



**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BODY OF
COLUMBUS, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the governing body of the City of Columbus, Texas will be held on

Thursday, September 12, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

in the Council Chambers at **605 Spring Street**, Columbus, Texas,
at which time the following subjects will be discussed, to wit:

1. Call to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Invoices.
 - b. Approval of Minutes of August 22, 2013 Regular Meeting.
 - c. Approval of Minutes of September 3, 2013 Special Meeting.
4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.¹
5. City Manager's Report Including Sales Tax, Cardinal Hill Water Tower, 2012 Water System Improvements, and 2013 Street Improvements.
6. Consideration and Action to Designate Jackson Street from Milam to Bowie Streets as a One-Way Street and to Create a No-Parking Zone on the East Side of Bowie Street from Washington to Houston Streets as Requested by Columbus Elementary School.
7. Consideration and Action to Ratify Budgeted Property Tax Increase Reflected in the 2013-2014 Budget.
8. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 158-13 to Establish the Property Tax Rate of \$0.27312
9. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 159-13 to Establish Water Utility Rates.
10. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 160-13 to Establish Sewer Utility Rates.
11. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 161-13 to Establish Gas Utility Rates.
12. Consideration and Action to Approve Ordinance No. 162-13 to Establish Garbage Rates.
13. Consideration and Action to Authorize the Mayor to Enter the City of Columbus into a Contract for Public Services with Family Crisis Center, Inc.
14. Consideration and Action to Authorize the Mayor to Enter the City of Columbus into a Contract for Public Services with Combined Community Action, Inc.
15. Consideration and Action to Approve Amendment to Personnel Policies and Procedures, Section 8.01, Medical and Dental Benefits.

16. Consideration and Action to Approve Closure of Milam Street Beginning in Front of the Elementary School Ending at Walnut Street and Closure of Walnut Street to the Columbus Cardinal Football Stadium from 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2013 for the Columbus High School Homecoming Parade.
17. Consideration and Action to Approve Resolution 129-13, a Resolution Designating a Representative and Alternate to the Houston-Galveston Area Council General Assembly for 2014.
18. Consideration and Action to Approve a 2012-2013 Budget Amendment for Library Donations and Memorials Revenue and for Audio Visual and Supplies Expenditures.
19. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, Regarding the Colorado County Central Appraisal District 2014 Operating Budget.
20. Consideration and Action, if Necessary, on the August 2013 Code Enforcement Report.
21. Items from Councilmembers.
22. Announcements.²
23. Adjournment.

"The City Council for the City of Columbus reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations Regarding Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development Negotiations)."

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the governing body of the City of Columbus, Texas is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted said Notice in the enclosed bulletin board outside City Hall entrance at 605 Spring Street and drive-up window on September 9, 2013 before 6:30 p.m., place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times; to remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

DATED THIS 9th Day of September 2013

COLUMBUS, TEXAS

BY: 
Donald Warschak, City Manager

Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact City Secretary Linda Lakich 979.732.2366 or fax 979.732.8213 for additional information.

¹During this agenda item, citizens may comment for the record on items which are not on the agenda. However, the Council may not participate in discussion or deliberation on any item that is not on the agenda. Citizens may request that a topic be added to a future agenda.

Citizens who wish to comment on a posted agenda item may do so when that item is addressed by the Mayor. Citizen's comments are limited to five minutes.

²Limited to statements. Issues raised by councilmembers under this item cannot be deliberated by Council. The Open Meetings Act does not allow Council to deliberate items that don't appear on the agenda.