



City of Onalaska

P.O. Box 880 • Onalaska, Texas 77360

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF CITY OF ONALASKA, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that a regular monthly meeting of the governing body of the City of Onalaska will be held on the 8th day of November, 2022 at 5:00 P. M. in the City Hall at 372 S FM 356 in Onalaska, Texas at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to-wit:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance
4. Introduce and award our Veteran's Day Art Contest Winners.
5. Public Forum
6. *Approve Minutes
7. *Approve Payment of Vouchers
8. *Accept the Financial Reports
9. Departmental Reports
 - a. Police Department representative will report the number of miles traveled during the previous month; number of non-dispatched calls; dispatched calls; officer assists, and times they assisted the fire department. Will report number of citations, warnings and warrants issued and/or cleared, number of misdemeanor arrests and felony arrest made. No action will be taken.
 - b. Fire Department representative will report number of calls for assistance during the previous month, with the break down including number of medical calls, structure fires, grass fires, vehicle fires, motor vehicle accidents, lake rescues, landing zones, assists and mutual aides, and total volunteer man hours. No action will be taken.
 - c. Fire Marshal/Building Inspector or representative will report status of unsafe and/or dangerous properties located within the City of Onalaska and report number of building permits issued during the previous month. No action will be taken.
 - d. Library representative will report current borrowers, materials processed, library usage, monetary collections, donations and a brief summary of current activities associated with the Library and Library Board.

- e. City Administrator will report on Street Repair and Maintenance.
10. Presentation by Timothy Frank Dassow, Property Owner or representative regarding section 1. Lots 206 and 207 located in Canyon Park to show cause why such building should not be declared unsafe and/or dangerous.
 11. Action to declare building dangerous or unsafe as determined by City Council regarding section 1. Lots 206 and 207 located in Canyon Park, and order to vacate, remove or demolish said structure.
 12. Review and approve Ordinance 435, an Ordinance annexing 96.090 acres of land located in the John Burgess Survey, Abstract 7 and the Wesley Fletcher Survey, Abstract 827, Polk County, Texas described territory to the City of Onalaska, Polk County, Texas, and extending the boundary limits of said city so as to include within said city limits, and granting to all the inhabitants of said property all the rights and privileges of other citizens and binding said inhabitants by all of the Acts, Ordinances, Resolutions, and Regulations of said city; and adopting a Service Plan.
 13. Deliberate, Consider & Take Action if any, to terminate the contract with McCreary, Veselka, Bragg and Allen, PC to enforce the collection of debt and account receivables for municipal fees and fines.
 14. Deliberate, Consider & Take Action if any, to adopt and approve Ordinance 436 authorizing a collection fee in the amount of 30% as provided by Article 103.0031, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure for the collection of debt and account receivables for municipal fees and fines.
 15. Deliberate, Consider & Take Action if any, to adopt a Resolution 2022-031, approve a contract and any findings required to hire Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP to enforce the collection of debt and account receivables for municipal fees and fines.
 16. Public Announcements
 17. Adjournment

CONSENT AGENDA (**All items marked with a single asterisk are part of a Consent Agenda and require no deliberation by the Council. Each Council member has the prerogative of removing an item from this agenda so that it may be considered separately.*)

Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.

The City Council for the City of Onalaska reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss

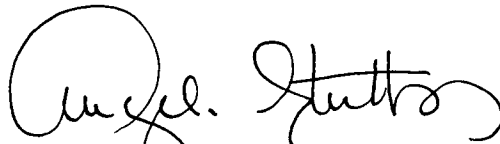
any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.086 (Economic Development).



Angela Stutts, City Administrator/City Secretary
City of Onalaska, Texas

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of November, 2022, the governing body of the City of Onalaska will hold a regular meeting at 5:00 o'clock P.M. in the City Hall Chamber of the City of Onalaska, 372 South FM 356 in Onalaska, Texas, Polk County. The subjects to be discussed are listed on the agenda, which is attached to and made a part of this notice.

I certify that the above notice of meeting was posted in the City Hall, 372 South FM 356 in Onalaska, Texas on the 4th day of November, 2022, before 12:00 p.m., and I further certify that Polk County Enterprise News Media was properly notified of this meeting as stated above in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.



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This facility is wheelchair accessible. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Administrator's office at (936) 646-5000 for further information.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of CITY OF ONALASKA, TX will be held on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, 2022 at 5:00PM at 372 South FM 356 in Onalaska, TX for the purpose of considering and taking action on all matters on the agenda for the meeting, including approval of an agreement with the law firm of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP as special counsel to perform all legal services necessary to collect unpaid fines, fees and court costs as provided in Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 103.0031 and authorizing the execution of such agreement.

The agreement to be considered is necessary for the unpaid fines, fees and court costs owed to City of Onalaska, TX municipal court to be collected in the most effective manner. The City desires that such unpaid fines, fees and court costs be collected as provided in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

The Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP firm is fully qualified to provide this representation, being the largest law firm specializing in the collection of governmental receivables in the State of Texas, as well as the United States, and having been engaged in this specialized legal service for more than 40 years. In addition, the Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson, LLP firm possesses infrastructure and technology, such as call center technology, that the City does not currently possess.

The specialized legal services required by this agreement cannot be adequately performed by the attorneys and supporting personnel of the City due to the high cost of implementing the appropriate infrastructure and technology and employing sufficient in-house attorneys and staff with the level of experience and competence necessary to perform these activities.

Linebarger will be compensated on a contingent fee basis as provided in Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 103.0031. This Article specifically provides for an additional collection fee in the amount of 30 percent in certain cases to compensate collection attorneys. A contract to pay inside or outside attorneys on an hourly basis would represent an additional cost to the City.

Entering into the proposed agreement is in the best interests of the residents of the City because the unpaid fines, fees and court costs will be professionally and competently collected without the additional costs to the City of implementing infrastructure and technology, and employing in-house personnel or paying outside counsel on an hourly fee basis which would otherwise be required.

CITY OF ONALASKA, TX

BY: 

Mayor James Arnett