## 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, April 15, 2024, 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 cán 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 March 18, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting.
- 5. Staff Reports.
- 6. **Proclamation** National Peace Officers Memorial Day and National Police Week.
- 7. **Consider** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading of Resolution no. 03182024-3 A Resolution of the City of Merkel, Texas authorizing the Merkel Economic Development Corporation to undertake a project to promote new or expanded business enterprises by providing a grant to Lupe Rubio.
- 8. **Consider** Approval of Application for Participation in the Texas Short Term Asset Reserve Program (TexSTAR).
- 9. **Discuss** Workshop and the City's Vision, Mission Statement, and Goals.
- 10. **Discuss/Consider** Resolution No. 04152024-01 A Resolution of the City of Merkel, Texas authorizing the Merkel Economic Development Corporation to undertake a project to promote new or expanded business enterprises by providing a partially forgivable low-interest loan to Zachary Thomas.

- 11. **Presentation** by E'Lisa Smetana, Abilene Metropolitan Planning Organization Boundary Expansion Summary Partners.
- 12. **Discuss/Consider** Resolution No. 04152024 A Resolution of the Merkel City Council, Merkel, Texas, requesting membership into the Abilene Metropolitan Planning Organization.

### **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 12th day of April 2024.

Evelyn Morse, City Secretary