

## **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, March 17, 2025, 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 February 24, 2025, and February 25, 2025, Called City Council Meetings.
5. **Staff Reports.**
6. **Submittal** of the 2024 Annual City of Merkel Crime Statistics and Racial Profiling Report.
7. **Consider** the Housing Authority of the City of Merkel request to waive the accrued payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) in the amount of \$14,971.94 for Pleasantville Apartments and Brickhaven Apartments.
8. **Public Hearing** to solicit input on a petition changing the zoning use designation of the property described as a 3.18 acre tract out of Lots 26 and 30 of the Subdivision of Grimes County School Land, Town of Merkel, Taylor County, Texas be rezoned from Agricultural Open Space District (AO) to Commercial (C-2).
9. **Discuss/Consider** ORDINANCE 03-17-2025 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERKEL, TEXAS CHANGING THE ZONING USE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 3.18 ACRE TRACT OUT OF LOTS 26 AND 30 OF THE SUBDIVISION OF GRIMES COUNTY SCHOOL LAND, TOWN OF MERKEL, TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS BE REZONED FROM AGRICULTURAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT (AO) TO COMMERCIAL (C-2); AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP FOR THE CITY TO REFLECT SUCH CHANGE; AND ADOPTING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP SO AMENDED.

## 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 14th day of March 2025.

  
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Evelyn Morze, City Secretary