



**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
HITCHCOCK CITY COUNCIL
HITCHCOCK CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
7423 HIGHWAY 6, HITCHCOCK, TEXAS
Monday, October 18, 2021, 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 Council 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 council members 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 Council is meeting. In accordance with the Texas State Open Meetings Act, the City Council is restricted from discussing or taking action on items not listed on the agenda.

Proclamation:

5. Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing October 2021 as “National Domestic Awareness Month 2021”.

Public Hearings:

6. Public Hearing on a change of Zoning request submitted by Lonnie Holt, Tri-Coast, Inc, from General Industrial (GI) to Single Family Residential (SFR) for the property in on Custer Street, ABST 13 PAGE 1& 3 PT of LOTS 8.9.12. & 13 (8-2) LM HITCHCOCK WEST. Galveston County CAD Account Number 156696.

7. Public Hearing on an Ordinance affecting participation of City employees in the Texas Municipal Retirement System granting the additional rights authorized by Section 854.202(g) of Title 8, Texas Government Code, changing the retirement eligibility requirement from 25 years of service any age to 20 years of service any age.

8. Consent Agenda Items (A-E):

All consent items listed are considered 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, 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 City Council Meeting dated September 20, 2021.
- (B) Approval of minutes for Special City Council Meeting dated September 22, 2021.
- (C) Approval of minutes for Special City Council Meeting dated September 27, 2021.
- (D) Approval of Investment Report for the month ending September 30, 2021.
- (E) Approval of Accounts Payable Report for the month ending September 30, 2021.

Items for Individual Consideration:

9. Discussion and appropriate action on a change of Zoning request submitted by Lonnie Holt, Tri-Coast, Inc, from General Industrial (GI) to Single Family Residential (SFR) for the property in on Custer Street, ABST 13 PAGE 1& 3 PT of LOTS 8.9.12. & 13 (8-2) LM HITCHCOCK WEST. Galveston County CAD Account Number 156696. (Arnold Cross Jr., Community Development Director)
10. Discussion and appropriate action approving an Ordinance affecting participation of City employees in the Texas Municipal Retirement System granting the additional rights authorized by Section 854.202(g) of Title 8, Texas Government Code, as amended prescribing the effective date for the ordinance. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
11. Discussion and appropriate action approving an Ordinance authorizing and allowing, under the Act governing the Texas Municipal Retirement System, "Updates Service Credits" in said system on an annual basis for services performed by qualifying members of such system who at effective date of the allowance are members of the City of Hitchcock; increase the rate of deposit to the Texas Municipal Retirement System by the employees; and establishing an effective date for the ordinance. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
12. Discussion and appropriate action approving a Resolution authorizing the submission of a Hazardous Mitigation Grant application for DR-4586 and further funding opportunities, appointing the Mayor as the Chief Executive Officer and authorized representative to act in all matters in connection with FEMA Mitigation Grants. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
13. Discussion and appropriate action approving a Resolution committing the City of Hitchcock to provide local matching funds to secure and complete the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Projects (Marie Gelles, City Manager)

14. Discussion and appropriate action regarding accepting an Architect Proposal for the renovation of the new City Hall building and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
15. Discussion and appropriate action to approve the American Rescue Plan Act Procurement Policies and Procedures. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
16. Discussion and approval of the engagement of Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, PC as special counsel to represent the City in contract negotiations with Gulf Coast Water Authority (GCWA) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the letter of engagement. (Marie Gelles, City Manager)
17. Discussion and appropriate action amending the City of Hitchcock's Code of Ordinances Title III entitled "Administration", Chapter 32 entitled "Departments, Boards and Commissions", Article II Entitled "Planning Board", Sections 32.15-32.20 and provisions for publication and an effective date. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)
18. Discussion and appropriate action amending the City of Hitchcock's Code of Ordinances Title XV entitled "Land Usage", Chapter 150 entitled "Building Regulations, Article VI entitled "Substandard Buildings or Structures", Section 150.57 and providing for publication and an effective date, (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community Development Director)
19. Discussion and appropriate action amending the City of Hitchcock's Code of Ordinances, Title XV entitled "Land Usage", Sections 156.32-.46 to change the name of the Planning and Zoning Board to the Planning and Zoning Commission and to amend other provisions consistent with Texas Local Government Code, Section 211.007. (Arnold Cross, Jr., Community)


EXECUTIVE SESSION:

20. 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 settlements, Section 551.074 (a) (1) Personnel Matters.
21. Reconvene into Open Session.
22. Consider possible action or give direction on items legally discussed in Executive Session.
23. Adjourn

In order to best facilitate actions by the City Council 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 City Council of the City of Hitchcock 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, (3) Section 551.074 – deliberation regarding personnel matters, and/or complaints against city personnel, and (4) Section 551.087 – deliberations regarding economic development negotiations. 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 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2021 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