



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Monday, March 14, 2022 – 6:00 PM

109 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas 75457

Our mission: to provide effective and fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner which promotes our high standard of community life.

Vision Statement Mount Vernon is a caring community committed to excellence and quality of life, aspiring to be the community of choice for ourselves, our children, and future generations – beautiful, clean, vibrant, and safe. We will strive to preserve our heritage, our friendly hometown atmosphere, and celebrate the diversity of all our citizens.

AGENDA

Call to order and announce a quorum is present.

Invocation and Pledges

Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda are approved by a single action of the Council, with such approval applicable to all items appearing on the Consent Agenda. A Council Member may request any item to be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a separate item.

1. Minutes 2/14/2022 and 3/8/22
February, 2022 Financial report

Report on Items of Community Interest

The City Council will have an opportunity to address items of community interest, including: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the City of Mount Vernon; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the City of Mount Vernon that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the City Council or an official or employee of the City of Mount Vernon; and announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the City of Mount Vernon that has arisen after posting the agenda.

Citizen Participation (3 minutes)

The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from responding to any comments other than to refer the matter to a future agenda, to an existing policy, or to a staff person with specific information. Claims against the City, Council Members, or employees, as well as individual personnel appeals are not appropriate for citizens' forum.

Public Hearing

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against a request made by Franklin County Industrial Foundation, President Bob McFarland, to rezone ten acres from Intensive Industrial (II) to Local Retail (LR) at their property located on the North Access Road, (west of LOVE'S Truck Stop) in Mt. Vernon, Texas.

The purpose of this hearing is to hear evidence for or against the use of American Rescue Plan Act funding..

Items to be Considered:

2. Consider and Act upon approval of Ordinance 2022-01 rezoning Franklin County Industrial Foundation property on the North Access Road.
3. Consider and act upon approval of Interlocal Agreement with Franklin County to share costs for Mitigation Plan
4. Consider and Act upon approval of the use of the funding of the American Rescue Plan Act.
5. Consider and Act upon approval of Resolution 22-08 awarding Traylor and Associates for administrative services in conjunction with the submittal of and application for funding through the 2022 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for DR-4485 COVID-19 Pandemic to provide application preparation, project administration, and project-related management services.
6. Consider and Act upon approval of Resolution 22-09 awarding KSA Engineers for engineering services in conjunction with the submittal of an application for funding through the 2022 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for DR-4485 COVID_19 Pandemic to provide application preparation and project implementation.
7. Consider and Act upon Ordinance 2022-04 Canceling the Election
8. Consider and Act upon amendment of section 2.13 of the Personnel Policies for the City of Mt Vernon
9. Consider and Act upon approval LOWES contract with EDC to purchase land behind the LOWES Distribution Center.
10. Consider and Act upon approval of setting three goals for 2022 for the City of Mt Vernon
i.e. Securing financing for infrastructure projects

Discussion Items and Mayor/Council/City Administrator Reports

Water, Sewer, Streets, Park, Sidewalks, Grants (City Admin)

Vision Statement

Main Street Report

EDC Report

Executive Session:

Personnel matters pursuant to *Texas Government Code, §551.074*, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, dismissal or resignation of a public officer: Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire Department Personnel Structure

Reconvene

Reconvene into Open Session to Consider Matters Discussed in Closed Session (If Any)

11. Vision Statement ideas

Presiding Officer to Adjourn the City Council Meeting

Notes to the Agenda:

Items marked with an * are consent items considered to be non-controversial and will be voted on in one motion unless a council member asks for separate discussion.

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this Agenda except for discussion-only items.

The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session under Sections 551.071/551.074 – of the Texas Open Meetings Act concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact the City Secretary at 903-537-2252 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that this Public Meeting Notice was posted on the outside bulletin board, at the front entrance of City Hall located at 109 N Kaufman St., Mount Vernon, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted on the following date and time:

Posted March 11, 2022 by 4:00 p.m. and remained so posted at least 72 hours before said meeting was convened.

Kathy Lovier, City Secretary

NOTE: The City of Mount Vernon, Texas meets regularly on the second Monday night of each month at 6:00 p.m. The Council follows a printed Agenda for official action. ***Any individual desiring official action should submit his/her request to the office of the City Manager not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the Council Meeting.***

/s/ Kathy Lovier

Kathy Lovier, City Secretary