

**CITY OF RUSK, TEXAS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA**

**TELEPHONIC OPEN MEETING**

Rusk Civic Center  
555 Euclid Street, Rusk, Texas  
Thursday, April 15, 2020 – 12:00 P.M.

Angela Raiborn, Mayor  
Walter Session, Mayor Pro Tem, Council Place 2  
Ben Middlebrooks, Council Place 1                      Martha Neely, Council Place 4  
Martin Holsome, Council Place 3                      Frances Long, Council Place 5  
Jim D. Dunaway, City Manager  
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary  
Anthony J. King, City Attorney

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**This meeting will be closed to in person attendance by the public.** A temporary suspension of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the Council. Emails may also be submitted. **Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via Zoom Teleconferencing.** Citizens may join the Zoom Meeting by logging on <https://zoom.us/j/636689375> password **007878**. Meeting ID: **636 689 375** Password **007878**. They may also join by calling (888)-788-0099 and entering the Meeting ID: **636 689 375** and Password: **007878**. The meeting will be recorded and uploaded to the City website within 24 hours following the conclusion of the meeting.

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**Speaker request form, email or questions must be received before 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 15, 2020.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

**2. EXECUTIVE SESSION(S):** The City Council will convene into Executive Session to discuss the following:

- A. Consultation with City Attorney – Case 2:0-cv-00055-JRG, Texas Equal Access Fund and Lilith Fund for Reproductive Equity vs. City of Waskom, Et.Al. -Government Code Section 551.071 and the effects of possibly amending or repealing Ordinance No. 2020-01, Outlawing abortion within the City of Rusk and declaring Rusk a Sanctuary City for the Unborn.
- B. Personnel – Appointment and Confirmation of Chief of Police – Government Code Section 551.074.

3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION(S):** The City Council will reconvene into Open Session to take action, if any, on the matter(s) discussed in Executive Session.
4. Discuss and consider a sixty (60) day extension of the Mayor's Executive Order.
5. **ADJOURN**

The City Council reserves the right to hear any of the above described agenda items that qualify for an executive session in an executive session by publicly announcing the applicable section number of the open meetings act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) that justifies executive session treatment.

Posted: Thursday, April 9, 2020  
City Hall Bulletin Board  
By 4:30 P.M.

  
Cinda Etheridge, City Secretary

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