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**Rockport, Texas** – The Rockport City Council recently announced the 2024 timeline and debuted a new policy for Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) grant requests.

The 2024 – 2025 application deadline is June 13th and applications will not be accepted after the deadline or before the orientation meeting

As in the past, the City Council reserves a portion of the city's HOT collections to support events, programs, or facilities that are reasonably likely to enhance the Rockport tourism and lodging industry.

The process will open with an orientation meeting on Thursday, May 23rd, at 10 a.m. in the Meeting Room at the Rockport Service Center, 2751 S.H. 35 Bypass. After this meeting, applications will begin to be accepted.

Applications will be reviewed by City staff to ensure their completeness and suitability based on state law requirements.

The City Council will receive the applications at their Regular Meeting on June 25<sup>th</sup> and provide directions to City staff. The City Council will hold a Special Meeting on July 9<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. to discuss Hotel Occupancy Tax and the possibility of asking the applicants questions.

For more information on the Hotel Occupancy Tax Funding Request process, please visit <https://www.rockporttx.gov/901/Hotel-Occupancy-Tax-Grant-Funding> or call the City Secretary (361)729-2213, ext. 225.