



NOTICE OF A WORKSHOP SESSIONS
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF
BELL COUNTY, TEXAS
ON
August 3, 2020

In accordance with Governor Abbott's declaration of the COVID-19 public health threat, action to temporarily suspend certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, and Executive Order, a quorum of Bell County Commissioners Court may hold Workshop Sessions by video conference. The public may access these Sessions make public comments by phone using the contact information and instructions on page 3 of this notice.

Notice is hereby given that a workshop sessions of the above named Court, with certain Sessions, as indicated below, to be held via video conference at www.bellcountytexas.com/ccVideo. No action will be taken at any Workshop Session.

1. **August 3, 2020 (Monday) Workshop – 10:00 am, or immediately following the Commissioners Court regular meeting, via video conference** – Staff Workshop – Reports and updates from various County offices and departments.
2. **August 3, 2020 (Monday) Workshop – 11:00 am-** Presentation by Public Power Pool.
3. **August 3, 2020 (Monday) Workshop – 1:30 pm to be held in the Bell County Commissioners Courtroom, locate at 101 E. Central Ave., Belton, Texas:**
 - a. Presentation by Tradition Energy.
 - b. Discuss ordinance regulating games rooms.
 - c. **Closed Session** Pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code - to discuss and deliberate about officers and employees of the governmental body relating to the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer, to wit the Public Information Officer.

Budget planning/implementation, budget follow-up hearings and departmental updates workshops at specifically listed times and at 8:45 am and 1:30 pm in the Bell County Commissioners Courtroom, located at 101 E. Central Ave., Belton, Texas:

1. **August 3, 2020 (Monday)**
 - a. Budget Discussions - 8:45 am and/or 1:30 pm
2. **August 10, 2020 (Monday)**
 - a. Budget Discussions - 8:45 am and/or 1:30 pm
3. **August 17, 2020 (Monday)**
 - a. Budget Discussions - 8:45 am and/or 1:30 pm

- 4. **August 24, 2020 (Monday)**
 - a. Budget Discussions - 8:45 am and/or 1:30 pm
- 5. **August 31, 2020 (Monday)**
 - a. Budget Discussions - 8:45 am and/or 1:30 pm

COUNTY JUDGE & COMMISSIONERS MAY ATTEND (meetings and events where County elected officials may attend and county business may be discussed but no action taken unless otherwise posted):

No further discussion or action will be taken following the Closed session, save and except to call the meeting back into open session and adjourn.

Bell County Commissioners Court reserves the right to discuss any above items in executive (closed) session whenever permitted by law.

On Workshop agenda item postings, the Commissioners Court reserves the right to take the items up under consideration in any order that is deemed appropriate and necessary for the efficient conduct of the meeting.

DAVID BLACKBURN, County Judge

By: _____

I, SHELLEY COSTON, Bell County Clerk, do certify that the above Notice of Workshop Session of the Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse door of Bell County, Texas, at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the ____ day of _____, 2020, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

Dated this the ____ day of _____, 2020.

SHELLEY COSTON, Bell County Clerk

By: _____
County Clerk

Bell County Commissioner's Court Video Conference Guidelines

In order to maintain governmental transparency and continued government operation while reducing face-to-face contact for government open meetings, Bell County is implementing measures according to guidelines set forth by the Office of the Texas Governor, Greg Abbott. In accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbott has suspended various open-meetings provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. Bell County will adhere to the Governor's guidance and will ensure public accessibility and opportunity to participate in Bell County's open meeting.

Members of the public wishing to make public comment on any item listed on the agenda during the meeting must register by emailing Shelley.Coston@bellcounty.texas.gov at least one hour prior to 10:00 am on August 3, 2020. You will be given instructions on how to connect and make your comments via email. This meeting will be recorded.

If you simply wish to watch the meeting, you do not need to register to view the live stream and may join Bell County Commissioner's Court meeting as follows:

- From your computer, tablet or smartphone access the link:
www.bellcountytexas.com/ccVideo
- Following Instructions to begin streaming Commissioners Court
- If you wish to make public comments, you must register with Shelley Coston at the email address above