

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING OF THE
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
CITY OF HOWE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HOWE, TEXAS WILL BE HELD ON THE 19th OF SEPTEMBER, AT 6:00 P.M., AT 700 W. HANING, HOWE, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED, TO WIT:

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE TO FLAGS

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible."

PUBLIC REQUEST – At this time comments will be taken from the audience on any subject whether or not that item is on the agenda. All comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or act on any of the items not posted on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consider/approve consent items which are marked by an *.

- * Minutes of August 22, 2017 and September 5, 2017
- * Finance statements -August 2017
- * Grayson County Fire Protection Contract

1. Discuss, consider and act upon consent agenda.

CURRENT BUSINESS

2. Discuss, consider and act upon renewal of contract with Edward Peacock, PLLC, auditing consultant, for the FY 2016-17 Audit.
3. Departmental Reports:
 - a. Police Department.
 - b. Utility Department.
 - c. Code Enforcement.
 - d. Municipal Court.

- e. Administration.
- f. Fire Department.
- g. Economic Development.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Note: Notice of these public hearings was published in the Herald Democrat, as well as on the City's website. Written notice was provided to the Howe Independent School District in accordance with state law. Property descriptions, maps and service plans are available for public viewing. Citizens and other interested parties will have an opportunity to address the voluntary petitions for annexation during the public hearings. Howe Commercial Ltd. may present background information.

PUBLIC HEARING #1

Conduct first public hearing to receive comments regarding voluntary annexation of property into the City of Howe city limits regarding Tract 1, Howe Commercial Ltd. – approximately 322.045 acres in the Joseph Hayhurst Survey, Abst. No. 530, generally located in the area of Blythe Road and State Highway 5.

END PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING #2

Conduct first public hearing to receive comments regarding voluntary annexation of property into the City of Howe city limits regarding Tract 2, Howe Commercial Ltd. – approximately 146.894 acres in the Joseph Hayhurst Survey, Abst. No. 530 and John H. Miller Survey, Abst. No. 834, generally located in the area of Blythe Road and U.S. Highway 75.

END PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING #3

Conduct second public hearing to receive comments regarding voluntary annexation of property into the City of Howe city limits regarding Tract 1, Howe Commercial Ltd. – approximately 322.045 acres in the Joseph Hayhurst Survey, Abst. No. 530, generally located in the area of Blythe Road and State Highway 5.

END PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING #4

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END PUBLIC HEARING

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Consider authorizing staff to continue with finalizing annexation process and setting annexation items on October 17, 2017, City Council agenda.

ADJOURN

Notes to agenda:

The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in the Agenda.

The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.071 – Consultation with attorney, Section 551.072 – Deliberation regarding real property, Section 551.073 – Deliberation regarding prospective gift, Section 551.074 – Personnel, Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, and Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.

Dated this 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER

By _____

This is to certify that I, Joy Stevens, City Secretary, posted this agenda in the outside display at 3:30 p.m. on September 15, 2017 at the City Hall of the City of Howe, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Request for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact Joy Stevens at 903-532-5571.

Removed on the _____ day of _____ 2017 at _____ o'clock a. m.

Joy Stevens
City Secretary