



**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
HITCHCOCK CITY COMMISSION
HITCHCOCK CITY HALL
7423 HIGHWAY 6, HITCHCOCK, TEXAS
November 16, 2020, 6:00 P.M.**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Invocation**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Citizen Comments:**

PLEASE NOTE: Public comments and matters from the floor are limited to 3 minutes in length. If you would like to request to speak, please do so in advance of the meeting by filling out a Request to Address Commission form. All in attendance are required to remove hats and/or sunglasses (dark glasses) during meetings and to also silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

Speakers must address their comments to the presiding officer rather than to individual commissioners or staff. Speakers will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes to speak. Speakers making personal, impertinent, profane, or slanderous remarks will be given a warning before losing the privilege to speak or may be removed from the room. Unauthorized remarks from the audience, stamping of feet, whistles, yells, and similar demonstrations/distractions will not be permitted. No placards, banners or signs will be permitted in the Chambers or in any room in which the Commission is meeting. In accordance with the Texas State Open Meetings Act, the City Commission is restricted from discussing or taking action on items not listed on the agenda.

As authorized by Section 551.042 of the Texas Government Code, the Presiding Officer may direct a City Official to make a statement of specific factual information in response to an inquiry made by a member of the public or the City Commission or a recitation of existing policy in response.

- 5. Recognition of the Charter Review Members.**

- 6. Consent Agenda Items (A-C):**

All consent items listed are considered routine by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items, unless a Commission Member so requests, and if such a request is made, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

- (A) Approval of minutes for Regular Commission Meeting dated October 19, 2020.
- (B) Approval of Investment Report for the month ending October 31, 2020.
- (C) Approval of Accounts Payable Report for the month ending October 31,2020.

Items for Individual Consideration:

- 7. Discussion and appropriate action approving an Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Fee Schedule. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
- 8. Discussion and appropriate action rescheduling the regular City Council Meeting on January 18, 2021, Martin Luther King Holiday to January 11, 2021. (Ruth Ann Sorrell, City Secretary)
- 9. Canvassing the returns of the General and Special Election held on November 3, 2020 Election and declare results. (Ruth Ann Sorrell, City Secretary)
- 10. Discussion and appropriate action approving a Resolution declaring the results of the November 3, 2020 General Election of the City of Hitchcock. (Ruth Ann Sorrell, City Secretary)
- 11. Discussion and appropriate action approving a Resolution declaring the results of the November 3, 2020 Special Election of the City of Hitchcock. (Ruth Ann Sorrell, City Secretary)
- 12. Discussion and appropriate action adopting an Ordinance of the City of Hitchcock, Texas, ordering and declaring the 2020 Charter amendments adopted. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
- 13. Recognition of outgoing City Commissioner Mark Cook.
- 14. Swearing in of new City Council Members by Judge M. Douglas Rotenberry:
 - a. Mary Combs Demby City Council Member District 1
 - b. Wayne Newton City Council Member District 3
 - c. Andre Perkins City Council Member District 4
(Reception to follow after meeting adjourns)
- 15. Discussion and appropriate action on the appointment of a Mayor Pro Tempore for the City Council of the City of Hitchcock. (Randy Strickland, Mayor)

Executive Session:

- 16. Executive Session: Adjournment to Executive Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071(1) (A) to consult with the City Attorney to seek his advice on contemplated litigation and, Section 551.072 Real Estate.**

17. Reconvene into Open Session.

18. Consider possible action or give direction on items legally discussed in Executive Session.

19. Mayor and Commissioner Requests/Comments.

20. Announcements:

City offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday November 26 & 27, 2020.

City offices will be closed for the Christmas Holiday December 24 & 25, 2020.

21. Adjourn.

Reception

In order to best facilitate actions by the city commission items may be taken out of order as posted.

***If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Commission reserves the right to conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E, including but not limited to the following provisions: (1) Section 551.071 – consultation with attorney, (2) Section 551.072 – deliberation regarding real property, and (3) Section 551.074 – deliberation regarding personnel matters, and/or complaints against city personnel. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.**

I, RUTH ANN SORRELL, CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF HITCHCOCK DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING WAS POSTED AT CITY HALL IN THE CITY OF HITCHCOCK, TEXAS ON THE 13TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020 AT 4:00 P.M. AT A PLACE CONVENIENT AND READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING.

Ruth Ann Sorrell, City Secretary