

CITY OF MERKEL

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS

This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, (Vernon's Texas Code Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551)

The City Council of the City of Merkel, Texas will hold a Regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 PM, August 14, 2023, at Heritage Hall, which is located at 111 Taylor Street, Merkel, Texas 79536 at which time the following items will be considered:

OPEN MEETING

1. ***Call meeting to order*** and announce a quorum is present.
2. ***PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and TEXAS PLEDGE.***
3. ***Citizens Comments and Receipt of Petitions*** (At this time, anyone may speak on any matter other than personnel matters or matters under litigation for a length of time not to exceed three (3) minutes. ***(No Council/Board discussion or action can take place on any matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with the law).***)
4. ***Consider*** approval of the minutes of the July 10, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting, and the July 31, 2023, Called City Council Meeting.
5. ***Staff Reports.***
6. ***Discuss/Consider*** Vacation Time Buyback Policy.
7. ***Discuss*** changing Heritage Hall Rental fees.
8. ***Discuss/Consider*** ORDINANCE NO. 08142023 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 08102020 PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN SEWER UTILITY AND SOLID WASTE RATES.
9. ***Discuss/Consider*** ORDINANCE NO. 08142023-1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS ESTABLISHING SCHOOL ZONES; PROVIDING FOR DECREASED SPEED LIMITS NEAR SCHOOLS DURING SCHOOL HOURS; ESTABLISHING ONE-WAY TRAFFIC ON CERTAIN STREETS NEAR SCHOOLS DURING SCHOOL HOURS; PROVIDING REPEALER AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10. **Discuss** Interlocal Government Agreement for School Resource Officer Program between The City of Merkel and the Merkel ISD.
11. **Discuss** FY 2023-2024 Budget.
12. **Discuss/Consider** 1st reading of Ordinance No. 09112023 An Ordinance of the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas fixing and establishing a Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 (FY 2024).
13. **Discuss/Consider** 1st reading of Ordinance No. 09112023-1 An Ordinance of the City of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas fixing and establishing a tax rate for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024 (FY 2024).

ADJOURNMENT

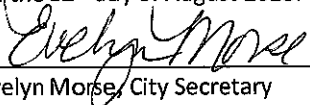
All items on the agenda are for discussion and possible action.

The Merkel City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time concerning any matters listed above, whenever it is considered necessary by the Council and is legally justified under the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Subchapter D), as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development).

The City of Merkel is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodation and equal access to communications will be provided to those who provide notice to the City Secretary, 325-928-4911, at least 48 hours in advance.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the City Posting Board at City Hall, 100 Kent Street, Merkel, Texas, on the 11th day of August 2023.


Evelyn Morse, City Secretary