



Regular Meeting Agenda
February 16, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Multipurpose Room, 209 Hudson St., Newark, TX 76071

1. Call to order and announce quorum is present.
2. Pledge of allegiance and invocation.
3. Mayor Update.
4. Public Comments *This portion of the agenda is the public's opportunity to address the Council about any item listed on the agenda, except public hearings. Comments related to public hearings will be heard when the specific hearing begins. Individuals wishing to make public comment shall sign up to speak before the start of the meeting. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, unless otherwise required by law. Per the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Council is not permitted to take action on or discuss any item not listed on the agenda. Items suggested for action may be placed on a future agenda, at the Council's sole discretion.*
5. Presentation from Fire Chief Jerry Taylor for the Newark Fire Department.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items listed on the consent agenda allow the Council to approve all items together without discussion or individual motions. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member of the Council. Removed items will be discussed and action taken immediately after the consent agenda.)

6. Consider and act on the following items:
 - A. Council Meeting Minutes for January 19, 2023.
 - B. Accounts Payables for January 2023.
 - C. Financial Statements for January 2023.
 - D. Staff Reports- Municipal Court, Building Permits, Code Enforcement, Library, and Public Works for January 2023.

REGULAR AGENDA (NON-CONSENT)

7. Discuss, consider and act on Ordinance number A-540, an ordinance amending the City of Newark's Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 5, "Fire Prevention and Protection," article 5.01, "General Provisions," section 5.01.002, "Knox Boxes," requiring knox boxes at buildings, facilities, and structures that have restricted access.

8. David Hachtel at 511 Main Street, requesting relief for the sewer usage on his January 2023 utility bill.
9. Discuss, consider and act on a request from Irene Acosta to place a new mobile home at 437 Sandy Bass Ln.
10. Discuss, consider and act on a request from Jeanine Muhawenimana to place a new mobile home at 433 Sandy Bass Ln.
11. Discuss, consider and act on Ordinance number A-541, an ordinance amending Chapter 2 "Animal Control," section 2.01.001 "Definitions" to Add Definitions; and amending Chapter 2, "Animal Control," to create article 2.12, "Unlawful Restraint of Dogs," to comply with chapter 821 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, subchapter e, relating to unlawful restraint of dogs and criminal penalties.
12. Discuss, consider and act on the approving the engineering phase for the new water wells and storage tank.
13. Discuss, consider and act on funding for the grant match of \$150,000 for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission Park grant.
14. Meeting Adjourn.

CERTIFICATION – I certify that the attached agenda was posted on or before 7:00 pm on Monday, February 13, 2023.



Jenni More, City Secretary



***NOTE:** Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Council reserves the right to convene in Executive Session(s), from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting to receive legal advice from its attorney on any posted agenda item as permitted by law or to discuss the following: A. Consult with attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter and/or consult with attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or contemplated settlement of the same. Section 551.071. B. Discuss the possible purchase, exchange, lease or sell of value of real property and public discussion of such would not be in the best interests of the City's bargaining position. Section 551.072. C. Discuss negotiated gifts or donations to the City and public discussion at this stage would have a detrimental effect on the City's bargaining position. Section 551.073. D. Discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline, or dismissal of or to hear a complaint against a public officer or employee. Section 551.074. E. Discuss the commercial or financial information received from an existing business or business prospect with which the City is negotiating for the location or retention of a facility, or for incentives the City is willing to extend, or financial information submitted by the same. Section 551.087. F. Discuss the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. Section 551.076. G. Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations pursuant to Section 551.087. Following the closed Executive Session, the Council will reconvene in open and public session and take any such action as may be desirable or necessary as a result of the closed deliberations.*