

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
CITY OF HOWE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THE 15th DAY OF August 2017, AT 6:00 P.M., AT 700 W. HANING, HOWE, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED, TO WIT:

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO FLAGS

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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

PUBLIC REQUEST – At this time comments will be taken from the audience on any subject whether or not that item is on the agenda. All comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or act on any of the items not posted on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consider/approve consent items which are marked by an *.

- * Minutes of July 18, 2017, and August 1, 2017 Special meetings.
- * Finance statements -July 2017

1. Discuss, consider and act upon consent agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to receive public input on the proposed 2017 Ad Valorem Tax rate of \$0.491021 per \$100 valuation for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and a rate of \$0.128979 on each \$100 valuation of property for the purpose of principal and interest on bonds and certificates of obligation. The Council will vote on the tax rate, at a special Council Meeting, on August 29, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at 700 W. Haning Street, Howe, Texas.

ORDINANCE NO. 745

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS LEVYING PROPERTY TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR, A TAX OF \$0.491021 ON EACH \$100 VALUATION OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND A TAX OF \$0.128979 ON EACH \$100.00 VALUATION OF PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INTEREST AND SINKING ON BONDS AND CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.

END PUBLIC HEARING

CURRENT BUSINESS

2. Discuss, consider and act upon re-appointing Howe Community Library Board member Leandra Beckemeyer.
3. Discuss, consider and act upon providing an additional Telehealth care benefit through freshbenies® to City Employees.
4. Departmental Reports:
 - a. Police Department.
 - b. Utility Department.
 - c. Code Enforcement.
 - d. Municipal Court.
 - e. Administration.
 - f. Fire Department.
 - g. Economic Development.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 551, Government Code.

A. Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, resignation, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:

- a. Police Chief

END EXECUTIVE SESSION

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

5. Discuss, consider and act upon Police Chief position.

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Notes to agenda:

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in the Agenda.

The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071 – Consultation with attorney, Section 551.072 – Deliberation regarding real property, Section 551.073 – Deliberation regarding prospective gift, Section 551.074 – Personnel, Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, and Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

Dated this 11TH day of August 2017.

By _____

This is to certify that I, Joy Stevens, City Secretary, posted this agenda in the outside display at 3:30 p.m. on August 11, 2017 at the City Hall of the City of Howe, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Joy Stevens
City Secretary