

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 **November 13, 2023**, beginning at 6:00 p.m. 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, also. Attend via a screen using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81354409883?pwd=WjBvZ1BabkFrQTdPMVQyTUFUWS9CUT09>. Join by phone at 888-475-4499 or 877-853-5257. The meeting ID is 813 5440 9883 and the password is 484826.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **INVOCATION** – The invocation will be given by Dr. Dee Spears, Fairmont Park 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) Recognize City employees for success in the 2023 Gulf Coast Sports Challenge [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]
 - (b) Recognition of City U. 2023 graduates. [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. **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 October 23, 2023, regular City Council meeting. [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]
 - (b) Adopt Resolution 2024-05 that denies an increase in revenue and a change in rates proposed by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corporation, D/B/A, CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas; authorizes continued participation in the Texas Coast Utilities Coalition of Cities; representation of the City by special counsel intervention in proceedings related to CenterPoint's Statement of Intent; and requires the reimbursement of municipal rate case expenses. [Corby Alexander, City Manager]
 - (c) Adopt Ordinance 2023-3959 amending the La Porte City Council Rules of Procedure by revising rules related to attendance of city council members at regular meetings of the City Council. [Councilpersons McCaulley and Helton and Mayor Pro Tem Engelken]
 - (d) Adopt Resolution 2024-04, casting the City's ballot for Mike Sullivan as the Harris Central Appraisal District (HCAD) board member representing cities other than the City of Houston, for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2024 . [Louis R. Rigby, Mayor]

- (e) Adopt Ordinance 2023-3960 for the purchase of real property located adjacent to the Five Points Plaza, legally described as Lot 18,19, and 20 in Block 198 of Town of La Porte, for an amount of \$80,000 and miscellaneous closing cost for an amount up to \$5000 for a total authorization not to exceed \$85,000 and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents associated with this purchase. [Matt Daeumer, Assistant City Manager]
- (f) Approve rollover of the requested encumbrances from City of La Porte Fiscal Year 2023 budget to the City of La Porte Fiscal Year 2024 budget. [Michael Dolby, Finance Director]
- (g) Approve the FY 2023 audit/asset forfeiture report and associated financial records as required by Chapter 59 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure. [Doug Ditrich, Chief of Police]
- (h) Authorize the purchase of sixty-six (66) sets of bunker gear in the amount of \$231,066.00 from Metro Fire Apparatus Specialist, Inc. utilizing Buy Board Contract 698-23. [Justin Crow, Assistant Fire Chief]
- (i) Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Unum/Stealth Partner Group to provide Stop Loss coverage in connection with the City of La Porte employee health plan for the 2024 plan year, for the amount of \$862,321.00. [Matt Hartleib, HR Manager]
- (j) Approve Fiscal Year 2023-2024 vehicle and equipment replacement purchases under the following cooperative purchasing contracts: TIPS #210907 and HGAC Buy contract SW04-20, totaling \$495,974.75. [Ray Mayo, Director of Public Works]
- (k) Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the existing engineering services contract between the City of La Porte and HDR, Inc. for design, bid, and construction phase services for the Lomax Lift Station Consolidation Project, in the amount of \$261,700.00. [Ray Mayo, Director of Public Works]
- (l) Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) in the amount of \$119,100.00, for three- (3-) year software service agreement Small Municipal and County Government Enterprise Agreement (SGEA), ESRI Quotation #Q-506952. [Teresa Evans, Director of Planning and Development]
- (m) Award Bid #24001 'Little Cedar Bayou Wave Generator Project' to Progressive Commercial Aquatics, Inc. in the amount of \$411,530.00, with a contingency of \$33,470.00, for a total authorization of \$445,000.00. [Tim Miller, Director of Parks & Recreation]
- (n) Authorize purchase of Neptune Technology Group, Inc. meters and parts from Core and Main of Houston, not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$342,500.00. [Michael Dolby, Finance Manager]

6. STATUTORY AGENDA

- (a) Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding a resolution authorizing publication of a notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation for funding of wastewater improvement projects. [Michael Dolby, Finance Director]

7. 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]
- (c) Present annual review of the City of La Porte Investment Policy. [Shelley Wolny, Assistant Finance Director]

8. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, November 16

9. 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.*

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- (a) Texas Government Code 551.072 - Deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property: The City Council will meet in closed session with City Manager and City Attorney to discuss potential purchase of real property located in the City of La Porte, Texas.
- (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 enforcement of zoning regulations applicable to real property located at 3337 Canada Road, La Porte, Texas.
- (c) 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 regarding development of real property located in La Porte, Texas.
- (d) 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 Manager Corby Alexander.

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

12. **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 November 13, 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