

STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF CALHOUN §  
CITY OF PORT LAVACA §

On this the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, 2021, due to the COVID-19 concerns and in accordance with the Governor's Orders and recommendations, the City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, convened in a special meeting and workshop session at 5:30 p.m. by utilizing "Zoom Meeting and Facebook Live Transmission" on the City of Port Lavaca's Facebook page beginning at 5:30 p.m. Central Time on Monday, February 22, 2021.

Below is the information to log onto the zoom meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting

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The following City Council Members participated by Zoom and were in attendance:

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| Jack Whitlow    | Mayor                                   |
| Jerry Smith     | Councilman, District 1                  |
| Tim Dent        | Councilman, District 2                  |
| Allen Tippit    | Councilman, District 3                  |
| Rosie G. Padron | Councilwoman, District 4, Mayor Pro Tem |
| Jim Ward        | Councilman, District 5                  |
| Ken Barr        | Councilman, District 6                  |

And with the following absent: None

Constituting a quorum for the transaction of business, at which time the following business was transacted:

### **CALL TO ORDER**

- Mayor Whitlow called the special meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and presided.
- Mayor asked for comments from the public and the following citizen spoke:
  - Luis De La Garza commented on condition of water/sewer services during the winter storm last week and preparing for future bad weather.

**AGENDA: (COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER/DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY)**

**Consider ratification of Mayoral Declaration relating to Emergency Operations Winter Storm Disaster dated February 16, 2021 and authorize the extension of same declaration for one additional week**

Councilman Tippit made a motion to pass the following:

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2021, Governor Greg Abbott certified that severe winter weather poses an imminent threat of widespread and severe property damage, injury and loss of life due to prolonged freezing temperatures, heavy snow, and freezing rain statewide and declared a state of disaster for the entire state; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, the severe weather (EM 3554) moved into the City of Port Lavaca and could lead to prolonged loss of electrical power, dangerous road surfaces, loss of water pressure, and unsafe infrastructure within the City, threatening the safety and lives of all residents; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Port Lavaca has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people to protect or rehabilitate property; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Chapter 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the local state-of-disaster prompted by the winter weather emergency is in effect for a period of not more than seven days from the date of February 14, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA:

1. That a State of Disaster is declared for the City of Port Lavaca.
2. That the City's Emergency Management Plan was implemented.
3. That this state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days of the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the City Council of Port Lavaca, Texas.
4. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, Council hereby authorizes the extension of same declaration for one additional week. A copy of this Order is filed, in its entirety, in the office of the City Secretary.

Councilman Ward seconded said motion.

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Smith, Dent, Tippit, Padron, Ward and Barr

NAYS: None

**Receive report from Interim City Manager on the Winter Storm event**

Interim City Manager Weaver presented Council with a report detailing the events on the 2021 Winter Storm from last week, a copy is on file in the office of the City Secretary, in its entirety:

No action necessary and none taken.

**Consider recommendation of the Planning Board for a variance to the Land Use Plan adopted by Council on June 09, 2014, to approve a future Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park located at 809 Mildred Drive by Cruz Trucking/5 Sons Investments**

Development Services Director Jessica Carpenter advised Council that the Planning Board had recommended approval of a future Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park located at 809 Mildred Drive by Cruz Trucking/5 Sons Investments; however, a variance to the Land Use Plan adopted by Council on June 09, 2014 was needed and pointed out the proposed location on the Land Use Plan's Map.

Councilwoman Padron made a motion to pass the following:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT LAVACA, TEXAS:

THAT, in accordance with the recommendation of the Planning Board and staff, Council hereby approves a variance to the Land Use Plan adopted by Council on June 09, 2014, to approve a future Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park located at 809 Mildred Drive by Cruz Trucking/5 Sons Investments.

Councilman Dent seconded this motion.

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Smith, Dent, Tippit, Padron, Ward and Barr

NAYS: None

**ADJOURN**

Councilman Barr made a motion to adjourn Special meeting.

Councilwoman Padron seconded this motion

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Smith, Dent, Tippit, Padron, Ward and Barr

NAYS: None

Special meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

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Jack Whitlow, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mandy Grant, City Secretary

**WORKSHOP SESSION AGENDA:**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Mayor Whitlow called the workshop to order at 6:34 p.m. and presided.
- Mayor asked for comments from the public and there were none.

**AGENDA: (COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS)**

**Discuss short term and long-term Brush and Chip Disposal Plan**

Council discussed this workshop item.

No action was taken.

**Discuss proposed Spring Clean Up Event and Proposed Improvements to the Recycle Program**

Council discussed this workshop item.

No action was taken.

**ADJOURN**

Councilman Ward made a motion to adjourn workshop.

Councilman Dent seconded this motion

Motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Smith, Dent, Tippit, Padron, Ward and Barr

NAYS: None

Workshop was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Jack Whitlow, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mandy Grant, City Secretary

Public notice is hereby given that due to Covid-19 concerns and in accordance with the Governor's orders and recommendations, the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, City Council meeting is closed to the public.

Instead, the City Council will be utilizing **"Zoom Meeting and Facebook Live Transmission"** on the **City of Port Lavaca's Facebook Page** beginning at **5:30 p.m. Central Time on Monday, February 22, 2021.**

You may make public comments as you would at a meeting on Zoom by logging on with your computer and/or smart phone as described in the Zoom invitation below or on Facebook live through the comment section, which will be monitored and answered, as appropriate.

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The following item will be addressed at this or any other meeting of the City Council upon the request of the Mayor, any member(s) of Council and/or the City Attorney:

*Announcement by the Mayor that Council will retire into Closed Session for consultation with City Attorney on matters 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 conflicts with the Open Meetings Act (Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code).*

*(All matters listed under the Consent Agenda item are 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, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately).*

## **CALL TO ORDER**

- Announcement by Mayor that Special Meeting is now open.
- Comments from the Public  
(Limited to 3 minutes per individual unless permission to speak longer is received in advance)

## **AGENDA: (COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER/DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY)**

1. Consider ratification of Mayoral Declaration relating to Emergency Operations Winter Storm Disaster dated February 16, 2021 and authorize the extension of same declaration for one additional week  
Presenter is Mayor Whitlow
2. Receive report from Interim City Manager on the Winter Storm event  
Presenter is Jody Weaver
3. Consider recommendation of the Planning Board for a variance to the Land Use Plan adopted by Council on June 09, 2014, to approve a future Recreational Vehicle (RV) Park located at 809 Mildred Drive by Cruz Trucking/5 Sons Investments  
Presenter is Jessica Carpenter

## **ADJOURN**

Jack Whitlow, Mayor

WORKSHOP SESSION:

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Announcement by Mayor that Workshop Session is now open.
- Comments from the Public  
(Limited to 3 minutes per individual unless permission to speak longer is received in advance)

**AGENDA: (COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS)**

1. Discuss short term and long-term Brush and Chip Disposal Plan  
Presenter is Wayne Shaffer
2. Discuss proposed Spring Clean Up Event and Proposed Improvements to the Recycle Program  
Presenter is Wayne Shaffer

**ADJOURN**

- Announcement by Mayor that Workshop is adjourned.

Jack Whitlow, Mayor



## Certification of Posting Notice

This is to Certify that the above foregoing notice of a Special Meeting and a Workshop Session of the City Council of the City of Port Lavaca, Texas, to be held Monday, February 22, 2021 beginning at 5:30 p.m., was posted at City Hall, easily accessible to the Public, as of 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 19, 2021.

Mandy Grant,  
City Secretary

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