



NOTICE OF THE

City Council - Regular Session Meeting

The City Council for the City of Simonton, Texas, will hold its City Council - Regular Session Meeting on March 19, 2024 at 6:30 PM in City Hall, 35011 FM 1093, Simonton, Texas 77476, for the purpose of considering the following:

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation and Pledge

3. Public Comments

In accordance with Texas Open Meetings Act and Texas Government Code 551.007, City Council may not discuss or take action on any item NOT listed on the Agenda. Each member of the public wishing to speak must sign in prior to the meeting and is limited to 3 minutes.

4. Consider and take action on the Consent Agenda

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted in one motion. The exception to this rule occurs when a Council Member requests one or more items removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

a. Council Report February 2024

Payment Report February 2024

[Council Report Feb 2024 - Revised](#)

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b. Draft City Council Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2024

[Cvr_Draft Meeting Minutes](#)

[Feb 20 Regular Draft City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

5. New Business

a. Resolution Of The City Of Simonton, Texas Suspending The April 10, 2024 Effective Date Of Centerpoint Energy Houston Electric, Llc's Requested Rate Change To Permit The City Time To Study The Request And To Establish Reasonable Rates; Approving Continued Cooperation With The Gulf Coast Coalition Of Cities; Hiring Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys And Consulting Services To Negotiate With The Company And Direct Any Necessary Litigation And Appeals; Requiring Reimbursement Of Cities' Rate Case Expenses; Finding That The Meeting At Which This Resolution Is Passed Is Open To The Public As Required By Law; Requiring Notice Of This Resolution To The Company And Legal Counsel For The Gulf Coast Coalition Of Cities

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[Notice of Increase Request](#)

[Agenda Cvr_Gulf Coast Cities Coalition of Cities Suspension, Resolution No. 2024-05 56211 GCCC Suspension Resolution No. 2024-05](#)

b. Discussion and consideration of funding options to award the bid for the ARPA Expansion Project.

[Cvr_ARPA Expansion Project City Hall](#)
[022824_City of Simonton City Hall Revisions_BT](#)
[City Hall Update 20240319 - Final Review Copy](#)

- c. Discussion and consideration of approving a budget amendment to the City's 2023-2024 Adopted Budget to authorize the use of funds in the City's Reserve Fund to cover the balance required to Award the bid for the ARPA Expansion Project
[Cvr_w_Rpt - ARPA Exp Project - Budgt Amend](#)
 - d. Consider And Take Action On An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Simonton, Texas; Amending The Adopted Budget For Fiscal Year 2023-2024; To Authorize The Use Of Funds In The City's Reserve Fund To Cover The Balance Required To Award The Bid For The Arpa Expansion Project; Providing For Severability; And, Repealing All Other Ordinances Or Parts Of Ordinances Inconsistent Or In Conflict Herewith.
 - e. Consider and take action on a Request for a Variance by Mr. Larry Pennington to Authorize the Construction of the Wooden Base Supporting an emergency generator at 404 Pony Lane, Simonton, Texas under the authority of Ordinance No. 2014-03, art. 4., sec. D, as adopted on March 18, 2014.
6. Adjourn to Executive Session
Executive Session Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code for purposes of Consultation with Legal Counsel (551.071) regarding Personnel (Section 551.074) regarding the Appointment, Employment, and Duties of the City Administrator and City Secretary.
 7. Reconvene to Open Session
The City Council will reconvene into Open Session.
 8. Consider and take action resulting from Executive Session:
The City Council may take any action resulting from Executive Session related to Personnel (Section 551.074) regarding the Appointment, Employment, and Duties of the City Administrator and City Secretary.
 9. Reports
 - a. *Mayor*
 - a.0. *Audit Report for 2021-2022*
 - a.1. *Historical Documents Received*
 - a.2. *CPAC 4 Meeting Update*
 - a.3. *MITMOD Update & Pinchback Project Update*
 - a.4. *Community Buyout - Update*
 - a.5. *Railroad Commission Hearing*
 - a.6. *CenterPoint Energy Annual Franchise Payment Calculation*
 - a.7. *City of Richmond Council Dinner*
 - a.8. *Miscellaneous*
 - b. *City Staff*
 - c. *City Council*
 10. Next City Council Meeting
 11. Adjournment

I, the undersigned, Interim City Secretary of the City of Simonton, do hereby certify that on March 15, 2024 by 1:00 p.m., I posted a true and correct copy of the above and following notice of the Regular Meeting of the City of Simonton Council to be held on March 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Simonton City Hall, which posting was done not less than three (3) full days prior to the date fixed for said meeting.


Janie Willman, Interim City Secretary

The City Council may hold an Open or Closed meeting by telephone conference call if an emergency or public necessity exists within the meaning of Section 551.045 of the Open Meetings Act, and the convening at one location of a quorum of the City Council is difficult or impossible.

The City Council may convene into executive session on any matter related to any of the above agenda items for a purpose, such a closed session is allowed under Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

Reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities attending this meeting will be available. Persons with disabilities in need of special assistance at the meeting should please contact the City Secretary at 281-533-9809 Agendas are posted on the City Website at <http://simontontexas.gov> .