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, July 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

- 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. **Administer** Oath of Office to Rode McElreath, City Council Place 2.
- Consider approval of the minutes of the June 10, 2024, Called City Council Meeting, June 17, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting and June 21, 2024, Called City Council Meeting.
- 6. Staff Reports.
- 7. **Consider** resignation from Keith Darby, City Council Place 5.
- 8. **Public Hearing** Ordinance No. 07152024.
- 9. **Discuss/Consider** Ordinance No. 07152024 An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Merkel, Texas, repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 97-02 and Ordinance No. 4-12-2010; adopting the 2021 Edition of the International Building Code, the 2020 National Electrical Code, the 2021 Edition of the International Residential Code, the 2021 Edition of the International Plumbing Code, the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code, the 2021 Edition of the International Fuel Gas Code, and the 2021 Edition of the International Mechanical Code; adopting local amendments for same; providing for a penalty for any violation of this ordinance not to exceed \$2,000 per violation; providing for savings, severability, and repealing clauses; providing for an effective date; and providing for the publication of the caption hereof.

- 10. **Discuss/Consider** approving recommendation from Merkel Planning and Zoning Committee to grant variance for the Taylor County EMS temporary operation building.
- 11. **Discuss** Bond options for Fire Department with Jake Lawrence from Government Capital.
- 12. Discuss Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget.

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 July 2024

Evelyn Morse, City Secretary