

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE  
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
CITY OF HOWE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THE 16th day of March 2021, AT 6:00 P.M., AT 700 W. HANING, HOWE, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED, TO WIT:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE TO FLAGS**

**PRESENTATION**

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

**PUBLIC REQUEST** – At this time comments will be taken from the audience on any subject whether or not that item is on the agenda. All comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or act on any of the items not posted on the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Consider/approve consent items which are marked by an \*.

- \* Minutes of January 19, 2021
- \* Finance statements – January & February 2021
- \* Election- Order of Cancellation of General Election
- \* Election- Certification of Unopposed Candidates- General Election
- \* Oncor Steering Committee Resolution 2021-0002

1. Discuss, consider and act upon consent agenda.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The City Council will open a Public Hearing to consider the request from Howard and Leta Porter for a zone change at 1200 E. FM 902, G-0925 PARK W A A-G0925, ACRES 1.862 from SF1 to MH1.

Proposed use: Mobile Home (one)

**END PUBLIC HEARING**

**PUBLIC HEARING****ORDINANCE NO. 781**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS, CREATING AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE FAT OIL AND GREASE INTRODUCED INTO THE CITY OF HOWE'S SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM. IT PROVIDES INCLUSION INTO ORDINANCE NO. 564 SEWER AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE REGULATIONS; WHICH PROVIDES FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE INSPECTION OF; GREASE INTERCEPTORS AND WELL BASINS. PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE AND A SEPARATE OFFENSE SHALL BE DEEMED COMMITTED EACH DAY DURING OR ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS OR CONTINUES; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK INJUNCTIVE RELIEF TO ENJOIN VIOLATIONS ALONG WITH OTHER ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AS THE DATE OF PUBLICATON AS REQUIRED BY LAW; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN AS REQUIRED BY LAW.**

**END PUBLIC HEARING**

2. Discuss, and consider the requested Zone Change by Howard and Leta Porter at 1200 E. FM 902.
3. Discuss, consider, and act upon Ordinance No. 781.
4. Discuss, consider, and act upon renewal of Loan No. 6071671, at the Independent Bank of Howe for the payments on two (2) police vehicles and authorize City Administrator Joe Shephard to sign and execute all related documents.
5. Discuss, consider and take action to amend Police Department budget, adding line item number 01-003-77366 (vehicle allowance for Chief of Police) in the amount of \$3,500 (three thousand five hundred dollars.)
6. Authorize monthly payment for vehicle allowance to the Chief of Police in the amount of \$500 (five hundred dollars).
7. Discuss, consider, and take action to amend the water, sewer, and solid waste budget by reducing the salary expenses of each by \$8,176 (eight thousand, one hundred and seventy-six dollars).
8. Discuss, consider and take action to amend street budget by adding line item number 01-004-73441 for extension of contract to Bobcat Lawn & Tree Farm LLC., for mowing expenses in the amount of \$24,528 (twenty four thousand, five hundred and twenty eight dollars).
9. Discuss, consider, and take action on renewal of EDC building lease.
10. Discuss, consider and take action giving staff direction as it relates to advertising for resumés for the position of City Administrator.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074, Personnel Matters; to deliberate in accordance with the authority contained in 551.074, PERSONNEL MATTERS; CLOSED MEETING:

**END EXECUTIVE SESSION****RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

## 11. Departmental Reports:

- a. Police Department.
- b. Utility Department.
- c. Code Enforcement.
- d. Municipal Court.
- e. Administration.
- f. Fire Department.
- g. Economic Development.

**ADJOURN**

Notes to agenda:

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in the Agenda.

The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071 – Consultation with attorney, Section 551.072 – Deliberation regarding real property, Section 551.073 – Deliberation regarding prospective gift, Section 551.074 – Personnel, Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, and Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

**Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day March 2021.**

By \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that I, Joy Stevens, City Secretary, posted this agenda in the outside display at 3:30 p.m. on March 12, 2021 at the City Hall of the City of Howe, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Request for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact Joy Stevens at 903-532-5571.

Removed on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021 at \_\_\_\_\_

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Joy Stevens  
City Secretary