



## DeSoto City Council Meeting Agenda

City Council Chambers

Jim Baugh Government Center - DeSoto City Hall

211 E. Pleasant Run Road

DeSoto, TX 75115

(972) 230-9646

**Mayor Rachel L. Proctor**  
**Mayor Pro Tem Andre' Byrd, Sr.**  
**Councilmember Patricia Ledbetter**  
**Councilmember Nicole Raphiel**  
**Councilmember Dinah Marks**  
**Councilmember Crystal Chism**  
**Councilmember Letitia Hughes**

DATE: Tuesday, February 21, 2023

WORK SESSION: 6:00pm Council Chambers

REGULAR SESSION: 7:00pm Council Chambers  
*(Executive Session immediately following Regular Session)*

*As authorized by Section 551.071(2) of the Texas Government Code, this meeting may be convened into closed Executive Session for the purpose of seeking confidential legal advice from the City Attorney on any agenda item listed herein. Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.127, one or more members of the governing body may appear via videoconference call. The presiding officer and a quorum of the City Council will be physically present at this meeting.*

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Time limit is 3 minutes per speaker.

### A. WORK SESSION

1. Review of Master Calendar of Events and Special Meetings
2. Review of Regular Agenda items
3. Presentation on the City audit process and responsibilities

### B. REGULAR SESSION - CALL TO ORDER

1. Invocation by: Apostle Tweedy Thomas, God is Ministries
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by: Layla Rashad, DeSoto West Middle School
3. Student Ambassador: Layla Rashad, DeSoto West Middle School

### C. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

1. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551. 0415 the City Council may report on the following items: ( 1) expression of thanks, congratulations or condolences; ( 2) information about holiday schedules; 3) recognition of individuals; ( 4) reminders about upcoming City Council events; ( 5) information about community events; and ( 6) announcements involving imminent threat to public health and safety.

2. Liaison Updates

D. **CITIZEN APPEARANCES**

The City Council invites citizens to address the Council on any topic not already scheduled for Public Hearing. Citizens wishing to speak should complete a "Citizen Comment Card" and present it to the City Secretary or return to the Ambassador table prior to the meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda. However, your concerns may be addressed by City Staff, placed on a future agenda, or responded to by some other course.

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E. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Recognition of TMLI Certificate of Achievement 2022 for Mayor Pro Tem Andre' Byrd, Sr.
2. Presentation of the 2023 Apartment Gold Standard Program awards and results
3. Presentation of Financial Report January 2023

F. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Items are listed on the Consent Agenda by the City Manager and are recommended to the City Council for single vote approval. An item( s) may be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate vote at the request of a Councilmember, the Mayor, or the City Manager.

1. **Other Items**

- a. Recognition of proclamation honoring National Caregiver Day
- b. Confirmation of appointment of Felicia Pierson to the DeSoto Development Corporation
- c. Confirmation of appointment of Akilah Wallace to the DeSoto Development Corporation

- d. Confirmation of appointment of Kristi Boyett to the Park Board
- e. Confirmation of appointment of Carol Holmes to the Building & Standards / ZBOA Board
- f. Consider approval and acceptance of the FY 2021 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$150,148.18
- g. Consider an Ordinance amending Article 1.13 titled "Place System" to set forth new boundaries for City Council Districts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 to reflect district boundary changes adopted in November 2022
- h. Consider an Ordinance amending the FY 2022-2023 Adopted Budget to increase the Capital Equipment Replacement Fund by \$470,693 for the cost of vehicles and speed radar signs
- i. Consider an Ordinance amending the FY 2022-2023 Adopted Budget to increase the Youth Sport Association-Basketball Fund revenues and expenses by \$30,000
- j. Consider an Ordinance amending the FY 2022-2023 Adopted Budget to increase the General Fund by \$110,000 to cover the cost of police overtime for youth sports tournament expenses
- k. Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a construction contract with Dallas Demolition Company in the amount of \$95,190 and establish a total contract budget in the amount of \$104,709 for the 2023 Building Demolition Project
- l. Consider authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a purchase contract in the amount of \$129,164 with CDW-G for Hewlett Packard Enterprise servers and switches used to house and support all technology utilized by the Southwest Regional Communications Center

G. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- 1. There are no items scheduled for this agenda.

H. **REGULAR AGENDA - New Business**

- 1. Consider accepting the Updated Nance Farm Historical Site Master Plan

I. **EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESULTING POTENTIAL ACTION**

- 1. Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.087 Economic Development Deliberation to discuss the creation of the Project Memorandum of Understanding for Project Rose.

2. The City Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code to hear and deliberate (1) complaints made against Mayor Rachel Proctor as it relates to an alleged violation of the City Charter Article II, Section 3, regarding residency requirements; (2) receipt of City revenues associated with Mayor's Office events; and (3) alleged conflicts of interest.
3. Action as a result of Executive Session

J. **ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION**

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I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of DeSoto's Jim Baugh Government Center, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public as well as to the City's website [www.desototexas.gov](http://www.desototexas.gov) and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: **Thursday, February 16, 2023 by 6:30 P.M.** and remained so posted at least two (2) hours after said meeting was convened.



Alicia Thomas, City Secretary



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