

CITY OF WINONA
Justice of the Peace Precinct 4
Rescheduled City Council Meeting
14152 SH 155 N, Tyler, TX 75708
Thursday October 22nd, 2026
6:00 PM

AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a Rescheduled City Council Meeting of the governing body of the City of Winona will be held on this the 22nd day of October 2026 at 6:00 p.m., at the Justice of the Peace Precinct 4, 14152 SH 155 N, Tyler, Texas at which time the agenda items below will be discussed and/or acted upon.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

___ Rachel Moreno, Mayor	___ Luis Diaz, Alderman
___ Gary Fox, Mayor Pro Tem	___ Karen Hysell, Alderman
___ Terry Cole, Alderman	___ Dee Roden, Alderman

B. INVOCATION & ACTION ITEM

Pledge of Allegiance and recognize an invocation prayer.

C. VISITORS OPEN FORUM

"Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the open forum section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the Mayor. Speakers shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Comments will be allowed before considering each item on the agenda, provided that the City Secretary has received a speaker request form before the start of the meeting. No action may be taken by the city council during public comments. Criticism of city employees or staff is prohibited. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to city staff for research, resolution, or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item. No action may be taken by the city council during public comments."

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by the Mayor or a Council Member; in which event, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

Consider and act on approval of *City Council Minutes; 9/15/2026.*

E. MONTHLY REPORTS OR UPDATES

1. Utility Department - Monthly Report
2. Mayor – Updates
 - i. Update on wastewater plant violations and EDP Program
 - ii. Update on WISD loading and discharge

F. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding gas rates and presentation from Magnum Gas.
2. Discussion and possible action concerning a new tiered water/sewer and gas rate as authorized by Section 30-7 Winona Code of Ordinances.
3. Discussion and possible action to increase meter tap fees to \$2,500 for gas and water, as authorized by Sections 30-6 and 30-7 Winona Code of Ordinances.

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4. Discussion and possible action to consider the necessary process for certification and other Texas requirements to open a city marshal's office, and the possible hiring of one full-time city marshal and one full-time deputy. Constable Josh Joplin will be available for questions.
5. Discussion and possible action to reduce the current square foot minimum (1,200 ft²) for new residential constructions within city limits. (Requested by Alderman Luis Diaz)
6. Discussion and possible action to change City Hall hours to Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., remaining open for lunch in order to reduce costs and Administration hours while giving customers more opportunities for making utility or other municipal payments, and discussion of 2026-2027 holiday schedule.
7. Discussion and possible action to implement a rotating schedule for City Maintenance employees in order to eliminate overtime and expenses.
8. Discussion and possible action to hire a water/wastewater operator (C License) at a competitive rate of pay. (See Glenn Trimble's notes)
9. Discussion and possible action regarding legal expenditures incurred due to a city official hiring legal counsel.
10. Discussion and possible action to pass a resolution to post information requests and council meeting recordings to the City's website.
11. Discussion and possible action to give customers the option to receive mailed paper utility billing statements via USPS for the cost of \$6 to cover postage, printing, and overhead costs; or the alternative wherein customers may use the customer portal, receive notices via text message or e-mail, or pick up a copy from City Hall.
12. Discussion and possible action concerning the City's burn ban.
13. Discussion and possible action to move the City Secretary position to full-time and to hire City Secretary Jake Allen full-time with benefits, excluding health insurance.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council reserves the right to convene into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consult 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).

H. ADJOURNMENT

The City of Winona reserves the right to realign the order of the agenda at any time prior to adjournment.

The City of Winona City Hall and Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 are wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available in front of both front facing doors. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print, are requested to contact the City Secretary's office at (903.877.3381), email: citysecretary@winonatexas.com, or call TDD 1-800-RELAY-TX at least two (2) working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Notice is hereby given that a Regular City Council Meeting of the governing body of the City of Winona will be held on October 22nd, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Justice of the Peace Precinct 4, 14152 SH 155 N, Tyler, Texas at which time the above subjects will be discussed.

Jake Allen, City Secretary, City of Winona, TX

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the October 22nd, 2026 notice of meeting of the governing body of the City of Winona is a true and correct copy of said notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the bulletin board outside at the City Hall of Winona, Texas located at 110 Dallas Street and also on the bulletin board outside at the Community Center located at 520 Dallas St, Winona, TX, both are a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, and on the city website, www.winonatx.gov, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code at all times and said notice was posted on October 16th, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 3 business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Jake Allen, City Secretary, City of Winona, TX

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City of Winona, Texas

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