



CITY OF HEREFORD

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COMMISSION CITY OF HEREFORD

6:30 P.M. - SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

COMMISSION CHAMBER - CITY HALL
224 N. LEE, HEREFORD, TEXAS

**5:45 P.M. Work session to review agenda items.
(City Hall Conference Room)

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REGULAR HEARINGS:

ITEM 1 Public Comments.

All comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes (6 minutes if translation is needed) per individual. The City Commission will not comment or deliberate except as authorized by section 551.042 of the Government Code.

ITEM 2 Consider approval of minutes for the August 21st, 2023 Special Meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ITEM 3 Consider approval of zoning change request (Ordinance No. 09.18.23) for property located at 203 N. 25 Mile Avenue (Welsh West Acres, Lots 1-2) from "C-1" Commercial Retail District to "CB" Central Business District. (Requested by Freddie Escobal)

ITEM 4 Consider approval of zoning change request (Ordinance No. 09.18.23A) for property located at 221 N. 25 Mile Avenue (Welsh West Acres Lots 3-4) from "C-1" Commercial Retail District to "CB" Central Business District. (Requested by Freddie Escobal)

ITEM 5 Hear public comments regarding the proposed budget for 10/01/23-09/30/2024.

ITEM 6 Hear public comments regarding the proposed tax rate for 2023.

REGULAR HEARINGS:

ITEM 7 Consider approval of award of bid for group health insurance.

- ITEM 8** Consider approval of re-appointment of member to the Hereford Beautification Advisory Board.
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- ITEM 9** Consider approval of appointments of members to the Hereford Beautification Advisory Board.
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- ITEM 10** Consider approval of façade grant application approved by the Hereford Beautification Advisory Board at their regular meeting on September 5, 2023. (Requested by Jo Ann Morales / JJ's Convenience Store)
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- ITEM 11** Hear report from Hereford Economic Development Corporation.
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- ITEM 12** Consider approval of appointment of members to the Hereford Economic Development Corporation Board.
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- ITEM 13** Consider approval of Resolution No. 09.18.23 approving a negotiated settlement between the Executive Committee of Cities served by Atmos West Texas ("Cities") and Atmos Energy Corp., West Texas Division regarding the Company's 2023 Rate Review Mechanism Filing; declaring existing rates to be unreasonable; adopting tariffs that reflect rate adjustments consistent with the negotiated settlement; finding the rates to be set by the attached settlement tariffs to be just and reasonable and in the public interest; approving an attachment establishing a benchmark for pensions and retiree medical benefits; requiring the Company to reimburse Cities' reasonable ratemaking expenses; determining that this resolution was passed in accordance with the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act; adopting a savings clause; declaring an effective date; and requiring delivery of this resolution to the Company and the Cities' legal counsel.
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- ITEM 14** Consider approval of Ordinance No. 09.18.23B amending the Schedule of Rates for the furnishing of water by the City of Hereford, Texas, amending Subsection (1)(B), Subsection (1)(C), Subsection (1)(D), and Subsection (2)(B) of 13.02.122 of the Code of Ordinances and establishing new rates for such water services effective October 1, 2023.
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- ITEM 15** Consider approval of Ordinance No. 09.18.23C amending the Schedule of Rates for the furnishing of wastewater service by the City of Hereford, Texas, amending Subsection (1)(B) of Sec. 13.02.124 of the Code of Ordinances, and establishing new rates for such wastewater service effective October 1, 2023.
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ITEM 16 Consider approval of Ordinance No. 09.18.23D amending the Schedule of Service Fees for the collection and disposal of municipal solid waste, amending Subsection (1)(A), Subsection (1)(B), and Subsection (2) of Sec. 13.03.005 of the Code of Ordinances and establishing new fees for such collection and disposal services effective October 1, 2023.

ITEM 17 Consider approval of nominations for the 2024-2025 term on the Deaf Smith County Appraisal District Board.

ITEM 18 Consider approval of 2024 Recommended Budget for Deaf Smith County Appraisal District.

ITEM 19 Consider and adopt budget Ordinance No. 09.18.23E approving the budget and making appropriation for support of the City Government and approving the budget for the Hereford Economic Development Corporation for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024.

ITEM 20 Consider and adopt Ordinance No. 09.18.23F setting the 2023 tax rate.

ITEM 21 Consider authorizing the city manager to execute an engineer contract for the ball park.

ITEM 22 Consider authorizing the city manager to solicit bids for the replacement of sidewalks on Main Street.

ITEM 23 Consider approval of request for extension of water service outside city limits for property located at 926 18th Street. (Requested by Rebecca Nogglar/Rocking R Stables)

ITEM 24 Announcements and comments from Mayor and City Commissioners.

ITEM 25 Announcements and comments from City Staff.

The City Commission may go into closed session as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act, (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code) regarding any item on this Agenda.

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