

LOUIS R. RIGBY
Mayor
BRANDON LUNSFORD
Councilperson At Large A
BRENT McCAULLEY
Councilperson At Large B
MANDI WILLIAMS
Councilperson District 1



CHUCK ENGELKEN
Mayor Pro Tem
Councilperson District 2
BILL BENTLEY
Councilperson District 3
RICK HELTON
Councilperson District 4
JAY MARTIN
Councilperson District 5
ROBBIE McLARRIN
Councilperson District 6

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the La Porte City Council to be held July 10, 2023, beginning at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chamber, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas,, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action.

Remote participation is available. Attend via a screen using the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83612181770?pwd=Y0JZOU54YzdUTFh4SEYvNVQvS1ZDUT09>.

Join by phone at 877-853-5257 or 888-475-4499. The meeting ID is 836 1218 1770 and the passcode is 642021.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **INVOCATION** – The invocation will be given by Lanier Young, St. John's Episcopal Church.
PLEDGES – Will be led by Councilperson Mandi Williams.
U.S. Flag
Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one, and indivisible.
3. **PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS**
 - (a) Recognition of City employees for years of service. [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]
4. **CITIZEN COMMENT** *(Generally limited to five minutes per person; in accordance with state law, the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or other considerations.)*
5. **CONSIDERATION OF COUNCILPERSON ABSENCES**
 - (a) Presentation, discussion, and possible action to excuse the absence of Councilperson Brandon Lunsford from the June 26, 2023, regular City Council meeting. [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]
6. **CONSENT AGENDA** *(Approval of Consent Agenda items authorizes each to be implemented in accordance with staff recommendations provided. An item may be removed from the consent agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion upon request by a member of the Council present at this meeting.)*
 - (a) Approve the minutes of the June 26, 2023, regular City Council meeting, and of the June 29, 2023, special City Council meeting. [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]
 - (b) Adopt Ordinance 2023-3942 authorizing an agreement between the City of La Porte, Texas, and Pattillo, Brown, & Hill, L.L.P. for professional auditing services for the City of La Porte Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2023, and through and including the City of La Porte Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2027. [Michael Dolby, Finance Director]
 - (c) Authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services contract between the City of La Porte, Texas, and Garver USA, for compliance assistance with EPA revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule, not to exceed \$85,852.00. [Ray Mayo, Director of Public Works]
 - (d) Approve the recommended date of September 11, 2023, for holding the public hearing on the City of La Porte's Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Proposed Budget. [Shelley Wolny, Assistant Finance Director]

7. STATUTORY AGENDA

- (a) Presentation, discussion, and possible action to increase the City of La Porte, Texas, Emergency Medical Service (EMS) billing rates for City of La Porte residents and non-residents commencing with the City of La Porte 2023-2024 budget year. [Lisa Camp, EMS Chief]

8. REPORTS

- (a) Receive report of the Fiscal Affairs Committee meeting. [Mayor Pro Tem Engelken]
- (b) Receive report of the Drainage and Flooding Committee meeting. [Councilperson Martin]

9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, July 20
- La Porte Development Corporation Board meeting, July 24
- City Council meeting, July 24

10. COUNCIL COMMENT *Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.*

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- (a) Texas Government Code Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters. Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee - City Council will meet in closed session with City Secretary Lee Woodward.
- (b) Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071(1)(A)-Pending or Contemplated Litigation. The City Council will meet in closed session with the City Attorney and City Manager to discuss claim in connection with settlement agreement between the City of La Porte, Texas, and Tradebe Environmental Services, LLC d/b/a Tradebe Treatment and Recycling dated November 11, 2019.
- (c) Texas Government Code Section 551.074 - Personnel Matters. Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public official or employee - City Council will meet in closed session to discuss the position of Municipal Judge for the City of La Porte.

12. RECONVENE into open session and consider action, if any, on item(s) discussed in executive session.

13. ADJOURN

If, during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, City Council determines that a Closed or Executive Session of the Council is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 - consultation with counsel on legal matters; Section 551.072 - deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Section 551.073 - deliberation regarding a prospective gift; Section 551.074 - personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; Section 551.076 - implementation of security personnel or devices; Section 551.087 - deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Section 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits, and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a Closed or Executive Session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the City Council will reconvene in Open Session in order to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during Executive Session.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's office (281-470-5019), two working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

CERTIFICATE

I, Lee Woodward, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the July 10, 2023, City Council agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.LaPorteTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

DATE _____
TIME _____
TAKEN DOWN _____

Lee Woodward

Lee Woodward, City Secretary