



**CITY OF FLATONIA  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Council Chambers/City Hall  
125 E. South Main, Flatonia, Texas  
August 25, 2022, AT 6:00 pm**

**AGENDA**

**In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Flatonia will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 125 E. South Main St., Flatonia, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items:**

**Opening Agenda**

Call to Order  
Invocation & Pledge  
Citizens' Participation

**Deliberation Agenda**

DA8.3.2022.1      Consider and take appropriate action on rate increase for Texas Disposal System.

**Workshop Agenda**

WS8.3-2022.1      Workshop for FY 2022-2023 Budget

**Adjournment**

I, the undersigned authority do hereby certify that the Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board outside the front door of the City Hall of the City of Flatonia, Texas, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: **August 19, 2022 by 5:00 p.m.** and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

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Sonya Bishop, City Manager, City of Flatonia

**NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE  
AT THE PUBLIC MEETING**

The Flatonia City Hall is wheelchair accessible. Access to the building is available at the primary entrance facing Main Street. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aids or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or large print are requested to contact the City Secretary's Office at 361-865-3548 or by FAX 361-865-2817 at least two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION STATEMENT**

The City Council 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 the Texas Government Code, Section 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 Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), 551.086 (Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters) and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

**Agenda Removal Notice**

This Public Notice was removed from the official posting board at the Flatonia City Hall on the following date and time:

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Tamela Louvier,  
City Secretary, City of Flatonia

**CITY OF FLATONIA**  
Agenda Summary Form

<b>Agenda #</b>  DA8.3.2022.1	<b>Title:</b>  Consider and take appropriate action on rate increase for Texas Disposal System.
<b>Summary:</b>  Review and make appropriate action on the rate increase for Texas Disposal System.	
<b>Option(s):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> I move to make the motion to approve the School Resource Officer contract.  <input type="checkbox"/> If you are opposed to not 2 <sup>nd</sup> or make any motion. If a motion is not made, the item is dead.	
Kocian: _____ Eversole: _____ Sears: _____ Seale: _____ Mayor Pro Tem Steinhauser: _____ Mayor Geesaman _____	

"Negative" motions are generally not permitted. To dispose of a business item, the motion should be phrased as a positive action to take, and then, if the group desires not to take this action, the motion should be voted down. The exception to this rule is when a governing body is asked to take action on a request and wishes to create a record as to why the denial is justified.

## **Texas Disposal System Economic Challenges**

We are all aware, the cost of living, running a business, sustaining a City, HOA, MUD or POA, has increased drastically.

This includes vehicles, fuel, landscaping, groceries, eating out and shopping and so much more.

Have you all here ordered vehicles within the last year or so? If so, what has been your experience with this economy and shortages?

My purpose in visiting with you today is to start a dialog and review a Rate Increase request. Even though the contract allows TDS to petition you at any time for additional rate and price adjustments due to unusual changes in its cost of operations, such as revised laws, ordinances, or regulations; increases in the cost of doing business, such as but not limited to increases in fuel, insurance, in the years we've partnered with you, we have never exercised this option.

While we are reluctant to make this very 1<sup>st</sup> request we feel it prudent to do so. We feel that it is in our mutual interest that we be proactive in apprising you of the economic threats we are up against. In our 40-plus years of being in business, never have we faced such a combination of exorbitant costs as we face now. This is unprecedented for us and also for the current economy.

To help you understand the high increase cost we are up against, allow me to give you some details:

- Between June 2021 and June 2022 our fuel costs have increased by 77%
- During this same time period our labor has increased 8.3% (This consists of a 5.3% increase in Driver labor and 10.8% increase in Diesel mechanics other factors)
- In addition, our costs to recruit, train and retain our employees have gone up substantially. Our overall parts costs have increased by 20.4% (engine fluid up 19.9%, transmission fluid up 13.4%)
- Engine oil is up 31.5%, our 5500 PSI hydraulic hoses is up 31.0%
- Air Filter are up 25.6%
- Fuel filters are up 9.6% and truck tires are up 5.8%
- In addition to the manufacturing cost increasing we are also impacted by supply chain issues that are making most of these parts scarce, which drives up the cost even more.

We at TDS are being proactive in assuring that we and our partners help limit the adverse effects of the current state of economic affairs as much as possible. Unenthused, but out of necessity we are requesting a 12% rate increase to mitigate and manage current circumstances.

I will meet with everyone as soon as possible and discuss this request. Then have it on the up coming agenda for your vote and approval of this request.

Feel free to reach out to me at any time, but I will be reaching out to you all.

Frankie Bates

**Frankie Bates**

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**To:** Frankie Bates  
**Subject:** City of Flatonia / One Time Rate Increase. After Approval Begins on 10/1/22

City of Flatonia Council & Mayor,

Requesting a onetime 12% Rate Increase:

Example: With your approval starting in 10/1/22 an increase of \$2.72 making all of 2022, \$25.40

After your approval I will create the necessary documents to amend the contract.

Thank you for your help.

Frankie Bates

Description	Year 1	10/1/2022	10/1/2023	10/1/2024	10/1/2025	10/1/2026	10/1/2027	10/1/2028
Trash, 1X per week w/96 gal cart plus up to one (1) 30 gal. bag Recycle, EOW w/96 gal cart Bulky, 2xper year call in 3 CY per pickup	\$22.68	\$25.40	\$26.16	\$26.94	\$27.75	\$28.58	\$29.44	\$30.32
Extra Cart	\$12.54	\$14.00	\$14.42	\$14.85	\$15.30	\$15.76	\$16.23	\$16.72
Commercial								
Trash, 1X per week w 96/gal cart	\$35.60	\$40.00	\$41.20	\$42.44	\$43.71	\$45.02	\$46.37	\$47.76
Recycle, EOW w/96 gal cart	\$15.30	\$17.00	\$17.51	\$18.04	\$18.58	\$19.14	\$19.71	\$20.30

**THIRD AMENDMENT TO  
CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES**

THIS Amendment is made and entered into on this 1st day of December 2021, by and between the City of Flatonia, Texas (hereinafter called the "City"), and Texas Disposal Systems, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Contractor").

**RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, the City and Contractor entered into a Contract for Municipal Solid Waste and Recycle Collection and Disposal Services effective October 1, 2019. ("Agreement") and amended October 1, 2019 and October 1, 2019.

**AGREEMENTS:**

In consideration of these premises, the agreements and amendments made herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, City and Contractor hereby amend the Agreement and agree as follows:

FROM:

ATTACHMENT D

TO:

**ATTACHMENT D-3  
CITY SERVICES AND SPECIAL EVENTS  
City of Flatonia**

Frankie Jones  
512.715.2084

**City Services:**

LOCATION	SERVICE TYPE	FREQUENCY	# AND SIZE OF CONTAINER(S)
City Hall 125 E. South Main St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	One (1) 96-gallon cart
	Recycle	One (1) time every other week	One (1) 96-gallon cart
7 Acre Park 111 Garbade Lane	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	One (1) 2-Yard (YD) container
New Warehouse 625 W. US Highway 90	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	One (1) 4-YD container
Police Department 205 E. South Main St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	One (1) 96-gallon cart
	Recycle	One (1) time every other week	One (1) 96-gallon cart
RR Observation Deck 602 W. North Main St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	One (1) 96-gallon carts

Water Treatment Plant 345 E. IH 10 Frontage	Refuse	Three (3) times weekly	One (1) 2-YD container
McWhirter City Park/Pool 1135 E. Highway 90	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Two (2) 96 gallon carts
	Refuse	Two (2) times weekly	One (1) 4-YD container
	Refuse	Two (2) times weekly	One (1) 6-YD container
	Recycle	One (1) time every other week	One (1) 96-gallon cart
Softball & Basketball 1135 E. Highway 90	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Three (3) 96-gallon carts
Oak Hill Cemetery 700 N. Penn St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Two (2) 96-gallon carts
Fire Department 216 W. North Main St..	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Two (2) 96-gallon carts
	Recycle	One(1) timer every other week	One (1) 96-gallon cart
Downtown Trash Cans N. Main St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Seven (7) City-owned containers
Downtown Trash Cans S. Main St.	Refuse	One (1) time weekly	Eight (8) City-owned containers

**Special Events:**

EVENT	FREQUENCY	DATE	# AND SIZE OF CONTAINER(S)
Sacred Heart Catholic Church Spring Picnic	Annual	June	One (1) 8-YD container
Sacred Heart Catholic Church Fall Picnic	Annual	October	One (1) 8YD container
Praha Picnic	Annual	August	One (1) 40-YD roll off
Czhilispiel	Annual	October	Two (2) 40-YD roll offs Two (2) 6-YD containers

Requests for new or additional services must be made in writing and will be provided to the City at the City's expense.