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## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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Notice is hereby given that the Rockport City Council will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in person at the Training Room of the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas with social distancing guidelines and using the video conferencing application ZOOM. A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or video conference 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.

Video conferencing capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the City Council. Members of the public can participate in the meeting remotely via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82964419320> or scan the QR code to the right.



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the attorney general has said: “statutes that may be interpreted to require face-to-face interaction between members of the public and public officials are suspended; provided, however, that the governmental bodies must offer alternative methods of communicating with their public officials.” Public participation is valued and citizens wishing to express their views on any topic or agenda item can electronically submit a citizen participation form in order to register to speak by going to <https://rockport.seamlessdocs.com/f/CouncilCitizenParticipation> or scanning the QR code to the right, or if attending the meeting in person register at the meeting. Using the same form, citizens can also provide written comments to the City Secretary by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. The Mayor will read the comments and they will be summarized in the minutes of the meeting.



The matters to be discussed and acted upon are as follows:

### Opening Agenda

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Citizens to be heard.

At this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from the audience from persons who have signed the speaker's card located on the table in the back of the Training Room of the Service Center and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins, or written comments received by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read by the Mayor and summarized in the minutes of the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Citizen Participation Form will have up to three minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. 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.

### Consent Agenda

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

4. Deliberate and act on approval of Special Meeting/Tour of City Facilities Minutes of June 14, 2021 and Regular Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2021.

5. Deliberate and act on 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report from the Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 marketing expenditures.
6. Deliberate and act on 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Report from Rockport Center for the Arts for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 marketing expenditures.
7. Deliberate and act on 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report from the Friends of the Fulton Mansion State Historical Site for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 marketing expenditures.
8. Deliberate and act on Lease Agreement with Aransas County Community Garden, Inc.
9. Deliberate and act on cancellation of October 12, 2021, Council Regular Meeting and the December 28, 2021, Council Workshop and Regular Meeting.
10. Deliberate and act to confirm Mayoral appointments to Tree & Landscape Committee.
11. Deliberate and act on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Rockport, Texas, extending a COVID-19 pandemic Declaration of Local Disaster for the period of June 22 – July 27, 2021; establishing rules and regulations for the duration of the disaster; restricting certain activities; and establishing penalties for violations.
12. Deliberate and act on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Rockport, Texas, extending a Declaration of Local Disaster (Winter Storm Uri) for the period of June 22 – July 27, 2021, establishing rules and regulations for the duration of the Disaster; and establishing an effective date.
13. Deliberate and act on an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Rockport, Texas, extending a Declaration of Local Disaster (July Flooding) for the period of July 15 – August 10, 2021; establishing rules and regulations for the duration of the Disaster; and establishing an effective date.

### **Public Hearing**

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14. Call to Order – Rockport Planning & Zoning Commission.
15. Conduct a Joint Public Hearing with the Planning & Zoning Commission to consider amendments to the City of Rockport Code of Ordinances related to adopting an amended Comprehensive Plan for the City of Rockport.
16. Adjourn – Rockport Planning & Zoning Commission.

### **Regular Agenda**

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17. Deliberate and act on second and reading an Ordinance of the City of Rockport Amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 94 “Taxation”. Article IV. “Hotel Occupancy Tax”; to update Sections 94-90 and 94-92 to read Monthly reports to the director of finance; repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

18. Deliberate and act on a Resolution directing the Aransas County Tax Assessor-Collector to calculate the voter-approval tax rate of the City of Rockport in the manner provided for a special taxing unit due to the Governor's state-wide declaration of disaster in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic; and declaring an effective date.

19. Hear and deliberate on status of COVID-19 and response efforts.

20. Reports from Council.

At this time, the City Council will report/update on all committee assignments, which may include the following: Aransas County Alliance Local Government Corporation; Aransas Pathways Steering Committee; Building and Standards Commission; Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program; Coastal Bend Council of Government; Coastal Bend Mayors Group; Park & Leisure Services Advisory Board; Planning & Zoning Commission; Rockport-Fulton Chamber of Commerce; Aransas County Storm Water Management Advisory Committee; Swimming Pool Operations Advisory Committee; Tourism Development Council; Tree & Landscape Committee; YMCA Development Committee; Texas Maritime Museum, Fulton Mansion, Rockport Center for the Arts, Aransas County, Aransas County Independent School District, Aransas County Navigation District, Town of Fulton, and Texas Municipal League. No formal action can be taken on these items at this time.

21. Adjournment.

### **Special Accommodations**

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's office at (361) 729-2213, ext. 225 or FAX (361) 790-5966 or email [citysec@cityofrockport.com](mailto:citysec@cityofrockport.com) for further information. Braille is not available. The City of Rockport reserves the right to convene into executive session under Government Code §§ 551.071-551.074 and 551.086.

### **Certification**

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas on Friday, July 9, 2021, by 5:00 p.m. and on the City's website at [www.cityofrockport.com](http://www.cityofrockport.com). I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of this meeting as stated above: *The Rockport Pilot* and *Corpus Christi Caller Times*.

  
Teresa Valdez, City Secretary