

## CITY OF DORCHESTER

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### AGENDA REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 4th, 2024  
6:30 pm

*Members of the public may appear before the City Council to address items listed on this meeting agenda and topics not already scheduled for public hearing or on the agenda in accordance with procedural rules as determined by the meeting Chair and by submitting a "Public Comment Form" to the City Secretary no later than the conclusion of Agenda Item I (Call Meeting to Order)*

#### I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

#### II. INVOCATION

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** *The City Council invites members of the public to speak to the Council on items listed on this meeting agenda and topics not already scheduled for public hearing or on the agenda. Citizens may address the Council for a maximum of two minutes, unless the member of the public is a non-English speaker and must address the Council through a translator, in which case the person may address the Council for a maximum of four minutes. The Council is unable to respond to or discuss any issues that are brought up during this item that are not on the agenda, other than to make statements of specific factual information in response to a citizen's inquiry or to recite existing policy in response to the inquiry.*

**IV. CONSENT ITEMS:** These items consist of non-controversial items that are considered routine in nature. The Consent Agenda can be acted upon in one motion. A majority of the Council is required to remove any item for discussion and separate action.

1. Approve Minutes of **Regular City Council Meeting February 5th, 2024**
2. Approve the bills being paid for the month

#### V. ACTION ITEMS:

##### A. New Business:

1. Consider and Act to cancel May 4<sup>th</sup> election and certify the unopposed candidates "elected". **Aldermen-** Willies Ballou, Jeremy DeVore, and Justyn Davis.
2. Consider and Discuss bids given for new water meter systems and exploring grants or funds to cover cost, along with technical ways to help with water loss and leak detection.
3. Consider, discuss, and act on Resolution opposing the BM Dorchester proposed Cement Kiln to FAA, EPA, TCEQ, and any other Agency.
4. Consider, discuss, and act on letter to State and Federal Representatives and Senators opposing and outlining deficiencies and erroneous statements in their application.
5. Consider, discuss, and act on cost associated with landowner moving a portion of water line on Cummings Rd that was constructed in County ROW because of refusal of easement, current landowner would like to move to be eligible for water service.

6. Consider, discuss, and act on Absentee Voting for 2024 Annual and Convention of the Regular Members of the Texas Rural Water Association. The council needs to select a delegate and an alternate delegate to represent the City of Dorchester at the Annual Business meeting of the Association and District Caucus. This delegate is authorized to vote on any director or alternate director election, Bylaws amendment or resolution, or any other matter for and on our behalf, which may come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof upon which the Entity would be entitled to vote.

**B. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discuss leak detection/water loss
2. Update and discuss proposed BM Dorchester (Kiln & Concrete plant)
3. Consider/Discuss/Action on doing business with BVRT Utility (Sewer)
4. Update on Sewer CCN
5. Update on Building permits

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

1. *In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council will hold an Executive Session on the items identified below*

Tex. Gov't Code 551.072     Deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if deliberation in an Open Meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.

A. Consider/Discuss matters in connection to Centurion/Cottonwood Suttons Fields developments

2. Reconvene into Regular Session and take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

**VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. Mayor Comments
2. Discuss any problems with the water utility or city
3. Applications for new meter request

**VIII. REPORTS:**

1. Water loss report & leak report
2. Delinquent water bill report

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**David Smith, Mayor  
City of Dorchester**

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the City Council should determine that a closed or executive session of the City Council should be held or is required, then such closed or executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code..will be held by the City Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice as the City Council may conveniently meet in such closed or executive session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including, but not limited to, the following sanctions and purposes:

Texas Government Code Section:

- 551.071 - Private consultation with the attorney for the City.
- 551.072 – Deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.
- 551.073 – Deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City.
- 551.074 – Deliberating personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
- 551.076 – Deliberating deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devises or security audit
- 551.087 – Deliberating commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect or deliberating the offer of financial or other incentives to a business prospect.
- 551.089 – Deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to security or critical infrastructure.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Agenda and Notice of Meeting of the City Council of the City of Dorchester, is a true and correct copy of said Notice. I posted a true and correct copy of said notice at Dorchester City Hall located at 373 Main Street Dorchester, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the public at all times, and on the City website; - and said Notice was posted on 1st day of March, 2024 at 4:00 P.M. and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time and said meeting.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2024

City Secretary Becky Vincent \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT PUBLIC MEETINGS**

The location of this meeting is wheelchair accessible. Access to the building and special parking are available at the primary entrance of the meeting location. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers or large print, are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office at least 48-hours prior to the meeting. Braille is not available.