Session on any Agenda item pertaining to
TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. Sections 551.071-551.078, 551.087-551.089

In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, the City of Lone Star issues this public notice. If, during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in executive or closed session, the board will convene in such executive or closed session in accordance with Section 551 of the Texas Government Code, Et Seq. The City Council will consider and act on the following items:

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

This meeting will be closed to in-person attendance by the public. A temporary suspension 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. Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the Council. Emails may also be submitted. **Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via GoToMeeting Teleconferencing.** Citizens may join the GoToMeeting by logging on at <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/222802189> .They may also join by calling **+1 (646) 749-3122** and entering the Access Code: 222-802-189. Participants will be asked to mute their phones/microphones until invited to speak during the Public Comments part of the meeting. There will be an audio recording made of the meeting and uploaded to the City website the next business day.

Members of the public who wish to submit their written comments on a listed agenda item must submit their comments by emailing citysecretary@lonestartx.net or by calling 903-656-2311 for staff assistance.

Comments must be received before 3:00 p.m., Thursday, November 19, 2020.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

3. ELECTION MATTERS:

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Alderman Trent Duke by Mayor Randy Hodges.

Administer Oath to Newly Elected Officials – City Secretary Devon Whatley.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS: *[At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters or matters under litigation, for length of time not to exceed three minutes. No Council/Board discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law.]*

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 15, 2020.

6. REPORTS:

6-1: Judge/Court Report

6-2: Police Department Report

6-3: Fire Chief Report

- 6-4: Public Works Report
- 6-5: Water District Report
- 6-6: Financial Reports
 - a. Water and Sewer Fund
 - b. General Fund

7. ACTION ITEMS

7-1: Review, Discussion and Possible Action select a Mayor Pro Tem for the term of one year.

7-2: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council following comments from Beverly Williams and Donald Grant regarding their water bill following a leak and the maintenance of their ditch on Wildrose.

7-3: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council following comments from Sean Spencer with Heartland Playgrounds with an update on the Park Grant submitted by the Economic Development Corporation.

7-4: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider a request by the Economic Development Board to expend \$6,500.00 for the purchase of a concrete pad and 30'x30' pavilion at the City Park.

7-5: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider a request by the Economic Development Board to expend another \$500.00 to Bowie-Cass for additional lighting at the City Park.

7-6: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider a request by the Economic Development Board to expend up to \$1,000.00 for a toddler swing set at the City Park.

7-7: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider a request by Court Clerk Melissa Watkins to receive holiday pay as a part-time employee.

7-8: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider naming Associate Municipal Judge Rebecca Foster as the City's Municipal Court Judge.

7-9: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider approving the amendment of Ordinance 273, An Amended Ordinance Providing for Water and Sewer Rates; Water Tapping Fees; Connection, Reconnection, Transfer, and Other Miscellaneous Service Fees; An Increase In Amount of Deposit to Secure Payment of Bills; Establishing New Rates and Fees and The Terms and Conditions Thereof; Providing Penalty for Violation of Terms; Repealing All Prior Ordinances or Parts of Ordinances In conflict Herewith; and Providing A Severability Clause to include the \$20.00 Trip Charge adopted at the Regular Meeting of the City Council on October 15, 2020.

7-10: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to approve the withdrawal of \$57,005.31 from Water & Sewer CD 9925 on deposit at Community Bank for the purchase of a sewer jetter machine, as provided in the 2020-2021 Water and Sewer Fund Budget.

7-11: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to approve the withdrawal of \$18,289.80 from General Fund CD 92363 on deposit at Community Bank for the repaving of Lacewood Drive, as provided in the 2020-2021 General Fund Budget.

7-12: Review, Discussion, and Possible Action by the Council to consider authorization to issue requests for proposals (RFP) for administrative services and requests for qualifications (RFQs) for engineering services related to the 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA).

7-13: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council to adopt the City's holiday schedule for 2021.

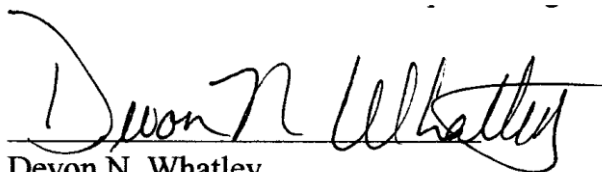
7-14: Review, Discussion and Possible Action by the Council to consider for hire, candidates for the City Secretary position.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: City Council to convene into executive session for the following issues:

8-1: To consider for hire, candidates for the City Secretary position (TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. § 551.074). The council will then re-convene in open session for review, discussion, and possible action on this matter.

9. ADJOURN

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at City Hall, City of Lone Star, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the city's website, www.lonestar.tx.net, in compliance with chapter 551, Texas Government Code, on the 16th day of November, 2020 before 5:00 p.m.


Devon N. Whatley
City Secretary

Note: Any subject placed on this agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated may be acted on by the City Council and may be legally approved at this 19th day of November, 2020 meeting. A quorum of the Economic Development Board may be present. No action will be taken by the Economic Development Board.