

**AGENDA  
CITY OF SMILEY  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
SMILEY COMMUNITY CENTER  
207 STEELE ST, SMILEY TEXAS  
AUGUST 26, 2021 6:00 PM**

**IN-PERSON & TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Smiley will hold a meeting on August 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM. The meeting location has been changed to the Smiley Community Center, 207 Steele St., Smiley, Texas. Citizens may also join in the meeting by telephone conference. A temporary suspension of the Texas Open Meetings Act has been granted by Governor Greg Abbott to allow telephone conference. 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.

If you would like to join the meeting by teleconference, please call the toll-free number below hosted by FreeConferenceCall.com

**Dial-in Number: (978) 990 - 5000**

Please enter Access Code when instructed: **184108**

\*All meetings are recorded and made available in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon request.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Recite U.S. Pledge of Allegiance & Texas Pledge
3. Establish Quorum
4. Citizen Comment *Any person with business before the City Council, not scheduled on the agenda, may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Please wait until you are asked to speak by a member. (HB 2840)*
5. Executive Session  
Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Government Code Chapter 551  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters and Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.
  - a. Discussion on personnel matters regarding City Marshal/Marshal's Office. City Marshal to address City Council and the Mayor.
6. Open Session  
Return from Executive Session and take possible action following executive session for item 5a as necessary.
  - a. Discussion on personnel matters regarding City Marshal/Marshal's Office. City Marshal to address City Council and the Mayor.
7. Presentation and Discussion –Receive written and/or oral reports from the following:
  - a. Covid 19 Update – Mayor Mills
  - b. Update on Training Records Due by July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Mayor Mills
  - c. Fire Department and Volunteer Fire Department – Mayor Mills/Chief Griffin
  - d. Dangerous Dogs (Presentation) – Laura Schroeder, Court Clerk

- e. Texas Open Meetings Handbook – Laura Schroeder, Court Clerk/Rebecca Mejia, City Secretary
- f. Municipal Court Report – Laura Schroder, Court Clerk
- g. Marshal Report – Marshal Robles

8. Consent Agenda – *All consent agenda items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which will be removed from Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.*

Minutes Approval for the following meetings:

- a. April 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. May 27, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes

Financial Statements & Bills

- c. July 2021

- 9. Discuss and Approve the location for National Night Out on October 5, 2021 beginning at 1800.
- 10. Discuss beginning the Blue Santa project.
- 11. Discuss and Other Action Interview with John Robinson, Lisa Benevides, Rick Forener and Kathy Whitehead for the vacant City Council position.
- 12. Discuss and Approve to Appoint a qualified person to fill the vacant position for City Council seat for the unexpired term.
- 13. Discuss and Approve to Administer Oaths of Office to newly appointed member for City Council seat At-Large.
- 14. Discuss and Other Action new officers for the Volunteer Fire Department presented by Fire Chief Griffin. The item was tabled at last meeting to be placed on another agenda.
- 15. Discuss and Possible Action a quote from Siddons-Martin for repairs to the new brush truck purchased.
- 16. Discuss and Other Action Marshal's Office.
- 17. Discuss and Approve a Proposed City Budget for 2021-2022 year.
- 18. Discuss and Approve a Proposed Tax Rate for the 2021-2022 year.
- 19. Discuss and Approve to publish Notice of Public Hearing for Budget & Tax Rate in the newspaper of record.
- 20. Council Comments & Other Business
- 21. Adjourn

*The City Council may convene into executive (closed) session in accordance with the Texas Government Code when necessary and legally justified. Any item on this agenda may be discussed in executive session if authorized by Texas Law regardless of whether it is listed under "Executive Session" of this agenda, and regardless of any past or current practice of the City Council. Executive Sessions herein are closed meetings, and may include the consideration of any item otherwise listed on the agenda plus any subject matter specified in the executive session notice, and may include items under the Texas Government Code as follows: Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney regarding contemplated or pending litigation, a settlement officer or administrative hearing); Section 551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property); Section 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts & Donations); Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters); Section*

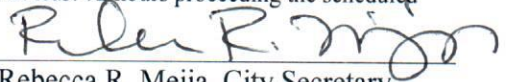


551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices); Section 551.086 (Deliberations regarding Municipally Owned Utility); and Section 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiation).

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Smiley will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve attendees, requests should be received 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact city secretary by phone at 830-587-6220 or fax 830-587-6231.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that a copy of the August 26, 2021 agenda of items to be considered by the City of Smiley Council was posted on the City Hall front door on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 5:55 p.m. and remained posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of the meeting.

  
Rebecca R. Mejia, City Secretary