



**TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
AND REGULAR MEETING**
Monday, September 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Fulton Council Chambers, 201 N. 7th Street

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U.S. Flag and Texas Flag

OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE/PRAAYER

CLOSE REGULAR MEETING

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

1. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM: BUDGET

The purpose of this public hearing is to discuss the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget proposed for adoption by the governing body of the Town of Fulton.

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$14,716, which is a 1.99 percent increase from last year's budget. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$15,712.

2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM: TAX RATE

The purpose of this public hearing is to discuss a Tax Rate of \$0.266875 per \$100 valuation that has been proposed for adoption for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 tax year by the governing body of the Town of Fulton.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD (PUBLIC FORUM)

Public participation is valued and at this time, comments limited to three (3) minutes will be taken from persons who have signed the Speaker's Card located on the table inside the Council Chambers and delivered to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Written comments received by submission to the City Secretary in person or emailed to citysec@fultontexas.org by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting, on any subject matter that is not on the agenda, will be read and summarized in the minutes of the meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council and who have registered using the Speaker's Card will have up to three (3) 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

3. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 6, 2023.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

4. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Tax Rate of \$0.266875/\$100.
5. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Ordinance No. 313 an Ordinance adopting the tax rate and levy ad valorem taxes for use and support of the Municipal Government of the Town of Fulton, Fulton, Texas for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year; providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when same shall become delinquent if not paid and providing for publication.
6. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Town of Fulton Budget.
7. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Ordinance No. 314 an Ordinance making appropriations for the support of the Town of Fulton for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024; Adopting the Annual Budget of the Town of Fulton, Aransas County, Texas for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.
8. **Discuss/Approve/Disapprove** Ordinance No. 315, An Ordinance Relating to Office of Police Chief; Confirming the Appointment of Police Chief; Repealing Ordinances in Conflict and Providing for Severance.

CLOSED SESSION

The Town Council may elect to go into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Government Code on any Agenda item where appropriate and particularly Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and 551.074 (personnel matters), Government Code.

OPEN SESSION

Discuss/Approve/Disapprove any and all action necessary with regard to the preceding matter(s).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. Mayor's Update.
10. The next Regular Fulton Town Council Meeting will be held Wednesday, October 4, 2023, beginning at 6:00 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - PUBLIC NOTICE is given that the Town Council may elect to go into executive session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss any matters listed on the agenda when authorized by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. If the Council elects

to go into executive session regarding an agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the executive session will be publicly announced by the Mayor. The Council may deliberate and take action in open session on any issue that may be discussed in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE

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 361/729-5533 or by email at citysec@fultontexas.org for further information. Braille Is Not Available. The Town of Fulton reserves the right to convene into Closed Session under Government Code 551.071-551.074 and 551-086.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at Town Hall, 201 N. Seventh Street, Fulton, Texas, on Friday, September 15, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., and at the U.S. Post Office located at 301 Cactus Street, Fulton, Texas. I further certify that the following News Media were properly notified of this meeting as stated above: The Rockport Pilot.

/S/ Stephanie Garcia, City Secretary