

**CITY OF SWEETWATER, TEXAS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA**

The City Council of the City of Sweetwater, Texas, will meet in regular session on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. via GoToMeeting videoconferencing in Sweetwater, TX.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Abbott suspended several provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the duration of his statewide declaration of disaster, including the new requirement (added by H.B. 2840, last legislative session) that the public has a right to speak on agenda items. This DOES NOT apply to statutorily-mandated public hearings, such as zoning and similar hearings.

This meeting will be closed to in person attendance by the public. A temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act to allow telephone or videoconference public meetings has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

You may view the meeting by going to <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/146311205>

You may call in to provide comments during the posted public hearing by calling (866) 899-4679 (Access Code: 146-311-205) or you may submit your written comments up to one hour before the beginning of the meeting by emailing them to [Licensing@coswtr.org](mailto:Licensing@coswtr.org).

A recording of the video conference will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

1. Call to order.
2. Invocation.
3. Pledges of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.
4. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon approval of minutes for meeting held on February 9, 2021.
5. Public Comments and Receipt of Petitions: Suspended by Governor Abbott
6. Presentation: Mr. Joe Spano, Municipal Services Manager with Republic Services, regarding the company's response to Winter Storm 2021.
7. Presentation: Sweetwater Intermediate School student council representatives, regarding the benefits of allowing "backyard chickens" in the City of Sweetwater.

8. Action Items:

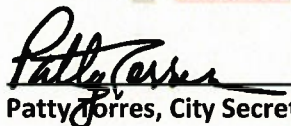
- A. **Ordinance:** City Council to discuss, consider and act upon an Ordinance amending Chapter 6, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Sweetwater entitled "Animals and Fowl".
- B. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon approval of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (Audit) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020.
- C. **Ordinance:** City Council to discuss, consider and act upon approving an Ordinance to temporarily increase the number of positions in the Sweetwater Fire Department by three (3).
- D. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon authorizing City staff to receive bids for Sweetwater Lake lot #149, which was returned to the City for non-payment of the annual lake lease.
- E. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon authorizing the city manager to sign Novation Agreement between Sweetwater Industrial Foundation, Inc., the City of Sweetwater, and Texas State Technical College.
- F. City Council to discuss, consider and act upon approving to advertise and receive bid proposals for construction of water line improvements to the Georgia Pacific Project.

9. City Manager's Report

- A. Letter from Charles Perry, Texas State Senator, District 28
- B. Donation of items to Ciudad Acuña Fire Department.
- C. Police Department vehicle

10. Adjournment.

In accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551.041, the regular City Council meeting agenda was prepared and posted on the 5th day of March 2021, at 5:00 P.M.

  
Patty Torres, City Secretary

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