



**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING  
THE CITY COUNCIL  
Thursday, December 19, 2024  
7:00 PM**

Mayor  
Ernie Burns  
Mayor Pro-Tem  
Mark Heatwole  
Council Member  
Samantha Smith  
Council Member  
Charles Ryan  
Council Member  
Laura Duncan  
Council Member  
Jeff Hudgens  
Interim-City Manager

**AGENDA**

Notice is hereby given as required by Title 5, Chapter 551.041 of the Government Code that the Van City Council will meet in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at 7:00 PM at Van City Hall, 310 Chestnut St., Van, TX 75790. The items listed below are placed on the agenda for discussion and/or action.

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed below, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.087 (Economic Development).

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

**II. INVOCATION**

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A. US Flag

B. Texas Flag

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

**IV. OPEN FORUM**

The opportunity for citizens to address the City Council on any agenda item (**limit 3 minutes per person**); however, the Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the City Council from discussing issues that the public has not been given seventy- two (72) hour notice. Issues raised may be referred to City Staff for research and potential future action.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

(All consent agenda items are considered routine by City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member request an item be removed and considered separately.)

A. Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes from the public hearing on November 14, 2024.
2. Minutes from the regular meeting on November 14, 2024.

3. Minutes from the called meeting on November 20, 2024.

B. Financial Report

**VI. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION**

A. Presentation by Jason Hughes with Hilltop Securities for the funding options for Well # 3.

**VII. REPORTS**

A. City Manager Monthly Report

B. Fire Department Monthly Report

C. Library Monthly Report

D. Municipal Court Monthly Report

E. Police Monthly Report

F. Public Works & Parks Monthly Report

**VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on opioid settlement Subdivision Participation Forms for Kroger.

B. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on amending the City of Van personnel policy.

C. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Board to amend the Zoning Ordinance 11-14-2024-1.

D. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on House Bill 31.86 Juvenile Diversion law change effective January 21, 2025, overview.

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.076, 551.087, and Section 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code (Texas Disaster Act). Refer to posted list attached hereto and incorporated here in.

A. City Council will meet in executive session under section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, personnel matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager.

**X. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION AND CONSIDER ACTION IF ANY**

A. Discussion, Consideration, and Possible Action on action item IX. A. concerning the City Manager position/contract.

**RECEIVE REQUESTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS/STAFF FOR ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

*Discussion under this item must be limited to whether the Council wishes to include a potential agenda item on a future agenda.*

**XI. ADJOURN**

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above notice was posted on the bulletin board at Van City Hall, 310 Chestnut St., Van, Texas 75790 by 5:00 pm on Monday, December 16, 2024.

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Sereca Huff-Huggins, City Secretary

**NOTE:** If, during the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Council will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E

 *Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this public meeting and who may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact the Van City Hall 48 hours in advance, at (903)963-7216, and reasonable accommodations will be made for assistance.*