



**FORT STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024
5:30 PM**

MEETING LOCATION:

**121 WEST SECOND STREET
FORT STOCKTON, TX 79735**

AS A COURTESY, PLEASE PLACE YOUR CELL PHONE ON “SILENT” OR “VIBRATE.”

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AFTER DECLARING A QUORUM PRESENT.

MISSION STATEMENT: “The Mission of the City of Fort Stockton Municipal Government is to Promote & Value Public Confidence and Trust by the Accountable and Responsible Use of Community Resources; to Ensure Public Safety; Improve Public Services; Promote Local Recreation and Entertainment; and Generate Economic Development.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

IN PERSON: Citizens who desire to address City Council regarding matters on the Agenda **shall approach the podium when public testimony is being heard.** Discussion by City Council Members will only occur when an agenda item is scheduled for consideration. Prior to making comments, each speaker will be required to **provide his/her name and residential address.** Speakers will be **limited to 3 minutes.** Speakers making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks will be removed from the Council Chamber and will be barred from re-entering the room during the meeting.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

1. Public Testimony on Agenda Items.

PRESENTATIONS:

2. **Alex Gonzalez with BioCatters, LLC----**
 - Update on Blue Ridge Farms
3. **Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Remie Ramos----**
 - FY 2023-2024 1st Quarterly Report

4. **Dr. Gabriel Zamora Superintendent of the Fort Stockton Independent School District---**
 - Proposed AG Barn to be located on School Property

CONSENT AGENDA:

5. All matters listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Minutes: (Mayor)

- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council, 01/22/2024
- Special Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council, 02/01/2024
- Special Joint Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton City Council and Pecos County Commissioners Court, 02/06/2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Building and Standards Commission, 01/05/2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Historical Landmark Commission, 01/03/2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Keep Historic Fort Stockton Beautiful Board, 01/03/2024
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Economic Development 4-A Corporation, 11/16/2023
- Regular Meeting Minutes of Fort Stockton Economic Development 4-B Corporation, 11/16/2023

Accounts Payable Grand Total:

\$528,728.78

ORDINANCE:

6. Discuss/Act upon Ordinance No. 24-102, An Ordinance of the City of Fort Stockton, Pecos County, Texas, Establishing an Exemption from Ad Valorem Taxes for Qualifying Child-Care Facility Properties, As Authorized by Texas Tax Code Section 11.36; Providing for a Severability Clause; Providing for Related Matters.

RESOLUTIONS:

7. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 24-104R, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fort Stockton to File a Grant Application for the Criminal Justice Grant Program FY2025. **(C.O.P)**
8. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 24-105R, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fort Stockton to File a Grant Application for the Operation Lone Star Grant Program (OLS), FY2025. **(C.O.P.)**
9. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 24-106R, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fort Stockton to File Grant Application #4905102 to the Office of the Governor for the Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) for FY2023. **(C.O.P.)**

10. Discuss/Act upon Resolution No. 24-107R, A Resolution Authorizing the City of Fort Stockton to File a Grant Application with the Office of the Secretary, US Department of Transportation Raise Grant Opportunity. (**Annika Vasquez**)

REGULAR BUSINESS:

11. Discuss/Act upon 10-foot-wide Utilities Easement Agreement for 0.032 acres out of Lots 5, 6, 7, and 8, Block 39, OLD FORT ADDITION between Rook Properties, LLC and the City of Fort Stockton. (**City Atty.**)
12. Discuss/Act upon Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Fort Stockton and Texas Disposal Systems, Inc. (TDS) allowing TDS to divert excess Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) to the City of Fort Stockton Landfill. (**City Mgr.**)
13. Discuss/Act upon Lease Proposal for Approximately 360 Acres of Land, more particularly described as:
 - o All of Tracts 7, 8, 9, 10, Section 4, Block 2, Fort Stockton Irrigated Lands Company Land, Pecos County, Texas;
 - o Tracts 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63 and 64, Survey 5, Block 2, Fort Stockton Irrigated Lands Company Land, Pecos County, Texas.
 - o **Proposals Received:** *M & J Trucking Inc. dba M & J Ranches and Farm, Matt Garvin, Paul Gollither dba Gollither Cattle* (**City Mgr.**)
14. Discuss/Act upon Request for Proposals for Repair and Renovation of City Streets-2024. (**City Mgr./P.W. Dir.**)
15. Discuss/Act upon Authorizing Payment of \$302,977.64 for the Purchase of a John Deere 644 G-Tier Wheel Loader from YellowHouse Machinery Co. with Sourcewell Governmental Purchasing Cooperative, Contract No. 011723-JDC. (**P.W. Dir.**)
16. Discuss/Act upon Traffic Study off West Rio Street from Hornbeck to the Interstate. (**City Mgr.**)
17. Discuss/Act upon Appointment of one (1) Keep Historic Fort Stockton Beautiful Board Member to replace Ember Renteria. (**City Sec.**)
18. Discuss/Act upon Appointment of one (1) Historical Landmark Commissioner to replace Ember Renteria. (**City Sec.**)
19. Questions from the Media.
20. Adjourn.

City Council Reserves the Right to Consider Business Regardless of the Sequence of Posted Items & May Vote &/or Act Upon Each of the Items Listed in this Agenda.

At Any Time During the Meeting or Work Session and in Compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the City Council May Meet in Executive Session on Any of the Agenda Items or Other Lawful Items for Consultation Concerning Attorney-Client Matters (§551.071); Deliberation Regarding Real Property (§551.072); Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts (§551.073); Personnel Matters (§551.074); Deliberation Regarding Security Devices (§551.076); and Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations (§551.087). Any Subject Discussed in Executive Session May be Subject to Action during an Open Meeting.

Persons with Disabilities who Plan to Attend the Meeting and Who May Need Assistance, are Requested to Contact the City Secretary's Office @ 432.336.8525 @ least Two (2) Business Days Prior to the Meeting so that Appropriate Arrangements can be made.