Bastrop, TX City Council Meeting Agenda

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September 8, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.

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As authorized by Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into close Executive Session for the purposes of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any item on the agenda at any time during the meeting.

The City of Bastrop reserves the right to reconvene, recess, or realign the Regular Session or called Executive Session or order of business at any time prior to adjournment.

PLEASE NOTE: The public is allowed to attend the public hearings on the fiscal year 2021 budget and property tax rate September 8th and 22nd in person. Governor Greg Abbott in March temporarily suspended portions of the Texas Open Meetings Act to allow local governments to host some public meetings online. This has allowed the Bastrop City Council to conduct meetings in a virtual-only format. However, under state law, any public hearing on a tax rate must allow citizen attendance in-person in a public building owned by the taxing entity. City officials are implementing measures to protect public health during the meetings consistent with recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Rows and seats will be blocked off in the audience area in order to increase distance between members of the public. ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL MUST COMPLETE A CITIZEN COMMENT FORM AND GIVE THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE CITY SECRETARY PRIOR TO THE START OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OR AT WWW.CITYOFBASTROP.ORG/CITIZENCOMMENTFORM BEFORE 5:00 P.M. ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2020. SUBMITTED COMMENTS WILL BE READ ALOUD AT THE MEETING. COMMENTS FROM EACH INDIVIDUAL WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

2A. Hold a public hearing and consider action to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2020-27 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas adopting a budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021) attached as Exhibit A; providing that expenditures for said Fiscal Year be made in accordance with said budget; providing a severability clause; establishing an effective date; proper notice and meeting; and move to include on the September 22, 2020 agenda for a second reading.

2B. Hold a public hearing and consider action to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2020-28 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, adopting the tax rate and levying ad valorem taxes for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to provide revenue for the payment of current expenditures; providing a severability clause; establishing an effective date; proper notice and meeting; and move to include on the September 22, 2020 agenda for a second reading.

3. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting as posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place of convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City’s website, www.cityofbastrop.org and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

Ann Franklin, City Secretary