

Agenda

Ruston City Council Retreat

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Tuesday, May 16, 2023

3:00 PM

3:00 Call to Order

3:05 Discussion of Ground Rules and Retreat Framework

3:10 Ice Breaker Question and Discussion

3:30 General Discussion – Council Vision for Ruston 2050

During the retreat, we will consider things about Ruston that you hold dear and that you hope will be true in the future and how you see the City evolving over the next 25+ years.

4:30 General Discussion – Council Goals

Short Term – This is a time to talk about the important initiatives that you want the City to pursue in the coming 12 to 36 months. Councilmembers will have the opportunity to share individual priorities during the retreat, and we will work together to identify the collective energy and interest of the body concerning all the priorities identified.

(45 minutes to 1 hour allotted for Short Term Goals)

Long Term – This time to talk about the important initiatives that you want the City to pursue in the coming 36 to 60 months. Councilmembers will have the opportunity to share individual priorities during the retreat, and we will work together to identify the collective energy and interest of the body concerning all the priorities identified.

(45 minutes to 1 hour allotted for Long Term Goals)

6:15 Wrap Up – Summarize Progress and Closing Thoughts

6:30 Adjourn

Meeting expectations and norms

- Listen with respect
 - Let others finish before you start talking
 - Be attentive to the speaker
 - Disagree agreeably
 - Share floor time
 - Make sure everyone gets a chance to talk

- Be:
 - **BOLD**
 - Positive and realistic
 - Candid and honest
 - Patient and self-aware
 - Engaged and fully present

- Strive for consensus
 - Look for opportunities to agree
 - Remember the power of “if” and “and”

- Assume others are acting with good intentions

- Extend grace to others

- Remain open-minded

- Respect differing views

- Have fun!