



DeSoto City Council Meeting Agenda

City Council Chambers
Jim Baugh Government Center
DeSoto City Hall 211 E. Pleasant Run Road
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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: Monday, May 15, 2023

SPECIAL MEETING: 5:30 p.m. Council Chambers
SWEARING-IN CEREMONY: 7:00 PM Council Chambers
(Reception immediately following in the Civic Center Bluebonnet Rooms)

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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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Presentation and discussion of the Boards & Commissions Adhoc Committee recommended changes to the DeSoto Guide for Public Officials
3. Presentation and discussion of the creation of a proposed Neighborhood Services Department
4. Presentation of updates from Public Safety Coalition Subcommittee Chairs
5. **ELECTION PROTOCOL**
 - a. Consider a Resolution of the City Council of the City of DeSoto, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the General Election held on Saturday, May 6, 2023, in the City of DeSoto, for the purpose of electing a Councilmember for Place 2 and a Councilmember for Place 4 per the Texas Election Code.
 - b. Consider a Resolution to canvass the returns and to declare the results of the May 6, 2023 Special Charter Amendment Election to consider thirty-nine (39) propositions and to adopt the approved amendments to the Home Rule Charter as determined by the voters of the City of DeSoto
 - c. **Presentation of Certificate of Election to re-elect Councilmember Place 4 per the Texas Election Code.**

d. **Conduct Oath of Office for re-elected Councilmember, Place 4 per the Texas Constitution.**

9. Adjourn

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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 and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: **Thursday, May 11, 2023 by 7:00 P.M.** and remained so posted at least two (2) hours after said meeting was convened.



Alicia Thomas, City Secretary



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