

CITY OF GREGORY REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 4, 2021 @ 6:30 P.M.

Community Room of the Gregory Housing Authority 103 Granajo St.

In accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Gregory will conduct a face-to-face meeting in order to advance the public health goal of limiting to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) social distancing and the use of facial masks will be required.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. Written comments may be submitted to City Secretary norma.garcia@gregorytx.com up to two hours before the meeting. A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act upon written request.

Please be advised that the open meetings act prohibits the city council from responding and discussing your comments at length. The law only authorizes them to do the following:

- Make a statement of factual information.
- Recite an existing policy in response to the inquiry.
- Advise the citizen that this subject will be placed on an agenda at a later date.

No council member, staff person, or members of the audience shall berate, embarrass, accuse, or show any personal disrespect for any member of the staff, council members, or the public at any council meeting. This policy is not meant to restrain a citizen's first amendment rights.

AGENDA

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER and ESTABLISH QUORUM
- II. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE
- IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS None
- V. PRESENTATIONS None
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA (All of the following items are considered to be self-explanatory by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion; there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member requests)
 - a) Approval of minutes December 7, 2020 December 21, 2020 Lack of Quorum
 - b) Due to COVID-19 City Council meetings will be held at Gregory Housing Authority Community Room located at 103 Granajo St. starting January 18, 2021 with social distancing and mask requirements until further notice.

- c) Approve the appointment of Mr. Gregory R. Kindle as Associate Judge.
- d) Approve the appointment of Mr. Dave Furzer as Public Works Director.
- VII. ACTION ITEMS: The following items are for consideration, discussion and action:
 - a) Discussion with possible action on Statement of Objection to Ordinance 2020-12-02 to approval annexation of 30.46 acres.
 - b) Appoint a representative to the San Patricio County EDC.
 - c) Approval of Resolution 2020-12-05 an Order Establishing Procedures for City Officer's Special Election.
 - d) Discussion to set a meeting date to discuss Somerset Development with developers and financial advisors
 - e) Discuss to set date for workshop to discuss options for expansion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant and permit.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS None
- IX. CLOSED SESSION: City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Closed Session: N/A
- X. OPEN SESSION: The City Council will reconvene into Regular Session upon conclusion Of the Closed Session and may recall any item posted for Closed Session for action, as necessary: N/A
 - XI. OTHER
 - A. Reports
 - 1. City Staff
 - 2. Volunteer Fire Dept.
 - 3. Mayor and Council Members
 - 4. City Boards and Commissions (based on availability)
 - B. Request from Council Members for Future Agenda Items.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE:

I hereby certify that this public meeting agenda was posted in a public place at City Hall in the City of Gregory, Texas, in compliance with the requirements of public law for posting an agenda of all non-emergency meeting at least 72 hours prior to the call to order of said meeting.

POSTED: At 5:00 p.m. December 30, 2020

AGENDA NOTICES:

Decorum Required: Any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments may be ruled out of order by the Presiding Officer. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Presiding Officer that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal. **Action by Council Authorized:** The Council may vote or act upon any item within this Agenda. The Council reserves the right to adjourn into closed session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act.

Closed Sessions Authorized: This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City's legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Closed Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of Texas Government Code Chapter 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy Texas Government Code Chapter 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion

Attendance By Other Elected or Appointed Officials: It is anticipated that members of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commissions and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also noticed as a meeting of the City Council, other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action are specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.