



**CITY OF LA MARQUE  
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR AGENDA  
of  
May 20, 2025**

Notice is hereby given that the Public Safety Building Committee of the City of La Marque, Texas will conduct a **Regular Meeting** on **MAY 20, 2025**, beginning at **5:00 PM** in the **Council Chambers** at **1109-B Bayou Road La Marque, Texas as well as via video-conference hosted through Zoom ([bczoom.cityoflamarque.org](https://bczoom.cityoflamarque.org))**. In accordance with Section 551.127(b) of the Texas Local Government Code the presiding officer and a quorum of the Committee intend to be and will be physically present at 1109-B Bayou Road, La Marque, Texas. This location will be open to the public.

The Committee will meet for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PRESENTATIONS
4. REPORTS
  - 4.I. ADICO Engineering - Engineering Report
5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION  
**LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON**

Comments from the public will be heard at this time. Any person with city-related business who has signed up may speak to the Committee (limited to three (3) minutes). If wishing to speak give the Chair or presiding officer your full legal name and the item you wish to speak about. In compliance with Texas Open Meeting Act, the City may not deliberate on comments. Personal attacks will not be allowed, and personnel matters should be addressed to the City Manager during normal business hours. *Press \*6 to mute or unmute if you are participating by telephone, press the unmute button if attending via zoom on a smartphone, tablet or computer, or stand if attending in person, and the presiding officer will call on you in turn.*

6. MINUTES
  - 6.I. Public Safety Building Committee Minutes 05.05.2025
  - 6.II. Public Safety Building Committee Minutes 04.07.2025

7. NEW BUSINESS

*Items presented to the Committee for discussion and possible action:*

7.I. Reviewing a proposal for architectural services from Project Luong

7.II. Reviewing the engineering report as presented by ADICO Engineering

8. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. ADJOURNMENT

**CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted at 1109-B Bayou Road, La Marque, Texas on May 15, 2025 by 5:00 p.m.

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Kierra K. Nance, TRMC  
City Clerk



**CITY OF LA MARQUE  
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MINUTES  
of  
May 5, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Cantu called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Dashiel Cantu	Chairperson
Willmon Smith	Vice-Chair
Orlando Archibald	Committee Member
Robert Michetich	Committee Member
Sally Austin	Alternate

ABSENT:

Jamie Loftis	Committee Member
Conan King	Alternate
Jackie Pennington	Alternate

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was no citizen's participation.

5. MINUTES

5.1. Public Safety Building Committee Minutes 04.07.2025

Committee member Michetich requested language be included that he requested a written summary from ADICO Engineering regarding his presentation, and additional clarifying language regarding "Building A" status.

Committee member Michetich believes that ADICO is trying to skew the height requirements for a critical use facility as the Central Fire Station is only 18 inches above the base flood elevation, and they require 3 feet for the Public Safety Building. He asked that a written report be submitted to the committee.

**No action was taken on this item.**

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Considering locations for the Public Safety Building

City Clerk Nance gave a brief update regarding the request for elevation surveys from the previous meeting. Two of the requested locations did not have buildings

on them, so it was suggested that, in the essence of fiscal responsibility, that the city not survey those two locations as the elevation would be addressed by the architectural firm. The city had not yet received the survey for "Building A" and the City Administration did not approve surveying the location at 2809 Cedar. Committee member Michetich shared his frustrations of asking for new surveys for 5 months and not having received them.

Chairman Cantu felt that the committee "gets off on a lot of tangents" but should stay on track. The committee is responsible for determining a location and obtaining plans. He asked the committee to finalize two locations to move forward with.

City Clerk Nance was asked to obtain the acreage of the property known as Building A and the 1217 Vauthier location. It was determined that the Building A property would need to be surveyed as there are multiple facilities on the tract of land and it could not be isolated. The property at 1217 Vauthier is listed at 7.3070 acres according to the Galveston County Appraisal District. The property listed as 100 Lake Road is only 1.3 acres.

After much discussion it was determined that the 100 Lake Road location would not be sufficient in size.

Chairman Cantu made a motion to select the property known as Building A as the primary site and 1217 Vauthier as the secondary site. Vice-Chair Smith seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Vice-Chair Smith made a motion to present the primary and secondary locations to Luong & Associates for a quote. Committee member Michetich seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

6.II. Preparing to present to City Council on May 12, 2025

It was determined that Chairman Cantu would present to the council on May 12, 2025. His presentation would consist of identifying the primary and secondary locations, and, if available, the quote for architectural service.

7. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Cantu requested that ADICO Engineering appear at the next committee meeting tentatively scheduled for May 20, 2025 at 5 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

*\*\*Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.*



**CITY OF LA MARQUE  
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MINUTES  
of  
April 7, 2025**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

All members were present except Chairman Cantu.

3. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

There was no Citizen's Participation.

4. MINUTES

4.1. Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2025

Committee member Michetich made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 17, 2025. Committee member Archibald seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1. Addressing possible scope of work with the city's Civil Engineers

Consulting Engineer Dinh Ho of Adico Engineering was consulted for this item. He stated that Building A is a steel-frame facility built in the 1970s, and sits in a low-lying area. There would be drainage improvements required, as determined by LJA Engineering prior to ADICO's tenure with the City. The Building Code requires a police station to be 3 feet above the FEMA base flood elevation. However, the process has begun to have a survey of the site to ensure that it is in compliance with the building code. The structure is "not in the greatest of shape" and a structure analysis has not been completed to date, but aspects of the building are on its "last leg". Approximately 4 years ago, the city received a quote of about \$300,000 to replace the roof.

There are concerns regarding the program presented by McLemore Luong & Associates, which was created for the rehabilitation of the current department facility.

Discussions regarding the International Building Code's requirements for "critical needs facilities", including police and other emergency services facilities, ensued with Committee member Michetich questioning the height requirement for a critical needs facility, as the Central Fire Station is also a critical needs facility but was not required to have the same elevation.

Discussions regarding the need for a new topographical survey of the location.

Committee member Archibald questioned if there had been any discussion regarding tearing down the facility. Mr. Ho shared that the structure itself is in good condition, and could be utilized in other ways. However, at present, it is not believed to be suitable for a critical needs facility.

Committee member Michetich requested a written summary of the Engineer's assessment of Building A, asking for additional language to clarify the requirements of the Building Code.

**No action taken.**

5.II. Reviewing process for soliciting architectural firms for services

Engineer Ho shared that it is usually recommended that a location be selected prior to the solicitation of architectural firms. The design will be contingent upon the site, and in order to adequately prepare for those services, a site should be determined. From a cost-saving perspective, most of the "high level" work has already been completed. Bringing in a new architect at this juncture would be doing duplicate work.

Committee member Michetich made a motion to request the Interim City Manager to obtain an elevation survey for the property known as Building A.

Committee member Loftis questioned if the board is committed to this location.

Committee member Michetich amended his motion to request the Interim City Manager to obtain an elevation survey for the property known as Building A at 4916 Texas Ave La Marque, TX, 2809 Cedar Dr La Marque, TX, and the former Lake Road Elementary site at 100 Lake Rd La Marque, TX.

Discussions regarding site selections, and potential additional sites for consideration, including property owned by the Economic Development Corporation, ensued, followed by conversations regarding required lot size.

Mr. Ho recommended a location that has a minimum of approximately 5 acres, on a major road that is not prone to flooding.

Vice Chair Smith seconded the motion.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5.III. Selecting next meeting date for Public Safety Building Committee

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 5th, 2025 at 5 p.m.

6. REQUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no requests or announcements.

7. ADJOURNMENT

*\*\*The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.*