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CITY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR MAJOR LONG-TERM COMMITTEES

ROCKPORT, TX – At its afternoon workshop meeting on Tuesday, February 28th, Rockport City Council confirmed the make-up of two, major citizen advisory committees that will assist in celebrating the city's history and look ahead to its future. Appointed members of the committees will be announced at a City Council meeting in March.

The Sesquicentennial Committee will help steer the planning and activities associated with the City's 150th anniversary in 2020. A preliminary outline has been developed and the committee will work with community partners to assist in its implementation. In addition to the Mayor, City Manager, staff and representatives of the Chamber and local taxing entities, the Committee will consist of volunteers in the areas of hospitality, tourism, real estate and history.

The Comprehensive Plan Committee will be tasked with reviewing and updating land use plans that promote the City's long term vision. While there are updated zoning maps currently in use, the future land use plan has not been updated since the 1990s. Under the guidance of the City's Community Planner, the committee will encompass representatives of local businesses, Home Owner's Association, developers, natural resource advocates and more.

The Sesquicentennial Committee will hold its first meeting within the next month and the Comprehensive Plan Committee will begin work in the Fall. Criteria for consideration include a minimum two-year commitment and either residency or employment within the city. Anyone interested in consideration for one of the committees should contact their City Council representative or call 361-729-2213 x 121 with their name and contact information.