

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Effective March 16, 2020, Texas Governor Abbott suspended certain Open Meeting rules to allow telephone or video conference meetings of government bodies that are accessible to the public to decrease large groups of people from assembling. The suspension temporarily removes the requirement that government officials and members of the public be physically present at a meeting location. One or more members of the Athens City Council may be present via telephone conference or video conference.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Athens, Texas will meet in a Special Session on Monday, November 16, 2020, 5:30 p.m. in the Derek D. Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center, 201 West Corsicana St, Athens, Texas and immediately following convene in a Work Session. This meeting is open to the public; however, seating will be limited to maintain social distancing.

- 1) Invocation
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Public Communications
 - "Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the public communication section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the Mayor. Speakers shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Members of the public wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items may do so pursuant to the same time constraints as agenda items. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to City Staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item."
- 4) Discuss, consider and take action, as necessary, concerning the approval of a Resolution canvassing election returns of the November 3, 2020 City of Athens General Election [B. Hambrick]
- 5) Oath of Office and the Certificate of Election to re-elected Councilmember Place 2, Aaron Smith
- Oath of Office and the Certificate of Election to newly elected Councilmember Place 3, SyTanna Freeman
- 7) Oath of Office and the Certificate of Election to re-elected Councilmember Place 4. Robert Gross

- 8) Declaration of Conflict of Interest
- 9) Election of Mayor Pro Tem
- 10) Enter into Work Session
- 11) Discuss Dispatch Radio Communications System
- 12) Discuss Public Funding Applications for Fiscal Year 2021
- Discuss public events either sponsored by the City of Athens or inside a City owned facility with regards to the COVID 19 Pandemic
- 14) Adjourn

Executive Session (Closed Meeting): Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.087, 418.183(f), and 418.106(d) & (e). Refer to posted list attached hereto and incorporated herein.

If during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the City Council should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the City Council or a consultation with the attorney for the City should be held or is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session or consultation with attorney as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code § 551.001 et. seq., will be held by the City Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice as the City Council may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session or consult with the attorney for the City concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to, the following sanctions and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

- § 551.071 Private consultation with the attorney for the City.
- § 551.072 Discussing purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- § 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints or charges against personnel or officials.

"PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN."

"DE CONFORMIDAD CON LA SECCIÓN 30.06, CÓDIGO PENAL (ESTAR EN ESTA PROPIEDAD POR TITULAR DE LA LICENCIA CON UNA PISTOLA OCULTA), UNA PERSONA CON LICENCIA BAJO EL SUBCAPÍTULO H, CAPÍTULO 411, CÓDIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE LICENCIAS ARMA DE FUEGO), NO PUEDE ENTRAR EN ESTA PROPIEDAD CON UNA PISTOLA OCULTA."

"PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY"

"DE CONFORMIDAD CON LA SECCIÓN 30.07, CÓDIGO PENAL (ESTAR EN ESTA PROPIEDAD POR TITULAR DE LA LICENCIA CON UNA PISTOLA EN PLENO VISTA), UNA PERSONA CON LICENCIA BAJO EL SUBCAPÍTULO H, CAPÍTULO 411, CÓDIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE LICENCIAS ARMA DE FUEGO), NO PUEDE ENTRAR EN ESTA PROPIEDAD CON UNA PISTOLA EN PLENO VISTA"

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