



**CITY OF GREGORY
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GREGORY CITY HALL
206 W. FOURTH ST.
March 1, 2021 @ 6:30 P.M.**

In accordance with Governor Abbott’s Emergency Orders issued March 16, 2020, members of the Gregory City Council may attend this meeting by videoconference or teleconference.

Mask or other facial covering, social distancing and compliance with all COVID-19 protocols are required for any persons attending this meeting in person.

The public is strongly encouraged to attend meeting by videoconference or teleconference.

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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 Video conference 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
- V. PRESENTATIONS –
 - a) Presentation of Annual Racial Profiling Report by Chief Tony Cano
 - b) Municipal Complex Project Update by Mrs. Brannyn McDougal
- 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: Meeting of February 1, 2021
 - b) Approval to enter into Declaration of State of Local Disaster with San Patricio County, Texas Due to Winter Weather dated February 16, 2021
- VII. ACTION ITEMS: The following items are for consideration, discussion and action:
 - a) Discussion and possible approval of Donation Agreement between CKJV and The City of Gregory for a new Municipal Complex
 - b) Discussion and possible approval and support of an application to the Texas Forest Service to secure reimbursable funding for a new Brush Truck for the Gregory Volunteer Fire Department.
 - c) Discussion with action to set a date for budget workshop.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS –
 - a) Discussion and action of adoption of a No Confidence Resolution removing Presiding Municipal Court Judge Patrick Beam
 - b) Discussion and possible approval to terminate contract with Presiding Municipal Court Judge Patrick Beam.
 - c) Discussion and possible action on appointment of Karen Diaz as Presiding Municipal Court Judge and approval of related contract.
 - d) Discussion with possible action on appointment of Gregory Kindle as Associate Municipal Court Judge and approval of related contract.
- IX. CLOSED SESSION: CLOSED SESSION: City Council will recess its open meeting and reconvene in Closed Session:
 - a) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 – for consultation with the City Attorney and Special Counsel, to receive legal advice regarding a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Government Code, to include the following matters:
 1. Municipal Complex project and related contracts and agreements; Donation Agreement.
 2. Texas Commission Environmental Quality notification.

b) Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 (Personnel) and 551.071 (Legal Advice) - to deliberate the appointment, employment, and evaluation of a public officer, Municipal Court Judge Beam.

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.

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 12:00 p.m. February 26, 2021


Norma S. Garcia, City Secretary

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.