



**CITY OF TEXARKANA**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA • SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

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**Council Chambers** **Regular Meeting** **6:00 PM**

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**220 TEXAS BLVD.**  
**TEXARKANA, TX 75501**

**Mayor**

Bob Bruggeman

**Ward 1**

Jean H. Matlock

**Ward 3**

Betty Williams

**Ward 5**

Christy P. Paddock

**Ward 2**

Willie Ray

**Ward 4**

Christie Alcorn

**Ward 6**

Josh Davis



For any agenda item, the City Council reserves the right to advance the "Council Vote" date to a hearing or briefing date.

The City Council reserves the right to convene into closed session on any agenda item or issue should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by the Texas Open Meetings Act (Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code).

If the City Council convenes into closed session, they will reconvene in one hour or less to take any final action, decision, or vote on a matter deliberated in closed session.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**
  
- II. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE BY COUNCIL MEMBER JEAN MATLOCK**
  
- III. **MAYOR'S REMARKS AND ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

**Upcoming City Council Meetings:**

Monday, September 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

**Governor's Small Business Forum Meeting:**

Thursday, October 26, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Texarkana Convention Center

**Parks & Recreation Events:**

September 16 <sup>th</sup>	Softball Tournament	Karrh Park
September 22 <sup>nd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Softball Showcase	Karrh & Wallace Parks
September 30 <sup>th</sup>	Alzheimer's Alliance Walk	Spring Lake Park

For a complete list of Parks & Recreation activities and information call 903-798-3978 or visit the city website at <http://tx-texarkana.civicplus.com>

***Appointments to Boards & Commissions***

- IV. **OPEN FORUM: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (LIMIT 5 MINUTES EACH)**

Items scheduled for "Public Hearing" or have been heard at a previous "Public Hearing" are not to be addressed at the "Open Forum".

**V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION***Consent Items*

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held on August 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM.
2. Consider approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council held on September 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM.
3. Ordinance No. 2017-101 approving the cancellation of the November 7, 2017 general election for a Council Member for Ward Two (2), a Council Member for Ward Three (3), and a Council Member for Ward Five (5) as all candidates are unopposed.

Public Hearing:

Second Briefing:

Council Vote: September 11, 2017

*Action Items*

4. Resolution No. 2017-080 adopting collective bargaining for fire fighters.

Public Hearing: August 14, 2017

Second Briefing: August 28, 2017

Council Vote: September 11, 2017

5. Ordinance No. 2017-081 amending the budget estimate of the revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017 and adopting the budget and appropriating resources for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018.

Public Hearing: August 14, 2017

Second Briefing: August 28, 2017

Council Vote: September 11, 2017

6. Ordinance No. 2017-084 fixing the tax rate and levy in and for the City of Texarkana, Texas, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018 upon all taxable property in the City of Texarkana, Texas.

Public Hearing: August 28, 2017  
Second Public Hearing: September 5, 2017  
Council Vote: September 11, 2017

- 7. Resolution No. 2017-085 ratifying the recently adopted budget that contains a property tax rate that raises more total property taxes than the previous year.

Public Hearing: August 28, 2017  
Second Briefing:  
Council Vote: September 11, 2017

**VI. FIRST BRIEFINGS**

**VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**VIII. SECOND BRIEFING WITH UPDATES**

**IX. SECOND BRIEFING WITHOUT UPDATES**

**X. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

Staff Updates

**XI. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS**

- 1. City Council
- 2. City Staff

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**



Jennifer Evans  
City Secretary

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