

## NOTICE

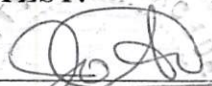
**NOTICE** is hereby given that the City Commissioner of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. Said meeting will be conducted in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall located at 400 S. Ohio, Mercedes, Texas for the purpose of considering and taking formal action regarding the items listed on the attached agenda.

If during the course of this meeting, the City Commission should determine that a closed or executive meeting of session of the City Commission is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, et. seq., will be held by the City Commission at the date, hour, and place indicated in this Notice-Agenda or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice/Agenda as the City Commission may conveniently meet in such closed door or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to the section and purpose covered by the following section of the Texas Government Code: 551.071 through 551.087. Should any final action, decision, or vote be required in the opinion of the City Commission with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting or session, then the final action, decision, or vote shall be either in the open meeting, or at a subsequent public meeting upon notice, therefore, as the City Commission shall determine.

This notice is given in accordance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et. Seq.

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE CITY THIS THE 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2019**

**ATTEST:**

  
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Joselynn Castillo, Interim City Secretary  
Time of Posting: 4:00 P.M.

## ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

The City of Mercedes recognizes its obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 to provide equal access to individuals with disabilities. Please contact the City Manager's Office at (956) 565-3114 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting with requests for reasonable accommodations, including requests for a sign language interpreter.

MERCEDES CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 20, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.  
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS

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1.) Call Meeting to Order.

2.) Establish Quorum.

3.) Invocation.

4.) Pledge of Allegiance.

5.) Open Forum-

Maximum length of time of forum is thirty minutes with individual presentations limited to a maximum of three minutes. The City Commission can take no formal action on any city related matter discussed during the open forum. Persons who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up as they arrive, indicating the topic about which they wish to speak. No one will be able to sign up **AFTER 5:50 PM**. The information required for signing up must be completed by that time. No public comments will be allowed during any agenda item unless recognized by the Mayor or if the item requires a public hearing. State your name and address before beginning your presentation.

There can be no comments about specific employees. By Charter, the City Manager is exclusively given authority over personnel matters, including complaints against city personnel. All complaints against city personnel will be addressed pursuant to Mercedes Personnel Policies.

Comments must not be repeated and the Commission is not required to answer any question from the public. Any person who decides to directly question any member of the City Commission will be asked to discontinue their comments. The City Secretary's office representative will be responsible for notifying each presenter that their three-minute time limit has expired.

6.) Consent Agenda (Ordinance No. 98-21):

A.) Approval of Minutes for City Commission meeting (s) held August 6, 2019.

B.) Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2019-17 approving a Negotiated Resolution between the City and Texas Gas Service Regarding TGS's April 30, 2019 COSA Filing.

C.) Second and final reading of Ordinance No. 2019-18 to approve budget amendments proposed by Public Works.

7.) City Manager comments.

8.) Update by LEMC on Various Construction Projects Funded by Certificates of Obligation.

9.) Presentation by VIDA's Executive Director for Requested Funding for FY 19-20.

10.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding Presentations by Engineering & Consulting Firms to Prepare Plans to Provide Sanitary Sewer to the Capisallo Terrace Subdivision.

11.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding Presentations by Architectural Firms to Remodel and Expand the Public Works Building for Police Department Use.

12.) Discussion and possible action to direct staff to Secure Price Quotes to Pave and/or Widen Sidewalk Pavement Section on Texas Avenue north of the Expressway (leading to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Showgrounds)

13.) Discussion and Possible Action on Request to Pave Portion of Public Alley East & Abutting the Smokin' Oak Restaurant.

14.) Discussion and Possible Action to Pave Portions of Cedar and Missouri.

15.) Discussion and Possible Action to vote on proposed tax rate for 2019.

16.) Discussion and Action to Authorize Staff to Undertake Measures to Convey Surplus City-owned Property described as Lot 19 & 20, Block 70, Mercedes Original Townsite Subdivision.

17.) Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Members to the Crime Stoppers Board of Directors.

- 18.) Discussion and Action to appoint a Complete Count Census Committee.
- 19.) Discussion and Possible Action to Engage LEMC for Camino Real Viejo Roadway and Drainage Improvements.
- 20.) Discussion and Action to Actively Post 'For Sale' the City Property Specified as a 0.23 Acre out of the Llano Grande Grant, Being a Portion of Block 2 of Mercedes Original Townsite (NW Corner Ohio Ave/2<sup>nd</sup> Street)
- 21.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding the City of Mercedes Internal Procurement Process Policy.  
(Commissioner Benavidez & Commissioner Gomez)
- 22.) Department monthly reports.
- 23.) Executive Session:
  - Update regarding Mercedes Investments, LP Project (Kamel) – Section 551.087, Texas Government Codes Annotated – Economic Development.
  - Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 regarding authorizing representation in IRS matter.
  - Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 regarding City of Mercedes contractual agreement with Waste Connections.
  - Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 regarding information requested by Public and Commission to ensure compliance with lawful procedures.
- 24.) Discussion and Possible Action regarding item(s) discussed in Executive Session.
- 25.) Adjourn.