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Councilperson District 6

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Monday, April 27, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the La Porte City Council to be held on April 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action.

1. **Call to Order**

The Mayor will determine that a quorum of Councilpersons is present and open the business meeting.

2. **Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance**

INVOCATION - The invocation will be given by Pastor Joey Whitener.

PLEDGES - Will be led by Erin Cervantes.

U.S. Flag

Texas Flag: Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state, under God, one and indivisible.

3. **Recognitions**

3.a **Recognition of Municipal Clerks Week, May 3-9**

3.b **Recognition of Employees for Years of Service**

Christopher Forsythe - Police (10 years)

Barry Groaning - Police (15 years)

3.c **Recognition of Kayla Baez, Johnny Morales, Jauslynn Sanchez, and Amber Castro-Beltran for their work on the inaugural Fleet Week Houston.**

4. **Citizen Comment**

State law provides that members of the public may speak before the Council considers an item of business. Complete a sign up sheet before speaking. (Generally limited to five minutes per person; the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or for other considerations.) Members of the Council may ask questions or make statements of fact in response to comments but are not obligated to respond and will not participate in debate or take action during this portion of the agenda. Items may be requested for future agendas in accordance with the adopted Rules of Procedure.

5. Presentations

- 5.a Presentation by Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA) in celebration of their HEROES Weekend, April 26 and 27, 2026.**
- 5.b Graduation cord presentation to LPISD senior Isaac Daigle, for participation in the City of La Porte Municipal Court's Teen Court [Judge Janikka Bratton]]**
- 5.c Port Houston Presentation**
Presentation by Callie Barnes, Director of Seaport Connectivity of Port Houston, on the Port of Houston Authority's roadway needs and priorities. [Haley Bowers, Economic Development Manager]

6. Consent Agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda items authorizes each to be implemented in accordance with staff recommendations provided. An item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and added to the Statutory Agenda for full discussion upon request by a member of the Council present at this meeting.

- 6.a Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on April 13, 2026. [Lee Woodward, City Secretary/PIO]**
- 6.b Laptop and Equipment purchase for Police Department**
Approve the purchase of laptops for \$129,149.10 through Dell under OMNIA Partners Region 14 ESC-TC Contract No. 01-143 and printers and related computer peripherals for \$44,957.10 through CDW-G under TIPS 230105 Tech Solutions, for a total authorization of \$174,106.20 to replace aging infrastructure on thirty (30) patrol vehicles. [Scott Pullig, Chief of Police]
- 6.c Approve Interlocal Agreement with Harris County**
Authorize the City Manager to a execute an interlocal agreement between the City of La Porte, Texas, and Harris County to receive partnership funds in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the Northside Neighborhood Drainage Improvements Phase III Project. [Ray Mayo, Director of Public Works]

7. Public Hearings and Associated Ordinances

State law provides for public hearings on particular items, such as the annual City budget, tax rate, and some land use decisions. Members of the public may speak when the presiding officer calls for comments, without signing up in advance. (Generally limited to five minutes per person; in accordance with state law, the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or for other considerations.)

Members of the Council may ask questions or make statements of fact in response to comments but are not obligated to respond and will not participate in debate or take action until the public hearing is closed and the item is placed before them for consideration.

- 7.a Ordinance 2025-4036 Special Conditional Use Permit (SCUP) #SCUP-2026-0001**
The City Council will hold a public hearing to receive comments regarding a recommendation by the Planning and Zoning Commission to adopt Ordinance 2025-4036 for Special Conditional Use Permit #SCUP-2026-0001, a request by Mario Lanza, applicant, on behalf of 92 FAIRMONT LAKES INC, property owner, to allow for a residential subdivision including 205 lots, generally located at the northeast corner of Wharton Weems Blvd and State Highway 146, La Porte; Harris County,

Texas; followed by discussion and possible action to approve or deny Ordinance 2025-4036 for Special Conditional Use Permit #SCUP-2026-0001 to allow for a residential subdivision including 205 lots, generally located at the northeast corner of Wharton Weems Blvd and State Highway 146, La Porte; Harris County, Texas. [Ryan Hvitlök, Director of Planning & Development]

8. Statutory Agenda

Councilpersons will engage in debate in accordance with their adopted parliamentary authority. Members of the public may be permitted to answer questions from the Council or provide information if requested by the Council (either without objection or on a majority vote in favor).

8.a Public Works Facility Improvements - Change Order - Generator

Presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve a change order to incorporate both generators into the first phase of the project, with a cost of \$497,456.89, utilizing the construction contingency. [Jameson Appel, Assistant Director of Public Works]

9. Reports

Presentation on major projects and/or departures from current practices are often provided here. Reports from selected committees and periodic updates may also be provided.

9.a Presentation on the Avera Special Conditional Use Permit [Ryan Hvitlok, Director of Planning and Development]

9.b City of La Porte, Texas, Fund Balance Report [Michael Dolby, Finance Director]

9.c Report of the Fiscal Affairs Committee meeting held on April 27, 2026 [Councilperson Engelken]

9.d Report of the La Porte Development Corporation Board of Directors meeting held on April 27, 2026 [Mayor Pro Tem McCaulley]

9.e Administrative Reports [Corby Alexander, City Manager]

10. Items of Community Interest

Per Texas Gov't. Code Sec. 551.0415, the Council may receive from staff and/or may make a report about items of community interest during a meeting without having given notice of the subject of the report, if no action is taken and, except as provided by Section 551.042, possible action is not discussed regarding the information provided in the report. Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed.

11. Executive Session

The portion of the Texas Gov't. Code known as the Texas Open Gov't. Act (TOMA, TGC Ch. 551) provides a limited set of circumstances that allow the Council to meet in a session closed to the public. The Council will first meet in an open session, announce the exception that allows it to meet in a closed session, and announce the time it is convening in closed session. The Council will post executive sessions it is aware of in advance, but may go into an executive session if a situation arises during a meeting that calls for an appropriate exception.

The Council will convene in executive session without a vote unless an objection is raised by

a member of the Council.

If, during the course of the meeting and discussion of any items covered by this notice, City Council determines that a closed or executive session of the Council is required, then such closed meeting will be held as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Section 551.071 consultation with counsel on legal matters; Section 551.072 - deliberation regarding purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Section 551.073 - deliberation regarding a prospective gift; Section 551.074 - personnel matters regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; Section 551.076 - implementation of security personnel or devices; Section 551.087 - deliberation regarding economic development negotiation; Section 551.089 - deliberation regarding security devices or security audits, and/or other matters as authorized under the Texas Government Code. If a closed or executive session is held in accordance with the Texas Government Code as set out above, the City Council will reconvene in open session in order to take action, if necessary, on the items addressed during executive session.

11.a Consultation with Attorney

Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071(2)-Consultation with Attorney: The City Council will meet in closed session with the City Attorney and City Manager to discuss legal issues in connection with existing airport lease agreement between the City of La Porte, Texas, and Tri-Star Aviation, Inc.

12. Reconvene

The Council will reconvene in open session and consider action, if any, on item(s) discussed in executive session. Only action of the Council decided on in an open session is legal. The Council will announce the time it reconvenes before resuming consideration or adjourning.

13. Adjourn

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office (281-470-5021), three working days prior to the meeting for appropriate arrangements.

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.127, on a regular, non-emergency basis, members may attend and participate in the meeting remotely by video conference. Should that occur, a quorum of the members will be physically present at the location noted above on this agenda.

CERTIFICATE

I, Lee Woodward, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the April 27, 2026, City Council agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.LaPorteTX.gov, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

DATE:

TIME:

TAKEN DOWN:

Lee Woodward, City Secretary

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