

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 19, 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 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 15, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting and the August 8, 2024, Called City Council Meeting.
5. ***Staff Reports.***
6. ***Discuss/Consider*** Ordinance No 08192024 AN ORDINANCE CALLING A BOND ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024, TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO SUCH ELECTION.
7. ***Discuss/Consider*** Resolution No. 05202024 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 AND CONVEYING PROPERTY TO BRANDON AND LINDSEY FEAGAN.
8. ***Public Hearing*** to solicit input on a petition changing the zoning use designation of the property described as Lot S 180 W 240, Block 3-4, Porter Heights Addition, City of Merkel, Taylor County Texas from agricultural open space district (AO) to single-family residence district (SF-1).
9. ***Discuss/Consider*** Ordinance 08-19-2024-A AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS CHANGING THE ZONING USE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT S 180 W 240, BLOCK 3-4, PORTER HEIGHTS ADDITION, CITY OF MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY TEXAS FROM AGRICULTURAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (AO) TO SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT (SF-1);

AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP FOR THE CITY TO REFLECT SUCH CHANGE; AND ADOPTING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP SO AMENDED.

10. **Discuss** Ordinance No. 08-19-2024-B AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 110998-2; ADOPTING REGULATIONS REGARDING SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING MINIMUM STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND ABATEMENT; PROVIDING A PENALTY; PROVIDING REPEALER AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSES; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
11. **Discuss/Consider** 1st READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 09162024 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS FIXING AND ESTABLISHING A BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 (FY 2025).
12. **Discuss/Consider** 1st READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 09162024-1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS FIXING AND ESTABLISHING A TAX RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 (FY 2025).
13. **Discuss/Consider** Ordinance No 08192024-1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 08142023 PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN WATER, SEWER UTILITY AND SOLID WASTE RATES.
14. **Review** 3rd Quarter FY 2023-2024 Budget numbers.
15. **Consider** 3rd Quarter FY 2023-2024 Quarterly Investment Report.
16. **Discuss/Consider** new EDC Board members.
17. **Discuss/Consider** Mellinger Park Project Agreement.
18. **Discuss** filling vacancy of City Council Place 5 pursuant to Local Government Code Section 22.010(a).

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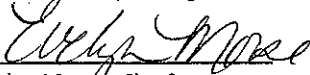
All items on the agenda are for discussion and possible action.

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 16th day of August 2024.


Evelyn Morse, City Secretary