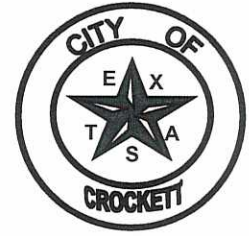


CITY OF CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



DR. IANTHIA FISHER, MAYOR

Butch Calvert, Council Member
Darrell Jones, Council Member
Ernest Jackson, Council Member
Marquita Beasley, Council Member
Mike Marsh, Mayor Pro Tem

John Angerstein, City Administrator
Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary
William Pemberton, City Attorney
Clayton Smith, Police Chief
Jason Frizzell, Fire Chief

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING **VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE** **CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS** **March 23, 2020 – 10:00 A.M.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Crockett will conduct its Special Meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on March 23, 2020, located at City Hall, 200 N. Fifth Street, Crockett, Texas 75835 by telephone or video conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). There will be no public access to the location described above.

This Notice and Meeting Agenda, and the Agenda Packet, are posted online at www.crocketttexas.org

The public dial-in number to participate in the telephone meeting is: 617-769-8021.

The public will be permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephone meeting will be made, and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

1. **IDENTIFICATION OF A QUORUM (ROLL CALL) AND INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**
2. **COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL** *(At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on City related matters only; no personnel matters or matters under litigation will be allowed. The length of time may not exceed three minutes. NO Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law.)*
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR SESSION – MARCH 2, 2020**
4. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS, POSTPONING THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING ONE (1) CITY COUNCIL MEMBER IN PRECINCT #5 TO THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 UNIFORM ELECTION DATE; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF JOINT ELECTION CONTRACTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION; PROVIDING A**

REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

- 5. CONSIDER AND APPROVE ALLOWING THE HOUSTON COUNTY FAIR & YOUTH LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION TO HOLD THE 2020 YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW & FAIR AT THE PORTH AG ARENA; SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 30 – APRIL 4, 2020**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Crockett will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve you, requests should be received 24 hours prior to the meetings. Please contact Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary, at 936-544-5156.

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 2nd DAY OF MARCH 2020 IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 200 NORTH FIFTH IN THE CITY OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY TEXAS AT 6:00 P.M.

THE COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: IANTHIA FISHER, MICHAEL CALVERT, MARQUITA BEASLEY & MIKE MARSH. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR JOHN ANGERSTEIN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI THOMPSON AND FIRE CHIEF JASON FRIZZELL. DARRELL JONES & ERNEST JACKSON NOT PRESENT.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Fisher called the formal session open. Mayor Fisher gave the invocation and all joined in the pledge.

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Fisher recognized all visitors present.

3. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL *(At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on City related matters only; no personnel matters or matters under litigation will be allowed. The length of time may not exceed three minutes. NO Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law.)*

4. PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW TEXT AND MAPS ASSOCIATED WITH TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (TXCDBG) CONTRACT #7218024

Mayor Fisher opened the public hearing. Mr. Alvarado with Grantworks, presented the Planning Study for 2020-2030. Mr. Alvarado explained the comprehensive plan will be a guiding document to help and guide council in making progress in the city. The plan focuses on community goals and objectives, it includes a population analysis and also covers aspects such as housing, land use, water supply and distribution, the street system, economic development, recreation and capital improvements and funding sources. Mayor Fisher ask for public comments. No comments. Mayor Fisher closed the public hearing.

5. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS ACCEPTING THE CITY OF CROCKETT 2020-2030 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW

Council member Beasley made a motion to approve a resolution of the City Council of the City of Crockett, Texas accepting the City of Crockett 2020-2030 Comprehensive Plan; and finding and determining that the meeting at which this resolution was passed was open to the public as required by law. Council member Calvert seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SPECIAL SESSION – FEBRUARY 3, 2020

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 meeting. Council member Beasley seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

7. POLICE DEPARTMENT MANPOWER & CRIMINAL INCIDENT REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2020

Mr. Angerstein reported Chief Smith was not at meeting due to an ongoing investigation and stated the criminal report is in their packets.

8. FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY ACTIVITY AND STATUS REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 2020

Fire Chief Frizzell reported for the month of February the following: 35 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

9. PUBLIC WORKS REPORT FOR MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2020

Mr. Vickers reported for May: 45 street issues addressed and 20 closed street issues. 72 sewer issues addressed and 22 water leaks addressed. There was a total of 4,432 manhours worked and 199 customer requests reported. A further breakdown is included in the packets.

10. CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE FROM CONTINGENCY FUND IN REGARDS TO THE LAWSUIT OF CHARLES HOLMES vs CITY OF CROCKETT

Council member Calvert made a motion to approve the payment of insurance deductible of \$5,000.00 from contingency fund in regards to the lawsuit of Charles Holmes vs City of Crockett. Council member Beasley seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

11. CONSIDER AND APPROVE CITY SECRETARY CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES IN PRECINCT #3 AND PRECINCT #4

Council member Calvert made a motion to approve the City Secretary Certification of unopposed candidates in Precinct #3 and Precinct #4. Council member Beasley seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

12. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION CANCELLING THE ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS IN PRECINCT #3 & PRECINCT #4 SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2, 2020

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve a resolution cancelling the election of City Council Members in Precinct #3 & Precinct #4 scheduled for May 2, 2020. Council member Calvert seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

13. CONSIDER AND APPROVE DESIGNATION OF DEPUTY EARLY VOTING CLERKS

Council member Beasley made a motion to approve Selena Eleby and John Angerstein as Deputy Early Voting Clerks. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

14. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS APPOINTING THE ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR THE MAY 2, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION, SETTING THE RATE OF PAY FOR THE ELECTION OFFICIALS, THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ELECTION CLERKS FOR THE POLLING PLACE AND DESIGNATION OF THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD

Council member Beasley made a motion to approve a resolution of the City Council of the City of Crockett, Houston County, Texas appointing the election officials for the May 2, 2020 General Election, setting the rate of pay for the election officials, the maximum number of election clerks for the polling place and designation of the Early Voting Ballot Board. Council member Calvert seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

15. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AUTHORIZING JOHN ANGERSTEIN TO NOTIFY WASTE CONNECTIONS OF THE CITY'S INTENT TO NOT AUTOMATICALLY RENEW CONTRACT OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES

Council member Calvert made a motion to approve authorizing John Angerstein to notify Waste Connections of the City's intent to not automatically renew contract of Municipal Solid Waste Services. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

16. DISCUSSION OF MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE SERVICES

Mr. Angerstein went over a list of the requirements to begin developing the new contract for solid waste services. Mr. Angerstein discussed with council the following points: residential and commercial pickups, large item/bulky waste pickups, recyclable items and city-wide events. Also discussed were vehicles and

equipment that will be used. (Side loader vs rear loader) Rate increases: specified amount over 5 years on year 2 and 4 along with no increase unless specified triggers/threshold is met and then limit to CPI amount. General liability, auto, bodily and property umbrella insurance - \$5,000,000 with city as additional insured. After discussion, Mr. Angerstein noted he would like to reach out to the vendors with a list of proposals and have them respond with a specific list and then negotiate the contract.

17. DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY OF CROCKETT ANIMAL CONTROL

Council member Calvert made a motion to approve authorizing Mr. Angerstein to research new animal control ordinances, use in house personnel and begin procuring engineering and designing to allow the city to apply for grant funds; within the current budget. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

18. DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY OF CROCKETT SPLASH PAD AND SWIMMING POOL

Mayor Pro Marsh made a motion to approve moving forward with the current splash pad at the site of the former swimming pool, filling the pool in, and also to apply for a grant for funding for a new swimming pool. Council member Beasley seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Mayor Fisher adjourned the meeting at 7:12 P.M.

Dr. Ianthia Fisher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. R-03D-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS, POSTPONING THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF MAY, 2020, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING ONE (1) CITY COUNCIL MEMBER IN PRECINCT #5 TO THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 UNIFORM ELECTION DATE; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF JOINT ELECTION CONTRACTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in accordance with the general laws and Constitution of the State of Texas pursuant to City of Crockett's Resolution No. R-02-20, a General Election for the purpose of electing three (3) City Council Members and Resolution No. R-03-20 cancelling the election of City Council members in Precincts # 3 & 4 was ordered to be held on May 2, 2020; and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, on March 18, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas signed a proclamation suspending certain provisions of the Texas Election Code and the Texas Water Code to allow all local political subdivisions that are utilizing the May 2, 2020 uniform election date to postpone their elections to the November 3, 2020, uniform election date; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Governor's proclamation authorizing the City of Crockett to postpone the May 2, 2020 election date, the City Council does by this Resolution exercise its authority to postpone the General Election ordered for May 2, 2020, for the purpose of electing one (1) City Council Member in Precinct #5 to November 3, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That the General election previously ordered for May 2, 2020, for the City of Crockett, Texas, for the purpose of electing one (1) City Council Member in Precinct #5 is hereby postponed to November 3, 2020.

SECTION 2: That the candidate filings for the General election for May 2, 2020, for the City of Crockett, Texas, for the purpose of electing one (1) City Council Member in Precinct #5 shall remain valid for the election to be held on November 3, 2020, and that the filing period for candidates will not be re-opened for the election to be held on November 3, 2020.

SECTION 3: That all annual applications ballot by mail (ABBM) for voters that are voting by mail due to being over the age of 65 or due to disability will still be valid for the November 3, 2020, election; and that ABBMs for voters who submitted ABBMs based on expected absence from the county shall not be valid for the postponed November 3, 2020 election.

SECTION 4: That the voter registration deadline for the November 3, 2020, election is October 5, 2020, the deadline to submit an ABBM is October 23, 2020, and the dates for early voting are October 19, 2020, through October 30, 2020.

SECTION 5. That the City Administrator is authorized to negotiate and execute an election contract with Houston County for the purposes of conducting the postponed election on November 3, 2020.

SECTION 6. That should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this resolution be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said resolution, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. This resolution shall take effect immediately from and after the date of its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 23RD DAY OF MARCH 2020.

Dr. Ianthia Fisher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

March 18, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
10:00 AM 'CLOCK

MAR 18 2020

Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation suspending Sections 41.0052(a) and (b) of the Texas Election Code and Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code to the extent necessary to allow political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020, to move their general and special elections for 2020 only to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020, without otherwise adjusting the term of office, and suspending Sections 31.093 and 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code to the extent necessary to require all county election officers, if requested by an affected political subdivision, to enter into a contract to furnish election services with any political subdivision who postponed their election to November 3, 2020, under the authority of this proclamation.

The original of this proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
GSD/gsd

Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, Section 41.001(a)(2) of the Texas Election Code provides that a general or special election in this state shall be held on a uniform election date, and the next uniform election date is occurring on May 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code provides that certain districts governed by this provision are required to hold director elections in May of each even-numbered year; and

WHEREAS, Section 41.0052 of the Texas Election Code prescribes a procedure for a political subdivision to change a general election date, but the time for making such a change has expired; and

WHEREAS, Section 31.093 of the Texas Election Code requires a county elections administrator to enter into a contract to furnish election services upon request of a political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, Section 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code does not require a political subdivision to enter into a contract with a county or hold a joint election with a county on the November uniform election date; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas certified that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster and, under the authority vested in the Governor by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, declared a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, the Governor has the express authority to suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of a state agency if strict compliance with the provisions, orders, or rules would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Texas, do hereby suspend Sections 41.0052(a) and (b) of the Texas Election Code and Section 49.103 of the Texas Water Code to the extent necessary to allow political subdivisions that would otherwise hold elections on May 2, 2020, to move their general and special elections for 2020 only to the next uniform election date, occurring on November 3, 2020, without otherwise adjusting the term of office. I further suspend Sections 31.093 and 42.0621(c) of the Texas Election Code to the extent necessary to require all county election officers, if requested by an affected political subdivision, to enter into a contract to furnish election services with any political subdivision who postponed their election to November 3, 2020, under the authority of this proclamation.

The authority ordering the election under Section 3.004 of the Texas Election Code is the authority authorized to make the decision to postpone its election in accordance with this proclamation.

Current office holders will hold over to the extent authorized by Article XVI, Section 17 of the Texas Constitution.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
10:00AM O'CLOCK

MAR 18 2020



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I
have hereto signed my name and
have officially caused the Seal of
State to be affixed at my office in the
City of Austin, Texas, this the 18th
day of March, 2020.



GREG ABBOTT
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:



RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
10:00AM O'CLOCK
MAR 18 2020

**Houston County Fair
And
Youth Livestock Association**

***P.O. Box 442 **Crockett** Texas**75835**
936-546-1905

Scott Moore - President
Beverly Moore – Sec. /Treasurer

John Erickson - Vice President
April Ice – Assist. Secretary

Memo: March 18, 2020

The HCFA officers and executive committee members met to set a tentative amended schedule for the 2020 HCFA fair. This is being done to accommodate adherence to Federal, State, and local recommendations concerning the Coronavirus - COVID 19.

This schedule is “subject to change” at any time based on a change of criteria by government officials. It is also based on a max attendance of 250 persons which will restrict exhibitors to themselves and only 2 adults (parent/guardian) per family. This attendance level can/ may change based on discretion of the HCFA board or Federal, State, and local government guideline changes.

The HCFA officers and/or club leaders will be in contact with exhibitors about division specific information. Below is a copy of the 2020 HCFA Modified Schedule.

The HCFA will be following all guidelines set forth by the time of show.

- Sanitizing stations will be setup for peoples use
- Restrooms will be sanitized hourly
- Social distancing will be a priority
- Limitations on attendance to “Necessary” people only
- All Home & Garden exhibits, Ag Mechanics, and non-market show divisions have been postponed until further notice.
- All Public events (Pet Show, concession stand, buyer’s dinner, and opening ceremonies for Sale of Champions) as well as public attendance have been Canceled.

The Goal of the HCFA, during this situation, is to allow the youth with livestock projects to present them in a safe and healthy environment. These projects have a “shelf life” on them, they cannot be postponed and doing so would be detrimental to the projects as well as the youth.

Scott Moore
President