

**AGENDA
NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF
CUMBY, TEXAS**

This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. Notice hereby given that the City Council of the city of Cumby, Texas will conduct a Regular Meeting on January 11, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., at 100 East Main Street, Cumby, Texas, City Council Chambers.

If the public desires to speak during a specific agenda item, they must email secretary@cityofcumby.com by 4:00 pm on the day of the meeting. The email must contain the person's name, address, phone number, and the agenda item(s) for which comments will be made. You may also communicate and send your comments to the City Councilmembers directly by emailing alderman3@cityofcumby.com; alderman4@cityofcumby.com; alderman5@cityofcumby.com.

The meeting agenda and agenda packet are posted online at <https://www.cumbytx.com/index.shtml>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

3. PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

The City Council welcomes "Presentation by Citizens." If you wish to speak, you must follow these guidelines. **As a courtesy to your fellow citizens and out of respect to our fellow citizens, we request that if you wish to speak that you follow these guidelines.**

- The Mayor will recognize those citizens who have signed up prior to the start of the meeting.
- Pursuant to Resolution No. 2020-12 Citizens are given three minutes (3:00) to speak during "Presentation by Citizens."
- Members of the public may only speak once and cannot pass the individual's time allotment to someone else.
- Direct your comments to the entire Council, not to an individual member.
- Show the Council members the same respect and courtesy that you expect to be shown to you.

The Mayor will rule any disruptive behavior, including shouting or derogatory statements or comments, out of order. Continuation of this type of behavior could result in a request by the Mayor that the individual leave the meeting, and if refused, an order of removal. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, no member of City Council may deliberate on citizen comments for items not on the agenda. (Attorney General Opinion – JC 0169)

4. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Pursuant to TEX. GOV'T CODE 551.0415(b), the Mayor and each City Council member may announce city events/community interests and request that items be placed on future City Council agendas. "Items of Community Interest" include:

- Expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolences.
- Information regarding holiday schedules.
- An honorary or salutory recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen, except that a discussion regarding a change in status of a person's public office or public employment is not honorary or salutory recognition for purposes of this subdivision.
- A reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body.
- Information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality or county; and

- Announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality or county that has arisen after posting of the agenda.

5. CONSENT AGENDA & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

All matters listed under this item are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired by any Alderman on any item, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

- 5.1. Approval – City Council Minutes, December 16, 2021
- 5.2. Approval – 2021 December Financials
- 5.3. Public Works Department Activity Report
- 5.4. Police Department Activity Report
- 5.5. Municipal Court Activity Report
- 5.6. Building Permit Activity Report (if any)
- 5.7. Fire Department Activity Report

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 6.1. **Discussion/Action:** Closing the K-9 program of the City of Cumby Police Department. (Mayor)
- 6.2. **Discussion/Action:** Municipal Court Security System; Security and Technology Fund. (Alderman Horne)

7. OLD BUSINESS

- 7.1. **Discussion/Action:** Appointment of City Secretary (Mayor)
- 7.2. **Discussion/Action:** Ordinance 2022-01-002 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Cumby, Texas Reducing to Zero the Council Salary for the Mayor and Alderman Seat 1 and 2. (Mayor) with effect following November 2022 election.
- 7.3. **Discussion/Action:** Ordinance 2022-01-003 - Discussion of the necessity of opening Jury and Truancy bank accounts rather than continuing to maintain the funds inside the Municipal Court State Fund account. Local Consolidated court fee passed and approved 08/17/2021 council meeting. (Alderman Horne)
- 7.4. **Discussion/Action:** Rescinding Ordinance 2021-03 – An Ordinance of the City of Cumby Establishing the Conditions in Which an Elected Office May be Disqualified from Serving. (Alderman Mobley)

8. NEW BUSINESS

- 8.1. **Discussion/Action:** Acceptance of Resignation of Judge Lana Adams
- 8.2. **Discussion/Action:** Acceptance of Resignation of City Attorney Leigh Thompson
- 8.3. **Discussion/Action:** Resolution R-2022-01-001 – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Cumby, Texas, acceptance of funds allocated from the Janssen Texas State-wide Opioid Settlement Agreement and Settlement Term Sheet (City Attorney).
- 8.4. **Discussion/Action:** Resolution R-2022-01-005. City of Cumby City Council Adopts a Policy that any items to be included on the Council Agenda regular meeting shall be submitted to the City Secretary by or before end of business day, on the Monday prior to the posting deadline to the regular city council meeting. Further, that all referenced materials in an agenda item, including statutes, must be produced and submitted with the agenda item. (Mayor)

- 8.5. **Discussion/Action:** Cash acceptance policy for Municipal Court; necessity of two signatures on receipt. (Alderman Horne)
- 8.6. **Discussion/Action:** Ordinance 2022-01-001 – Ballot Initiative Procedure for the City of Cumby, Texas. (City Attorney / Mayor)
- 8.7. **Discussion:** Cost and procedure of implementing a small water system fee for all water system customers in the City of Cumby, Texas. (Alderman Crocker)
- 8.8. **Discussion:** Mayor Simmerman will begin discussions regarding the procurement process for a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a 2021 TxCDBG Planning and Capacity Building (CPC) Fund, Texas Community Development Block Grant Program (TxCDBG) Grant. (Mayor)

9. ADJOURNMENT

Executive Sessions Authorized: This agenda has been reviewed and approved by the City’s legal counsel and the presence of any subject in any Executive Session portion of the agenda constitutes a written interpretation of TEX. GOV’T CODE CHAPTER 551 by legal counsel for the governmental body and constitutes an opinion by the attorney that the items discussed therein may be legally discussed in the closed portion of the meeting considering available opinions of a court of record and opinions of the Texas Attorney General known to the attorney. This provision has been added to this agenda with the intent to meet all elements necessary to satisfy TEX. GOV’T CODE 551.144(c) and the meeting is conducted by all participants in reliance on this opinion. The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items set out in this agenda. In addition, the city Council for the City of Cumby has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberations related to Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations related to prospective gifts or donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matter); 551.076 (Deliberations regarding the deployment of security devices or the implementation of security policy); and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development negotiations).

Attendance by Other Elected or Appointed Officials – NOTICE OF POTENTIAL QUORUM: It is anticipated that members of City Council or other city board, commissions and/or committees may attend the meeting in numbers that may constitute a quorum of the other city boards, commission and/or committees. Notice is hereby given that the meeting, to the extent required by law, is also notices as a meeting of the other boards, commissions and/or committees of the City, whose members may be in attendance. The members of the boards, commissions and/or committees may participate in discussions on the same items listed on the agenda, which occur at the meeting, but no action will be taken by such in attendance unless such item and action is specifically provided for on an agenda for that board, commission or committee subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

CERTIFICATE:

I hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting was posted on the City Hall bulletin board on the January 7, 2022, at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the city’s website, <https://www.cityofcumby.com>, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.



Betty Jo Hardman
 Betty Jo Hardman, Interim City Secretary