

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 17, 2023
Minutes

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Catherine Eaves called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The meeting was held at City Council Chambers located at 803 West Holland Avenue and via Zoom Videoconference in the City of Alpine, Texas. Mayor Eaves led the pledge of allegiance to the flags.

2. **Determination of a Quorum and Proof of Notice of the Meeting** –

City Council Members Present:

Mayor Catherine Eaves
Councilor Judy Stokes
Councilor Chris Rodriguez
Councilor Sara Tandy
Councilor Martin Sandate

Not Present:

Councilor Jerry Johnson

City Staff and Stakeholders Present:

Megan Antrim, City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Rod Ponton, City Attorney
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police
Eddie Molinar, Director of Public Works
Adelina Beall, Environmental Services Coordinator
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor
Darin Nance, Parks and Recreation Board Chair
Patsy Culver, Animal Advisory Board Chair

Mayor Eaves announced that a quorum of the City Council was present at the City Council Chambers and City Secretary, Geoffrey Calderon, reported that the meeting agenda was posted by 2:00 P.M. on January 13, 2023.

3. **Public Comments** – (limited to 3 minutes per person) – None.

4. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** – None.

5. **Reports** – Copies of presentations displayed during the meeting are posted on the City website at www.cityofalpine.com/reports –

City Mayor Report

1. Water Leaks.
2. Infrastructure.
3. Thank you(s)

City Attorney Report –

1. Update on Municipal Court.
2. Skyway Gardens.
3. Other.

City Manager Report –

1. City Website – Addition of FAQ Page(s).
2. Airport Lighting Project Update.

3. Utility Department Report.
4. Legislation Updates.
5. Strategic Prioritization/Goal Workshops.
6. Gas Department Report.

City Staff Updates –

1. Public Works Department Report by Director of Public Works, Eddie Molinar.
2. Environmental Services Department Report by Coordinator, Adelina Beall.

6. Public Hearings – None.

7. Consent Agenda – (Minutes, Financial reports, Department written reports, Board appointments, etc.) – (Notice to the Public – The following items are of a routine and administrative nature. The Council has been furnished with background and support material on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Council Member, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.) –

1. Approval of January 3, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of the excused absence of Councilor Rodriguez from the January 3, 2023 Regular City Council meeting. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
3. Approval of the appointment of Cyndi Purdue to Place 5 (Music-Focused Events) position on the Music Advisory Board. (C. Eaves, Mayor)
4. Approval of the appointment of Rick Ruiz to the Place 2 (Musician) position on the Music Advisory Board. (J. Stokes, City Council)

RESOLUTION 2023-01-09: On a motion by Councilor Tandy and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Animal Advisory Board Update by Chair, Patsy Culver. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
2. Discuss the addition of a stop sign or yield sign on North 8th Street and Avenue A. (J. Stokes, City Council)
3. Discuss the impact of cutting streets for new service requests, including processes, procedures, costs to the City, impact fees, and other pertinent information. (S. Tandy, City Council)
4. Discussion regarding the behavior of the City Attorney, including comments made to the media, taking action without authorization of the Council or City Manager, and other performance issues. (C. Rodriguez, City Council)

9. Action items to be accompanied by a brief statement of facts, including where funds are coming from, if applicable. (Action items are limited to 10 per meeting.) –

1. Approve Order 2023-01-01, an Order of General Election for May 6, 2023, for the purpose of electing one Ward 1 Council Member, one Ward 3 Council Member, and one Ward 5 Council

Member for two-year terms; with early voting from April 24, 2023, to May 2, 2023. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

RESOLUTION 2023-01-10: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Stokes to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

10. City Council Member Comments and Answers – No discussion or action may take place.

NOTICE: 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 on the posted agenda, above, Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 (consultation with an 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).

11. Executive Session – None.

12. Action – Executive Session – None.

13. Adjourn. (7:16 P.M.)

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Catherine Eaves, Mayor

Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, Geoffrey R. Calderon, hereby certify that this notice was posted at City Hall, in a convenient and readily accessible place to the general public, and to the City website at www.cityofalpine.com/agenda pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted by 2:00 P.M. on January 13, 2023, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting. This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking space is available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the Office of the City Secretary at (432) 837-3301, option 1, or email city.secretary@cityofalpine.com for further information.

Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary