

City of Alpine
Workshop Meeting and
3:00 P.M.
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 02, 2021
5:30 P.M.
Minutes

WORKSHOP MEETING – 3:00 P.M.
AGENDA

1. Call to Order- Mayor Ramos call the meeting to order.
 2. Determination of a Quorum and proof of notice of the meeting.
 3. Workshop:
 - a. Key City priorities and initiatives
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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – 5:30 P.M.
AGENDA

1. Call to Order, and Pledge of allegiance to the flags – Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order. The meeting was held at Council Chambers and via Zoom Conference in the City of Alpine, Texas. Mayor Ramos led the pledge of allegiance to the flags.
2. Determination of a quorum and proof of notice of the meeting – Councilor Curry, Councilor Rodriguez, Councilor Sandate, and Councilor Stephens attended at the Council Chambers. Mayor Ramos, Councilor Betty Fitzgerald attended via zoom. City Secretary, Cynthia Salas reported that the agenda was posted at 2:00 P.M. on January 29, 2021. City Manager Erik Zimmer attended at Council Chambers. City Secretary Cynthia Salas attended via zoom.
3. Public Comments (limited to 3 minutes per person) – Oscar Cobos
4. Presentation, Recognitions, and Proclamations – (A. Ramos, Mayor)
5. Reports – Copies of the charts presented during the meeting are posted on the City website at www.cityofalpine.com/cmreports.

City Mayor's Report – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – None

City Attorney's Report –

- Update on case file review in Municipal Court

City Manager Report –

- Coronavirus Update
- Vaccine Distribution Update
- Fair Housing Call Update
- Election Packet Distribution Update

City Staff Updates –

- Environmental Services Program Update by Adelina Beall
- Animal Control Services Update by Jennifer Stewart

6. Public Hearing –

- Public Hearing to obtain citizens views and comments on Ordinance 2021-01-01, a Short-Term Rental Ordinance for the City of Alpine
- Public Hearing to obtain citizens views and comments on Ordinance 2021-01-02, a Utility Billing Ordinance for the City of Alpine

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 minutes from City Council meeting on January 5, 2021. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-01 to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Coin Operated Businesses. (A. Ramos, Mayor)
2. Jail and needs of the City of Alpine Police Department. (R. Stephens, City Council)

9. Action items to be accompanied by a brief statement of facts, including where funds are coming from, if applicable. (Action items limited to (up to 10 per meeting.) after being called upon by Mayor or Mayor Pro Term. Citizens are required to state their name and the Ward in which they reside. Priority will be given to citizens of Alpine and those who own businesses or property in the City. Individuals who do not live in, or own businesses or property in the City limits of Alpine, will be allowed to speak if there is time available.) –

1. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on the second and final reading of Ordinance 2021-01-01, for Short-Term Rental Ordinance for the City of Alpine. (C. Rodriguez, City Council) – Motion was made by Councilor Rodriguez, by Resolution 2021-02-02 to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2021-01-01, for Short-Term Rental Ordinance for the City of Alpine with Resolution 2021-02-11 to follow at the next Council meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilor Stephens. Motion unanimously carried.
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on the second and final Ordinance 2021-01-02, a Utility Billing Ordinance for the City of Alpine. (E. Zimmer, City Manager) – Motion was made by

Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-03 to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2021-01-02, a Utility Billing Ordinance for the City of Alpine. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

3. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action approving the City Attorney contract. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)- **Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolutions 2021-02-04 on approving the City Attorney contract. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.**

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

11. Executive Session - Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 Consultation with Attorney on a matter for which it is the duty of the City Attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflict with this Chapter and requires discussion of the item in closed session), and 551.071(consultation with attorney regarding potential or contemplated claims against the City) Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074 – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee. –

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-05, to move into Executive Session. Motion was Seconded by Council Curry. (7:05pm)

1. Discuss letter from Texas RioGrande Legal Aid. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

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, as authorized by the Texas Government 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)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-06, to come out of Executive Session. Motion was seconded by Councilor Sandate (7:24pm)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-07 to move into open session. Motion was seconded by Councilor Betty Fitzgerald(7:25pm)

12. Action – Executive Session –

1. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if any, on letter from Texas RioGrande Legal Aid. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2021-02-08 to take no action. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

I certify that this notice was posted at 2:00 P.M. on January 29, 2021, pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act. (Texas Vernon's Annotated Civil statutes, section 551.043 Texas Government Code.) 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 city secretary's office at (432) 837-3301 or fax (432) 837-2044 for further information.

Andres "Andy" Ramos, Mayor

Attest:

Council minutes: 02-02-2021

Approved: 02-16-2021

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary

I, Cynthia Salas, City Secretary, do certify that this notice was posted at 2:00 P.M. on January 29, 2021, and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary