

NOTICE


NOTICE is hereby given that the City Commissioner of the City of Mercedes, Texas will meet in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 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 14TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020

ATTEST:



Joselynn Castillo, City Secretary

Time of Posting: 4:30 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
FEBRUARY 18, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.
MERCEDES CITY HALL – COMMISSION CHAMBERS

- 1.) Call Meeting to Order.
- 2.) Establish Quorum.
- 3.) Invocation.
- 4.) Pledge of Allegiance.

5.) Open Forum-

Maximum length of time of forum is forty five minutes with individual presentations limited to a maximum of five 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 of 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 five-minute time limit has expired.

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

- A.) Approval of Minutes for City Commission meeting (s) held January 28 and February 4, 2020.
- B.) Second and final reading of Ordinance 2020-02 to amend the City of Mercedes' Subdivision Ordinance to Add a Provision for Extending a Subdivision Plat's Approval.
- C.) Approval of E-Rate Internet Service Contract to Smartcom Telephone, LLC for Dr. Hector P Garcia Memorial Library.
- D.) Approval of Resolution #2020-03 Accepting Stonegarden Grant #3172804
- E.) Approval to re-verify the allocation of quarterly payments to the Hidalgo County Appraisal District (HCAD)

7.) City Manager comments.

8.) Presentation and Updates by LEMC on Various Mercedes Projects

9.) Presentation of Mobile Surveillance Tower and Emergency Pole Equipment Package for discussion and possible action to comply with the terms of the 2018 Stonegarden Grant.

10.) Discussion and Possible Action on Proposed Change Order by LEMC for the Lift Station Rehabilitation Project

11.) Discussion and Possible Action to Engage the "Payment Group" as the Vendor to facilitate payments to the Municipal Court, Water Bills, and other City service providers.

12.) Discussion and Possible Action to Consider Rescinding Award to Inframark for Water & Waste Utility Management Services for City of Mercedes, and to Authorize Staff to re-solicit for same or similar Services

13.) Discussion and Possible Action to appoint an alternate board member to the Mercedes Historic Preservation Commission.

14.) Presentation and Possible Action to Authorize staff to seek bids for Animal Control Services.

15.) Discussion and Possible Action to approve Purchase Order to repair lighting at Collier Park.

16.) Discussion and Possible Action to approve a Budget Amendment to pay for repairs to lighting at Collier Park baseballs fields

17.) Discussion and Possible Action to Amend Ordinance on wages to the City's Labor and Utility Workforce

18.) Monthly Department Reports

19.) Executive Session:

- A) Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (1) (a) regarding contemplated litigation, and pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (2) to receive legal advice and information protected by

the attorney client communication privilege.

B) Deliberation pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment and duties of the City Manager and pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (2) to receive legal advice from City Attorney regarding same.

20.) Action on items in executive session

A) Possible action to provide authorization to City Attorney regarding executive session item (a).

B) Action to approve a contract of employment with the City Manager

21.) Adjourn.