

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THE 7th day of September 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

"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 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.

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to receive public input on the proposed 2021 Ad Valorem Tax rate of \$0.450001 per \$100 valuation for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and a rate of \$0.095561 on each valuation of property for the purpose of principal and interest on bonds and certificates of obligation.

END PUBLIC HEARING

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The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to receive public input on the proposed water and sewer rate increase for 2021-2022, Ordinance No. 784.

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The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to receive public input on the proposed Ordinance No. 785, prohibiting infiltration and other invasion of the City's sewer system.

END PUBLIC HEARING

CURRENT BUSINESS

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

- * Minutes of August 17, 2021, and August 24, 2021, Council Meetings
- * Finance statements – August 2021
- * Fire Protection Services Agreement with Office of Emergency Management FY2022

1. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve the Consent agenda.
2. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve Ordinance No. 783, Tax Rate for the City of Howe.

ORDINANCE NO. 783

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS LEVYING PROPERTY TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR, A TAX OF \$0.450001 ON EACH \$100 VALUATION OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND A TAX OF \$0.095561 ON EACH \$100.00 VALUATION OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTEREST AND SINKING ON BONDS AND CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.

3. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve Ordinance No. 784, an Ordinance revising and establishing water and sewer rates.

ORDINANCE NO. 784

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS, REVISING AND ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER SERVICE RATES, SETTING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE NEW RATES; ESTABLISHING A REPEAL CLAUSE; ESTABLISHING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

4. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve Ordinance No. 782, Budget for the City of Howe for 2021-2022.

ORDINANCE NO. 782

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022, PROVIDING FOR THE INTRA AND INTER DEPARTMENT AND FUND TRANSFERS; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE MORE TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY \$201,149.00 AND OF THAT AMOUNT, \$6777.65 IS TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR.

5. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve Ordinance No. 785, prohibiting infiltration and other invasion of the City's sewer system.

ORDINANCE NO. 785

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS PROHIBITING INFILTRATION OF RAIN OR GROUNDWATER INTO THE SEWER SYSTEM; REGULATING THE USE OF SEWERS; PROVIDING OPEN MEETING, SEVERABILITY, FEES, PENALTY, FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000.00 PER OCCURRENCE AND RELATED CLAUSES.

6. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve Howe Pre-Development and Professional Services Agreement.
7. 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 3rd day of September 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 September 3, 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.

Joy Stevens
City Secretary