

**CITY OF BALLINGER**  
**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**  
CITY HALL, 700 RAILROAD AVENUE  
BALLINGER, TEXAS 76821

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Ballinger will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve you, requests should be received 48 hours prior to the meetings. Please call 325-365-3511.

**All items are subject to action. The Council reserves the right to meet in a closed session on any agenda item should the need arise, pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PRAYER AND PLEDGES**

**3. CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA**

Any citizen who desires to address the City Council on a matter not included on the agenda may do so at this time. Please register on the sign in sheet. Per the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate on items presented under this agenda item and can only provide factual information in response to an inquiry or recite existing policy or consider placing the item on a future agenda. All presentations are subject to a three (3) minute time limit.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS OTHER THAN A PUBLIC HEARING**

An opportunity for citizens to address the City Council on matters on this agenda for consideration by the City Council, but not scheduled as a public hearing. In order to address the City Council during public comments, you must register on the sign-in sheet. All comments are subject to a three (3) minute time limit.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of Minutes of August 7, 2023 meeting

**6. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND/OR ACTION**

- a. Budget and Financial Update
  - i. Presentation from Doug Martella, GoVirtualCFO
    - a. Present Preliminary Budget, Set Public Hearing for Tuesday, September 5, 2023
    - b. Present Tax Rate, Set Public Hearing for Tuesday, September 5, 2023.
- b. Discussion on Electricity Contract Renewal
- c. Discussion of Water Rates
- d. Discussion and Approval of selling Humvee at auction.
- e. Discussion and Approval of selling City Property either through auction, sealed bids or broker.

7. City Manager Reports
  - a. Public Works Update: Streets, Wastewater Water, Water Treatment Plant

8. **FUTURE ITEMS TO CONSIDER**

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the meeting to discuss any matters listed, as authorized by the Texas Government Code.


- a. **Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney** (To seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflict with the Texas Open Meetings Act).
- b. **Section 551.072 Deliberations about real property** (The Council may consider the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property).
- c. **Section 551.074 Personnel Matters.** The City Council may consider appointment, employment, compensation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of public officers or employees.

10. **Reconvene and take action if needed executive session.**

11. **Adjourn.**

**CERTIFICATION**

I CERTIFY THAT the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall, on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023 at 4:45 p.m., in accordance with the Open Meeting Laws of the State of Texas, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.



**Blaine A. Ross**  
Interim City Manager  
City Secretary

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