

**AGENDA
CITY OF EL LAGO
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 4, 2016
7:00 P.M.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON THE ABOVE LISTED DATE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO WILL HOLD A CITY COUNCIL MEETING BEGINNING AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL, 411 TALLOWOOD DRIVE, EL LAGO, TEXAS AND WILL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS.

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AT 281-326-1951, EXT. 12 OR FAX 281-326-0165 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

1. COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGES

Pledge to the American and Texas Flags

Texas Flag Pledge: *Honor the Texas flag, I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas; one state under God, one and indivisible.*

3. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Citizens are invited to speak for up to (3) three minutes on matters relating to the city and/or its government.

4. NEW BUSINESS TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

4.1. Resolution 2016-04

In Support of Storm Surge Suppression Alternative #1 from the Phase 2 Report by the Gulf Coast Community Protection and Recovery District

Documents: [RESOLUTION 2016-04 IN SUPPORT OF OF STORM SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE NO. 1.PDF](#)

4.2. Resolution 2016-05

Opposing Storm Surge Suppression Alternative No. 2

Documents: [RESOLUTION 2016-05 OPPOSING STORM SURGE SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE NO. 2.PDF](#)

4.3. Proclamation Declaring April 4, 2016 Odyssey Academy Day In El Lago

Documents: [2016-04-04 ODYSSEY ACADEMY DAY.PDF](#)

4.4. Resolution 2016-03

Confirming the Contest to Decorate the Dog Waste Receptacles

Documents: [RESOLUTION 2016-03 DOG WASTE RECEPTACLE DECORATING CONTEST BY MAYOR FOR A DAY.PDF](#)

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 7, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

[MINUTES OF THE MARCH 7, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING](#)

6. WORKSHOP SESSION - THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE FOR DISCUSSION ONLY, THERE WILL BE NO MOTIONS OR APPROVALS MADE.

6.1. Event Room/Kitchen Rental Criteria Discussion

Documents: [IA2. EVENT ROOM PROPOSAL-3.PDF](#)

7. OTHER ITEMS COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST FOR CONSIDERATION ON A FUTURE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

8. ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATE

I certify that notice of this public meeting has been posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting and will remain posted until the meeting has ended.

Ann Vernon, City Secretary

All items on the agenda are for discussion and/or action. 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 Texas Government Code

Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); 551.074 (Personnel Matters); 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices); and 551.086 (Economic Development).

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO, TEXAS: SUPPORTING STORM SURGE SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE #1 (CR#1) FROM THE FEBRUARY 23, 2016, PHASE 2 REPORT BY THE GULF COAST COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND RECOVERY DISTRICT (“GCCPRD”) AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO GCCPRD, REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND STATE LEGISLATORS THAT REPRESENT THE CITY OF EL LAGO.

WHEREAS, storm surge suppression alternatives have been published by GCCPRD identifying potential alternatives to the Harris County/Galveston County region and this district held a public hearing to evaluate moving into Phase 3 of the study on March 22, 2016; and

WHEREAS, an alternative in the report known as CR#1 (2.2.2.1 Central Region Alternate #1 (CR#1) – High Island to San Luis Pass Coastal Spine) has recommended a coastal protection system for a levee on high ground north of High Island running along SH-87 along the Bolivar Peninsula and tying into the existing Galveston Seawall continuing along the length of the island terminating at San Luis Pass; and

WHEREAS, the levee proposed in CR#1 would have elevations ranging from 18 feet to 21 feet and would also include a large navigation gate located at Bolivar Roads; and

WHEREAS, CR#1 offers a comprehensive approach to protecting the entire Harris/Galveston region and secures a more sound economic and social factor with this alternative; and

WHEREAS, the Galveston Bay area suffered significant impact from the storm surge of Hurricane Ike and supports the need of a coastal barrier system to protect industry, citizens, and regional partners in the Harris/Galveston County region before a future event hits; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 Resolution No. 2013-09 was approved by City Council and supported that a Coastal Barrier System study be funded and eventually constructed to safeguard Houston/Galveston Region from storm surge and subtropical rain events;

WHEREAS, the City supports a coastal barrier system that is technically feasible, economically sound, environmentally friendly and socially equitable.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO, TEXAS AS FOLLOWS;

That City Council of the City of El Lago supports CR#1 – High Island to San Luis Pass Coastal Spine, by GCCPRD, the only plan that does not divide protection among the region and provides a comprehensive and fair approach for storm surge protection to the people, industries, businesses, schools, government facilities, and residences and associated infrastructure within the Houston/Galveston region.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of El Lago, this 4th day of April, 2016.

Robert White, Mayor
City of El Lago

ATTEST:

Ann Vernon, City Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO, TEXAS: OPPOSING THE CONCEPT AND ANY ACTION TO PURSUE STORM SURGE SUPPRESSION ALTERNATIVE #2 (CR#2) FROM THE FEBRUARY 23, 2016, PHASE 2 REPORT BY THE GULF COAST COMMUNITY PROTECTION AND RECOVERY DISTRICT (“GCCPRD”) AND PROVIDING FOR THE DELIVERY OF SUCH RESOLUTION TO GCCPRD, REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND STATE LEGISLATORS THAT REPRESENT THE CITY OF MORGAN’S POINT.

WHEREAS, storm surge suppression alternatives have been published by GCCPRD identifying potential alternatives to the Harris/Galveston County region and this district held a public hearing to evaluate moving into Phase 3 of the study on March 22, 2016;

WHEREAS, an alternative in the report known as CR#2 (2.2.2.2 Central Region Alternate #2 (CR#2) – Texas City Levee Modifications and Extensions North (SH-146) and West-Galveston Ring Levee) has recommended a levee along SH 146 from Dickenson Bayou north through Seabrook to Old La Porte Road; and

WHEREAS, the levee proposed in CR#2 would have elevations ranging from 21.5 feet to 27 feet; and

WHEREAS, the City of El Lago, Texas (the “City”) is located in Harris County, near the proposed project site with a population of 2709 and is a community that is bordered by the city of Seabrook which is on Galveston Bay and is in relative proximity to the City of Morgan’s Point bordered by the Houston Ship Channel on the east side; and

WHEREAS, Enterprise Products, the world’s largest ethane export facility, is located within the City of Morgan’s Point in addition to the Port of Houston Authority’s Barbours Cut Terminal, the largest U.S. port on the Gulf Coast; and

WHEREAS, CR#2 would place all of Morgan’s Point and Seabrook residents and entire business community supporting the cities’ economic stability, into harm’s way for being on the “wrong” side of the levee; and

WHEREAS, the region in which the City of Morgan’s Point is located is also home to North America’s largest concentration of petroleum refining and petrochemical processing plants, second largest in the world, causing an economic impact to our region; and

WHEREAS, the City is in support of a storm surge suppression solution and in 2013 supported by Resolution No. 2013-09 that a Coastal Barrier System study be funded and eventually constructed to safeguard Houston/Galveston Region from storm surge and subtropical rain events; and

WHEREAS, the City supports CR#1 – High Island to San Luis Pass Costal Spine by GCCPRD.

WHEREAS, the City strongly opposes and does not support that CR#2 should remain an alternative to any study moving forward because of the consequences such a measure would have on the community and the region;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO, TEXAS AS FOLLOWS;

That City Council of the City of El Lago, in order to secure and protect surrounding areas and cities residents and businesses from permanent damage and loss, hereby opposes CR#2 by GCCPRD.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of El Lago, this 4th day of April, 2016.

Robert White, Mayor
City of El Lago

ATTEST:

Ann Vernon, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of El Lago

W **HEREAS**, in 1999, Robert Mosbacher began Odyssey Academy with the vision that the school would help to “ensure students build the skills, knowledge, and character traits necessary to become productive and successful citizens in today’s world;” and

WHEREAS in August 2015, Odyssey Academy opened its third public charter school; with locations now in Galveston, League City and most recently in the City of El Lago; and

WHEREAS, the El Lago location of Odyssey Academy serves over 190 students representing 15 different school districts within Galveston, Brazoria, Chambers and Harris Counties; and

WHEREAS, Odyssey has adopted and applies the *Leader in Me* program teaching 21st century leadership and life skills which incorporates the seven habits of:

- **BE PROACTIVE**
- **BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND**
- **SHARPEN THE SAW**
- **SYNERGIZE**
- **SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD**
- **THINK WIN – WIN**
- **PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST;** and

WHEREAS, the city would like to recognize the exemplary work of the teachers and students of Odyssey Academy and encourage them to continue “charting stellar journeys” through education.

N **OW, THEREFORE** I, Robert White, Mayor of the City of El Lago in the State of Texas, on behalf of the City of El Lago do hereby proclaim April 4, 2016 as

Odyssey Academy Day

and ask all citizens to join us in recognizing and acknowledging the school’s contribution in developing the leadership of tomorrow.

Signed and Sealed this 4th day of April, 2016.

Robert White, Mayor of El Lago

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO, TEXAS CREATING A DOG WASTE RECEPTACLE DECORATING CONTEST, AND SETTING DEADLINES.

WHEREAS, the City of El Lago has made great strides in an effort to reduce the city's carbon footprint by using less paper, providing curbside recycling, Christmas tree recycling and using 100% renewable sustainable energy for all the city electricity accounts; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Mayor and Council that purchasing special bags for residents to use to pick up dog waste in city parks is not only expensive, but also adds to waste in the landfills; and

WHEREAS, new receptacles have been created by city staff for use in the city parks, which can hold used grocery bags to be used for residents to pickup dog waste; and

WHEREAS, the receptacles are useful and encourage recycling, but are not very attractive; and

WHEREAS, a contest for the best design to decorate the receptacles is desired by the Mayor and Council, with the winning five entrants to have their design wrapped on a receptacle in a city park; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL LAGO:

The City Council of the City of El Lago hereby creates a Dog Waste Receptacle Decorating Contest and requests that designs on the provided contest form as shown in Attachment A, are submitted t no later than May 2, 2016.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 4th day of April, 2016.

Robert White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann Vernon, City Secretary

EVENT ROOM PROPOSAL

As proposed by:Carolynn Stanley & Jeff Tave

As reviewed for operational execution by: Donna Bova & Ann Vernon

FEES

	Resident	Non-resident	Deposit
Room (5 hours)	\$400	\$550	\$100
Additional Room rate	\$80/hr	\$110/hr	
Kitchen (5 hours)*	\$150	\$250	\$100
Additional Kitchen rate	\$30/hr	\$50/hr	

* Grill/fryer/oven use would require training and operator must be AT LEAST 18 years of age.

- Deposit fees due at time of reservation. Room/kitchen fees due 2 weeks prior to event. If reservation cancelled within 72 hours of event, 50% rental fees forfeited.
- Deposit refunded in full if all clean and undamaged. If only cleanliness issue, a minimum of 50% deposit will be withheld.
- Room fees: Local 501-C/503-B organizations may request waiver to room and/or kitchen fees for events 3 hours or less at the discretion of El Lago City Council.
- Presence of alcohol (availability, serving, sales) must be documented on rental agreement. (**Question:** If alcohol is served/sold, should there be a security guard?) Also, a statement about renter responsibility of not serving alcohol to the underage must be signed off on rental agreement.

EVENT ROOM

- Event participation size limited to **XXX** --- as specified by Fire Marshall to allow for safe exit of room in the event of emergency.
- Rental includes use of stage and existing tables and chairs within room (the following needs to be specified on rental form: amount of tables & chairs, existence of stage, need for corded microphone, and pre-configuration of audio/visual (A/V) rack by city staff). Final configuration of table/chair layout and whether permitted city-owned A/V equipment is required at least 72 hours prior to event. No changes to configuration will be permitted within 24 hours of event unless renter performs reconfiguration.

- To receive full refund of deposit, all facilities (room, bathroom, kitchen, city-owned equipment) must be left in good, working condition and which a general cleaning (vacuum, mop, wipe) will return the facility to its former condition as found. If kitchen is rented, all city-owned facility inventory must be in place except for normal use of consumables. All A/V equipment will be tested for proper operation. All trash must either be placed in the dumpster or in the supplied trash receptacles. There must not be any permanent marks/hole on/in walls, carpet, floor, tables/chairs/chairs, or building fixtures.
- If the kitchen is not rented, its access will be restricted (locked).
- Decorations will be limited to chair, table, or free standing. No decorations may be attached to ceiling, walls, windows, floors UNLESS an approved method of application is used (i.e. 3M removable hooks, etc.). Nails, screws, or any items which will leave a mark or hole in the wall are not allowed.
- Use of city-owned audio/visual (A/V) equipment and speaker system may be allowed only through external interface (wall jacks) and with prior set-up by city staff as required. No access to A/V rack via storage area shall be permitted (ensures A/V equipment and storage room security). Use of city-owned corded microphone may be permitted upon request (cordless equipment will NOT to be made available due to value).
- Use of outside patio area immediately behind event room may be reserved. External breezeway and patio area between community room and fitness center may NOT be reserved.
- Event guests must follow all parking restrictions per signage and/or ordinance. Parking areas may not be restricted/reserved.

CONCESSIONS/MERCHANDISE

Use of facility that includes sale of merchandise (or service) will incur a 15% retention of receipts minus rental fees as a concessionary fee. A statement of accounting is due prior to deposit being returned. Local 501-C/503-B organizations may request a reduction or waiver to concession fee at the discretion of El Lago City Council.

For example:

\$2000 merchandise sold

-\$800 rental fee (exclusive of deposit)

\$1200 X 15% = \$180 concession fee