



This Notice of Meeting is given and posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, contained in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Capitalized words and phrases have the meaning given to them in the Act. The Meeting will be held at the Date, Time and Place stated below. The City Council Will Deliberate upon the items listed in the Agenda below. Any Agenda item is subject to discussion only, action only or both discussion and action. All portions of the Meeting shall be Open, unless a Closed Meeting is held when permitted, and in the manner specified, by the Act. If the Act permits all or any portion of the Deliberation of an Agenda item to be Closed, the City Council may enter into a Closed Meeting whether or not the Agenda item below states that a Closed Meeting for such item is anticipated. Agenda items are not required to be considered in the same order as listed in the Agenda. Any Agenda item(s) may be tabled for Deliberation at a later Meeting or removed from the Agenda. Any such tabled or removed Agenda item may be placed on an Agenda for a later Meeting for which Notice has been given and posted pursuant to the Act

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, August 12, 2024 TIME OF MEETING: 6:00 P.M.
PLACE OF MEETING: City of Pine Forest City Hall
PURPOSES: SEE AGENDA BELOW
DATE POSTED: Friday, August 9, 2024 TIME POSTED: 2:30 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to order.
2. Invocation.
3. Pledge to the United States Flag and the Texas State Flag.
4. **Citizens/Visitors Forum:**

Open the floor to members of the public or of the City Council for inquiries about a subject not listed on the Agenda. Speakers shall be requested to limit their remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Specific factual information or existing policy may be stated in response to an inquiry. As noted in the Texas Open Meetings Act no deliberation of or decision about a subject not included on the current meeting notice shall be allowed by Council. Your comments are appreciated and will be forwarded to staff to be placed on future meeting, if necessary.

5. **Mayor's Comments**
6. **Consent Agenda:**
 - A. July 2024 Bills
 - B. Purchase orders for July 2024
 - C. Budget Amendments for July 2024
 - D. Approve July 8, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - E. Grant Report- see attached Report
7. Discussion and possible action to accept the resignation of Chief Kenneth Hobbs.

8. Discussion and possible action to disband the Police Department based off of Senate Bill #1445
9. Discussion and possible action to appoint and Interim Chief of Police for the City of Pine Forest.
10. Discussion and possible action to consider amending Chapter 4 Gaming Ordinance.
11. Discussion and possible action to consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee to award the Municipal Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services Contract.
12. Discussion and possible action to place a proposal to adopt an ad valorem tax rate on August 12, 2024, for the 2024 tax year of \$ 0.0500 per \$100.00 valuation of the City of Pine Forest, Texas (consisting of a debt rate of \$ 0 and a Maintenance and Operations rate of \$ 0.0500.)
13. Discussion and possible action to schedule one (1) Public Hearing for Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM to hear and consider public comments regarding the proposed 2024-2025 Budget for the City of Pine Forest, Texas.

Public Notice to All Citizens of the City of Pine Forest

A Public Hearing will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. at the Pine Forest City Hall, 305 Nagel Street, Vidor, Texas to hear public comments and thereafter to consider adoption of the City budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. This Budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$841 which is a 6% increase from last years budget. The Property Tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$126.

14. Discussion and possible action to pursue a 2025/2026 TxCDBG grant and authorize the procurement of a grant administrator to assist in the application and implementation, if awarded.
15. **Adjourn**

Agenda Posting certification: I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the August 12, 2024, Agenda of items to be considered by the City Council of Pine Forest was posted on the City of Pine Forest City Bulletin Board located at City Hall, 305 Nagel Street, at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024.

Lacey Turner

Lacey Turner, City Secretary

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE MEETING WILL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN MEETINGS LAW" AS REQUIRED BY V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551. SPECIAL NOTE: THE COUNCIL MAY ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION ON ANY POSTED AGENDA ITEM UNDER SECTIONS 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074 AND 551.076 OF THE V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551. THIS NOTICE SHALL BE POSTED FOR AT LEAST SEVENTY-TWO HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SUCH MEETING.

NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE: IF YOU REQUIRE A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION AS OUTLINED IN THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT (i.e., QUALIFIED INTERPRETER, LARGE PRINT, HEARING ASSISTANCE) DURING THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY OUR OFFICE AT 409-786-4100 NO LATER THAN FORTY-EIGHT (48) HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING.

Cathy Nagel
Cathy Nagel, Mayor