

# City of Howe, Texas

# AGENDA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 15, 2023 6:00 pm

## Summit Gardens – City Council Chambers 100 E. O'Connell Street, Howe, Texas 75459

Citizens may appear before the City Council to address items not listed on the agenda, in accordance with procedural rules as determined by the meeting Chair and by submitting a "Public Comment Form" to the City Secretary no later than the conclusion of Agenda Item (Call to Order).

#### CALL MEETING 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, on Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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

**CONSENT ITEMS:** These items consist of non-controversial or "housekeeping" items required by law. Items may be considered individual by any Council member making such request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Items:

- 1. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting July 18, 2023
- 2. Approve the bills being paid for the month.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** The City Council invites citizens to speak to the Council on topics not already scheduled for public hearing or on the agenda. Citizens may address the Council for a **maximum of two minutes**. The Council is unable to respond to or discuss any issues that are brought up during this section that are not on the agenda, other than to make statement of specific factual information in response to a citizen's inquiry or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1. Discuss, consider, and act upon the reappointment of Dale Rideout as the City Representative board member for the library, for 2 years.
- 2. Discuss, consider, and act upon to approve the Howe Community Facilities Development Corporation (Type-B Economic Development) Articles of Incorporation and Bylaw adjustments.
- Discuss, consider, and act upon the appointment of Brandon Grooms and Kent Lowder as board members for the Howe Community Facilities Development Corporation (Type-B Economic Development).
- 4. Discuss, consider, and act upon the removal of Madison Snapp, Hannah Horsley, and Lisa Tibbetts as board members for the Planning & Zoning Board.
- Discuss, consider, and act upon the appointment of Cort Myrick as board member for the Planning & Zoning Board.
- 6. Discuss, consider, and act upon the moving of the Memorial Park sign.
- Departmental Reports:
  - a. Police Department.

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

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Law), the City Council may meet in a closed Executive Session pursuant to applicable laws.

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 – (1) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an public officer or employee; or (2) to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, and Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations, Section 551.089 – Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- a) Update on Wastewater Treatment Facility.
- b) Update on Saddleback Development (Connections Park Development Agreement Update).
- c) Update on Noble Ridge Development.
- d) Update on Smith Road.
- e) Discussion on the creation of position for a fulltime Fire Department Chief.
- f) Security relating to information resources technology and network security.
- g) Personnel
  - · City Administrator
  - Police Chief
  - Pending Written Complaints

### END EXECUTIVE SESSION · RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- Discuss, consider, and act on any items listed under closed or executive session, as needed.
- 9. Update Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- 10. Update Saddleback Development and Connections Park Development.
- 11. Update Noble Ridge Development.
- 12. Update on Smith Road.
- 13. Discus IT Services.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Respectfully submitted,

Karla McDonald, Mayor

City of Howe

I the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the City Council of the City of Howe, is a true and correct copy of said Notice: and that I posed a true and correct copy of said notice on a bulletin

board, located at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times at *HOWE CITY HALL* located at *116 EAST HANING STREET Howe, Texas* a place convenient to the public, and said Notice was posted on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2022 at **3:30 P.M.** and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 11th day of August 2023

City	Secretary	Regina Harris	