
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the Rockport City Council will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in person at the Training Room of the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas. **The live stream link to view the meeting is: <https://www.youtube.com/@rockporttxgov>**

Public participation is valued and citizens wishing to express their views on any topic or agenda item can electronically submit a citizen participation form in order to register to speak by going to <https://rockport.seamlessdocs.com/f/CouncilCitizenParticipation> or scanning the QR code to the right, or if attending the meeting in person register before the meeting begins. Using the same form, citizens can also provide written comments to the City Secretary by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. The comments will be read at the meeting.



The matters to be discussed and acted upon are as follows:

Opening Agenda

1. Call meeting to order.

2. Citizens to be heard.

At this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from the audience from persons who have signed the speaker's card located on the table in the back of the Training Room of the Service Center and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins, or written comments received by 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any **Agenda** item or any subject matter, will be read at the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Citizen Participation Form will have up to three minutes to speak. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. While civil public criticism is not prohibited; disorderly conduct or disturbance of the peace as prohibited by law shall be cause for the chair to terminate the offender's time to speak.

Public Hearing

3. Conduct a public hearing on City of Rockport Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget.

4. Conduct a public hearing for City of Rockport 2023 Property Tax Rate for taxpayers to have an opportunity to express their views on the tax rate; the City of Rockport will adopt the budget and tax rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 on September 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 State Highway 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas.

Regular Agenda

5. Deliberate and act on second and final reading of an Ordinance amending the City of Rockport Code of Ordinances Chapter 102 "Utilities", Article II. "Water Service", Division 3. "Service Charges" by amending water rates for all customers; providing for the validity of said Ordinance; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date. If substantial changes to the proposed ordinance are made, this will serve as the first reading of said ordinance.

6. Deliberate and act on second and final reading of an Ordinance amending the City of Rockport Code of Ordinances Chapter 102 "Utilities", Article III. "Wastewater Service", Division 4. "Service Charges" by amending wastewater rates for all customers; providing for

the validity of said Ordinance; repealing all prior ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date. If substantial changes to the proposed ordinance are made, this will serve as the first reading of said ordinance.

7. Deliberate and act on first reading of an Ordinance of the City of Rockport approving the assessment and renditions for the 2023 taxable property as submitted by the Appraisal District; levying a tax rate for \$100.00 valuation for the City of Rockport, Aransas County, Texas, for the Tax Year 2023 of \$0.213583 for the purposes of Maintenance and Operation, \$0.146495 for the payment of Principal and Interest on debt of the City, and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.360078 which is effectively a 11.26% increase in the tax rate; providing for a lien on all real and personal property to secure payment of taxes due thereon; containing a severability clause; repealing all ordinances and parts thereof in conflict herewith; and providing an effective date. This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The tax rate will effectively be raised by 12.82% and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately (negative) \$-6.93.
8. Adjournment.

Special Accommodations

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's office at (361) 729-2213, ext. 225 or FAX (361) 790-5966 or email citysec@cityofrockport.com for further information. Braille is not available. The City of Rockport reserves the right to convene into executive session under Government Code §§ 551.071-551.074 and 551.086.

In accordance with the requirements of Texas Government Code Section 551.127, a member of the governing body may participate in this meeting from a remote location. A quorum of the governing body as well as the presiding officer shall be physically present at the above posted location, which shall be open to the public. Those participating remotely shall be visible and audible to the public for all open portions of the meeting. A member of a governmental body who participates in a meeting remotely as provided by law, shall be counted as present at the meeting for all purposes.

Certification

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the Rockport Service Center on Friday, September 1, 2023, by 5:00 p.m. and on the City's website at www.cityofrockport.com. I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of this meeting as stated above: *The Rockport Pilot* and *Corpus Christi Caller Times*.

Kimberly Henry

Kimberly Henry, Assistant to City Manager
on behalf of Teresa Valdez, City Secretary