



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Monday, October 12, 2026 at 6:30 PM

City Council Chambers | 202 N. Virginia Street, Port Lavaca, Texas 77979

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

The following item will be addressed at this or any other meeting of the city council upon the request of the mayor, any member(s) of council and/or the city attorney:

Announcement by the Mayor that council will retire into closed session for consultation with City Attorney on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act (Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code).

(All matters listed under the consent agenda item are routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.)

AGENDA

Council will consider/discuss the following items and take any action deemed necessary.

MEETING PROCEDURE

Public notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, will hold a regular meeting Monday, October 12, 2026 beginning at 6:30 p.m., at the regular meeting place in Council Chambers at City Hall, 202 North Virginia Street, Port Lavaca, Texas to consider the following items of business.

[After publication, any information in a council packet is subject to change during the meeting]

The meeting will also be available via the video conferencing application "Zoom",

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I. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

1. Pledge of Allegiance

III. MEETING SAFETY BRIEFING (911 ___, AED ___, EVAC ___, CPR ___, SAFETY ___)**IV. REVIEW OF VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT****Our Vision**

The Mayor and the City Council envision a friendly town on Lavaca Bay where economic and recreational opportunities abound, providing for a wonderful quality of life for both citizens and tourists, rich in history and looking toward a vibrant future

Our Mission

Our mission is to make Port Lavaca a desirable place to live through high-quality services, responsible use of public resources, and a progressive approach to community development. With enthusiasm, integrity, and vision, we will maintain a safe environment and continually improve the quality of life for all citizens.

V. PRESENTATION(S)

1. Proclamations by Mayor

October is Fire Prevention Month – October 4–10, 2026 - “*Charge into Fire Safety – Safe Charging Is a Superpower*”

Municipal Court Week- November 2–6, 2026

2. Employee Service Award

Mary Barraza – 5 Years of Service, City Hall

3. City Manager’s High Five Recognitions

Eddie Taylor – Parks Department

Dougie Carpio – Parks Department

4. Life Saving Awards

Corporal Eric Gregory

Officer Job Smith

Officer Joaquin Sandoval

5. Presentations by Police Chief

Receive a presentation from the Police Chief Tobie Bias regarding the Police Department’s progress and accomplishments since his appointment as Chief of Police.

6. Presentation by Events Coordinator

Receive a presentation from Events Coordinator Tania French regarding the proposed establishment of a Food Truck Court at the corner of Main Street and Commerce Street.

VI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

(Limited to 3 minutes per individual unless permission to speak longer is received in advance. You may make public comments as you would at a meeting by logging on with your computer and using "Join Zoom Meeting" information on first page of this agenda).

VII. CONSENT AGENDA - Council will consider/discuss the following items and take any action deemed necessary

- A. Minutes of September 14, 2026 Regular Meeting
- B. Minutes of September 21, 2026 Special Meeting
- C. Minutes of September 22, 2026 Special and Workshop Session
- D. Review of Credit Card Statement
- E. Receive Monthly Financial Highlight Report
- F. Receive Employee Training Review Acknowledgment report ending 09.30.2026
- G. Receive Office of Court Administrators (OCA) Monthly report ending 09.30.2026
- H. Receive Victoria Economic Development Corporation (VEDC) Monthly Report
- I. Receive Development Services Quarterly Report 07.01.2026 thru 09.30.2026
- J. Receive Public Works Quarterly Report 07.01.2026 thru 09.30.2026
- K. Receive Quarterly CIP Progress Report 07.01.2026 thru 09.30.2026
- L. Consider request of the Chamber of Commerce for parade permit, traffic control assistance and closing off several streets, for the Annual "Lighted Christmas Parade" on Friday, December 04, 2026, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and also request waiver of any fees associated with the event.
- M. Consider request of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church for a parade permit and traffic control assistance for their annual "Christ the King Eucharistic Procession Parade" on Sunday, November 22, 2026 beginning at 5:00 p.m. and also request waiver of any fees associated with the event.
- N. Consider request of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church (OLGULF) Altar Society, for closure of Benavides Street between Leona and Austin Streets for their annual fund-raising Thanksgiving Meal Drive-Thru on Sunday, November 01, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS - Council will consider/discuss the following items and take any action deemed necessary

- 1. Consider ratification of Ordinance No. S-5-26 adopting the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Budget, previously approved at the September 22, 2026 Special Meeting. Presenter is Brittney Hogan
- 2. Consider ratification of Ordinance No. S-6-26 adopting the 2026 Tax Rate, previously approved at the September 22, 2026 Special Meeting. Presenter is Brittney Hogan
- 3. Consider approving a change order NO. 2 for sewer line replacement along La Salle and Trinity Street under CDBG Grant Agreement No. CDV23-0209. Presenter is Wayne Shaffer
- 4. Consider approval of a Professional Services Agreement with SAFEbuilt Texas, LLC for inspection services for the Development Services Department. Presenter is Derrick Smith

5. Consider the Planning Board's recommendation to deny a request for a variance to Chapter 26, Manufactured Housing and Recreational Vehicles, of the City of Port Lavaca Code of Ordinances to allow a manufactured home to be placed on a residential lot located outside of a manufactured housing park. The property is described as Port Lavaca Original Townsite, Block 20, Lots 4, 5, and 6, located at 503 S. Colorado Street. Presenter is Derrick Smith
6. Consider the Planning Board's recommendation to deny a request for a variance to Chapter 26, Manufactured Housing and Recreational Vehicles, of the City of Port Lavaca Code of Ordinances to allow a manufactured home to be placed on a residential lot located outside of a manufactured housing park. The property is described as Bonorden (Port Lavaca), Block 6, Lot 3, containing 0.2296 acres, located at 1304 Tilley Street. Presenter is Derrick Smith
7. Consider the Planning Board's recommendation to approve a request for the development of storage facilities, including a variance from the required toilet facilities, on property described as A0035 Maximo Sanchez, Tract PT 27, 7.33 acres, and Abstract 12 A. Esparza, Tract PT 12, Property ID No. 37976. Presenter is Derrick Smith
8. Consider review of proposals and award of a contract for grant administration services for the CDBG-MIT Mitigation Reallocation Program (MRP). Presenter is Jody Weaver
9. Consider Second and Final reading of an Ordinance (G-11-26) of the City of Port Lavaca amending the Ordinance codified and described in the City of Port Lavaca's Code of Ordinances as Chapter 12 Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III Flood Damage Prevention; providing for purpose of ordinance, providing for severability; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date. Presenter is Jody Weaver
10. Consider First Reading of Ordinance No. (G-12-26) of the City of Port Lavaca amending the ordinance codified and described in the City of Port Lavaca Code of Ordinances as Chapter 2, "Administration," Article II, "City Council," Division 2, "Meetings," to change the regular meeting time of the City Council to 5:30 p.m.; providing for severability; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date. Presenter is Jody Weaver
11. Consider First Reading of Ordinance No. (G-13-26) of the City of Port Lavaca amending Chapter 24 of the City of Port Lavaca Code of Ordinances by adding provisions establishing the Police Department; providing for the certification of police officers; establishing the position, authority, and responsibilities of the Chief of Police; and establishing the authority and duties of police officers. Presenter is Tobie Bias
12. Closed Sessions: As authorized by and subject to the applicable provisions of law, including but not limited to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, the following topic(s) may be considered in Closed Session:
 - Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney
 - Section 551.072 Real Property Transactions
 - Section 551.074 Personnel Matters
 - Section 551.087 Economic Development Negotiations
13. Return to Open Session and take any action deemed necessary with regard to matters in closed session.

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CITY MANAGER

X. ADJOURNMENT

Luis De La Garza Mayor

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING NOTICE

This is to certify that the above notice of a regular meeting of The City Council of The City of Port Lavaca, scheduled for **Monday, October 12, 2026**, beginning at 6:30 p.m., was posted at city hall, easily accessible to the public, as of **5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, 2026**.

Lorena Perez-Diaz, *City Secretary*

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