

STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
COUNTIES OF
GALVESTON/HARRIS
NOVEMBER 17, 2020



AGENDA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A FRIENDSWOOD CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING TO BE HELD AT 6:30 PM ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020, AT FRIENDSWOOD CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 910 S. FRIENDSWOOD DRIVE, FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, REGARDING THE ITEMS OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA LISTED BELOW:

6:30 PM – REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to order
2. Invocation
3. Pledge of Allegiance – United States and Texas
(HONOR THE TEXAS FLAG; I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THEE, TEXAS, ONE STATE UNDER GOD, ONE AND INDIVISIBLE)
4. Communications from the Public
Communications from the Public (To comply with provisions of the Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate on items discussed under this agenda item. The Council may refer this item to the City Manager or direct this item to be placed on the next regular Council agenda. Out of respect for those speaking during public comment, please refrain from any outbursts or interjections to include, but not limited to, applause and/or disparaging noises from the audience. Doing so discourages others from voicing their thoughts and opinions, and disrupts the meeting. Furthermore, any personnel complaints against a City employee aside from the City Manager, City Secretary, City Attorney or Municipal Judge cannot be discussed under this section. Please contact the City Manager's office for concerns involving a City employee.)
5. Ordinance
Consideration and possible action regarding the following:

- A. Ordinance No. T2020-46: First and Final reading of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Friendswood, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of a November 03, 2020, City of Friendswood Special Election for the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; providing for the number of votes by which the Proposition was approved and directing the City Secretary to send a certified copy of this ordinance and a map showing the city's boundaries to the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts.

6. Communications from the Mayor and Councilmembers

7. Adjournment

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive service must be made two (2) business days or more prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's Office at (281) 996-3270 for further information.

I, MELINDA WELSH, CITY SECRETARY OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE FRIENDSWOOD CITY COUNCIL WAS POSTED IN A PLACE CONVENIENT TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, ON

DATE

AT TIME

**MELINDA WELSH, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY**

****All meetings of City Council are open to the public, except when there is a necessity to meet in an Executive Session (closed to the public) under the provisions of Section 551, Texas Government Code. The City Council reserves the right to convene into Executive Session to hear any of the above described agenda items that qualify for an executive session by publicly announcing the applicable section number of the Open Meetings Act.**

FRIENDSWOOD CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM FORM

This form should be completed and forwarded to the City Manager's Office as soon as possible prior to the first date that the item is expected to be placed on the Friendswood City Council agenda.

Date requested for City Council consideration: November 17, 2020

Date submitted: 10/21/2020

Prepared by: Glenda Faulkner, Executive Secretary

Subject: Ordinance No. T2020-46: First and Final reading of an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Friendswood, Texas, canvassing the returns and declaring the results of a November 03, 2020, City of Friendswood Special Election for the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; providing for the number of votes by which the Proposition was approved and directing the City Secretary to send a certified copy of this ordinance and a map showing the city's boundaries to the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Originating Department: City Secretary

Degree of importance: Critical

SUMMARY / ORIGINATING CAUSE

This agenda item is to approve Ordinance No. 2020-46, in compliance with City Charter Section 6.04 (a) and for the purpose of canvassing the returns of the City of Friendswood Special Election which was held on November 03, 2020, to submit to the voters the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Friendswood, Texas at the rate of three-eighths (3/8) of one percent (1%) to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

IMMINENT CONSEQUENCES / BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends the approval of Ordinance No. 2020-46

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ord 2020-46 Canvass - Special Election

ORDINANCE NO. T2020-46

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF A NOVEMBER 03, 2020, CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS AT THE RATE OF THREE-EIGHTHS (3/8) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS; PROVIDING FOR THE NUMBER OF VOTES BY WHICH THE PROPOSITION WAS APPROVED AND DIRECTING THE CITY SECRETARY TO SEND A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND A MAP SHOWING THE CITY'S BOUNDARIES TO THE TEXAS STATE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

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WHEREAS, this City Council ordered an election to be held in said City on November 3, 2020, on Proposition A hereinafter stated; and

WHEREAS, said City Council has investigated all matters pertaining to said election, including the ordering, giving notice, appointing election officers, holding and making returns of said election; and

WHEREAS, the election officers who held said election have duly made the returns of the result thereof, and said returns have been duly delivered to said City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council officially finds and determines that said election was duly ordered, that proper notice of said election was duly given, that proper election officers were duly appointed prior to said election, that said election was duly held, that the City has complied with the Federal Voting Rights Act and the Texas Election Code, that due returns of the result of said election have been made and delivered, and that the City Council has duly canvassed said returns, all in accordance with law and the Ordinance calling said election.

Section 2. That the City Council officially finds and determines that the following votes were cast at said election, on the submitted Proposition A by the residents, qualified electors of said City, who voted at the election:

CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS PROPOSITION A

FOR 14,618	THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN THE CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD, TEXAS AT THE RATE OF THREE-EIGHTHS (3/8) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS. THE TAX EXPIRES ON THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DATE OF THIS ELECTION UNLESS THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX IS REAUTHORIZED.
AGAINST 6,547	

Section 3. That the City Council officially finds, determines and declares the result of said election to be that the aforesaid Proposition A has received the votes shown above, and that the Proposition shown above as receiving a majority of votes in favor thereof, being Proposition A has therefore passed and approved by a margin of 8,071 votes.

Section 4. That the City Council finds and determines that the reauthorization of the sales and use tax proposition carried at the election, and that the City Council is accordingly reauthorized to continue to levy the sales and use tax in accordance with the authority granted in this proposition and with the law.

Section 5. That the City Secretary is authorized and directed to send to the Texas State Comptroller of Public Accounts by United States certified or registered mail, a certified copy of

this Ordinance, along with a map of the City, clearly showing the boundaries of the City, as required by Section 321.405 of the Texas Tax Code.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2020.

Mike Foreman
Mayor

ATTEST:

Melinda Welsh, TRMC
City Secretary