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CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Notice is hereby given of a Special City Council Meeting to be held on **Monday, August 16, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.** at: **Missouri City Community Center**, 1522 Texas Parkway, Missouri City, Texas 77489, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action. The City Council reserves the right to meet in a closed session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- (a) Presentation on Street drainage and Rain Event Update. *(Proposed presenters: Director of Public Works Shashi Kumar and Assistant City Engineer Jeremy Davis)*
- (b) Presentation of the Lean Six Sigma Program. *(Proposed presenter: Interim City Manager Bill Atkinson)*
- (c) Discussion on proposed ordinance for City Council training. *(Proposed presenter: City Attorney E. Joyce Iyamu)*

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council may go into Executive Session regarding any item posted on the Agenda as authorized by Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Notice is hereby given that the City Council may go into Executive Session in accordance with the following provision of the Government Code:

Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 – Consultation with attorney to seek or receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act: civil service system implementation and compensation requirements.

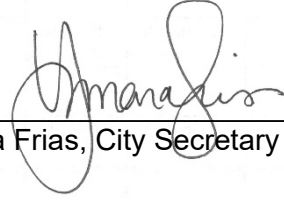
4. RECONVENE into Special Session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in Executive Session.

5. ADJOURN

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Missouri City will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. To better serve you, requests should be received 24 hours prior to the meetings. Please contact Michael Tubbs, Facilities and Fleet Manager, at 281.403.8500.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that a copy of the August 16, 2021, agenda of items to be considered by City Council was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, in a place convenient to the public, in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code on August 12, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.



Yomara Frias, City Secretary Department

I certify that the attached notice and agenda of items to be considered by the City Council was removed by me from the City Hall bulletin board on the ____ day of _____, 2021.

Signed: _____

Title: _____



**CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM COVER
MEMO**

August 16, 2021

To: Mayor and City Council
Agenda Item: 2(c) Ordinance: Mandatory Training for Council
Submitted by: E. Joyce Iyamu, City Attorney

SYNOPSIS

Mayor Elackatt has proposed an ordinance requiring mandatory training for City Council on an annual basis.

STRATEGIC PLAN 2021 GOALS ADDRESSED

- High performing city team

BACKGROUND

This proposed ordinance provides the following:

- Annual training on City Council ethical obligations, including training on conflicts of interest, the use of City resources, open meetings, and emergency management; and
- At the time of each member's election to office, the provision of written materials on subjects to which the annual training applies and written materials on the placement of items on agendas.

BUDGET ANALYSIS

Funds may not be required, as the required training could take place during a regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

1. Proposed ordinance
2. Document showing whether benchmark cities require training for their city councils

STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

DISCRETIONARY: This matter is being submitted for City Council consideration.

Director Approval: E. Joyce Iyamu, City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. O-21-__

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS;
AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, OF THE MISSOURI CITY
CODE; REQUIRING CERTAIN TRAINING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL;
PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND
CONTAINING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATED THERETO.**

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WHEREAS, in accordance with the City Council of the City of Missouri City's Strategic Plan Goal No. 4 of developing a high performing City team, the City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas (the "City") desires to establish mandatory training for all councilmembers on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Missouri City now deems it appropriate to consider this Ordinance and to amend the Missouri City Code as set forth herein; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS:

Section 1. The facts and recitations set forth in the preamble of this Ordinance are hereby found to be true and correct.

Section 2. The Missouri City Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 2-31 of Division 1 of Article II of Chapter 2 thereof to provide as follows:

"CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE II. – CITY COUNCIL

DIVISION 1. - GENERALLY

Sec. 2-31. – Mandatory Training.

The city attorney's office will facilitate training and educational materials for the city council on their ethical obligations under state law and Article IX of Chapter 2, providing standards of conduct for city officials. Such training must include at least one special meeting in each calendar year. All officials must attend the annual special meeting training session offered by the city. Council training shall include materials on conflicts of interest, the use of city resources, open meetings, and emergency management. The city attorney's office will also provide written materials on such training and the procedure for placing an item on an agenda for consideration to each member of the city council at the time of each member's election to office."

Section 3. Repeal. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, if any, shall be and are hereby repealed only to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Severability. In the event any clause, phrase, provision, sentence or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstance shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair, or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof, other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional; and the City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, or whether there be one or more parts.

PASSED and APPROVED on first reading this ____ day of _____, 2021.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED on second and final reading this ____ day of _____, 2021.

Robin J. Elackatt, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Maria Jackson, City Secretary

E. Joyce Iyamu, City Attorney

MANDATORY TRAINING FOR CITY COUNCIL

CERTAIN BENCHMARK CITIES

City	Population	Mandatory training for City Council by Ordinance?
Allen	107,321	No.
Baytown	77,726	No. However, every new city official must be furnished with a written copy of the city's ethical obligations.
Bellaire	19,054	No.
Bryan	87,423	No.
Cedar Park	83,007	No.
Conroe	93,160	No. However, Conroe provides additional incentive pay in the amount of \$35.00 per continuing education unit per month, not to exceed 25 units, for Texas Municipal Leadership Institute continuing education courses.
Friendswood	41,025	No.
Grapevine	57,834	No.
Harlingen	65,402	No.
Houston	2,320,268	No.
Katy	21,234	No.
La Porte	35,403	No.
League City	111,572	Yes. Section 2-33 provides that, "city staff should be directed to provide, at least once a calendar year, educational programs to the city's elected and appointed officials and city employees on their legal and ethical obligations under state and local law, including, particularly, their obligation to avoid conflicts of interest."
New Braunfels	95,782	No.
Pasadena	151,891	No.
Pearland	155,600	Yes. Section 2-85 provides that, "the city attorney shall provide training and educational materials to city officials on their ethical obligations under state law and this article. The city shall prepare and distribute written materials, regarding the ethical obligations under this article, to each city official at the time of his or her election or appointment to office."
Rosenberg	39,373	No.
Rowlett	60,236	No.
San Marcos	66,538	No.
Stafford	18,074	No.
Sugar Land	118,489	Yes. Section 2-88 provides that, "the city attorney's office will provide training and educational materials to officials on their ethical obligations under state law and this article. Such training must include at least one formal classroom session in each calendar year."

		All officials must attend the formal training session offered by the city or equivalent training sessions conducted by the Texas Municipal League or similar organizations. The city will also provide written materials on the subject to each official at the time of his or her election or appointment to office.”
The Woodlands Township (Board)	118,000	No.
Webster	11,235	No.
West University Place	15,680	No.