

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 15, 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 Darin Nance
Councilor Martin Sandate
Councilor Rick Stephens

Not Present: None.

City Staff and Stakeholders Present:

Megan Antrim, City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Marianella Joseph, City Attorney
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police
Andrew Devaney, Building Official
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor
Jessica Boorse, Code Enforcement Officer
Riley Smith, Airport Operator

Others Present: Approximately 7 other attendees.

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 August 11, 2023.

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

4. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** –

1. Presentation of Certificate to Ben Struthers for his two years of service to the Parks and Recreation Board. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

Mayor Eaves presented a certificate of Honor and Recognition to Ben Struthers for his two years of service to the Parks and Recreation Board.

2. Proclamation for National Aviation Day - August 19. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

Proclamation for National Aviation Day was accepted by Airport Supervisor, Abel Hinojos, Airport Operator, Riley Smith, and Councilor Rick Stephens.

3. Building and Code Staff Appreciation Day - September 1. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

Proclamation for Building and Code Staff Appreciation Day was accepted by Building Official, Andrew Devaney, and Code Enforcement Officer, Jessica Boorse.

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

City Mayor Report.

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City Attorney Report.

City Manager Report.

City Staff Updates.

6. Public Hearings –

Open (5:41 P.M.)

1. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding Special Use Permit 2023-08-02, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 602 N. Cockrell St. The property owner of record is Carter McDonald. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11000.

Public Comments: Carl Fleming, Ward 5.

2. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding Special Use Permit 2023-08-03, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 405 W Ave E. The property owner of record is David and Laurie Oyer. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11881.

Public Comments: None.

3. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding Special Use Permit 2023-08-04, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 203 W. Lockhart Ave. The property owner of record is Nan Hatty Edwards. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11992.

Public Comments: None.

4. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the first reading of Ordinance 2023-08-01, an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024; Appropriating money to a sinking fund to pay interest and principal on the City's indebtedness; Adopting the annual budget of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Public Comments: None.

Close (5:48 P.M.)

- 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 August 1, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 City Meeting Calendar. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

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3. Approval of Special Use Permit 2023-08-02, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 602 N. Cockrell St. The property owner of record is Carter McDonald. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11000. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
4. Approval of Special Use Permit 2023-08-03, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 405 W Ave E. The property owner of record is David and Laurie Oyer. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11881. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
5. Approval of Special Use Permit 2023-08-04, a Short term Rental Special Use Permit allowing a short term rental to be established at 203 W. Lockhart Ave. The property owner of record is Nan Hatty Edwards. The Parcel ID of the subject property is 11992. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
6. Approval of Bojorquez Law Firm July 2023 Invoice. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

Item no. 3 & item no. 5 were removed from the normal sequence of the consent agenda for individual consideration by Councilor Stephens.

RESOLUTION 2023-08-20: On a motion by Councilor Stephens and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to approve items 1, 2, 4, and 6, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

RESOLUTION 2023-08-21: On a motion by Councilor Stephens and seconded by Councilor Stokes to approve item no. 3, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

RESOLUTION 2023-08-22: On a motion by Councilor Stephens and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to approve item no. 5, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Presentation by Collin Bibb regarding the Big Bend Hotel Portfolio including the Holland Hotel and the Maverick. (C. Eaves, Mayor)
2. Potential policy for City Donations for Nonprofits. (C. Eaves, Mayor)
3. Discussion on Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Property Tax Rate. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
4. Discuss and set dates for the 4 Workshops agreed to at the August 1st City Council meeting. (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 are limited to 10 per meeting.) –

1. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2023-08-01, an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024; Appropriating money to a sinking fund to pay interest and principal on the City's indebtedness; Adopting the annual budget of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2023-08-23: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

2. Approve Resolution 2023-08-18, a resolution approving live music permitting fees in accordance with Chapter 26 - Civic and Cultural Affairs, Article III - Noise to the Alpine Code of Ordinances. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2023-08-24: On a motion by Councilor Stokes and seconded by Councilor Nance to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

3. Approve Resolution 2023-08-19, a resolution authorizing the Alpine Police Department to participate in the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grants Program, Local Border Security Program (LBSP) for Fiscal Year 2024. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2023-08-25: On a motion by Councilor Stephens and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

RESOLUTION 2023-08-26: Councilor Stephens moved to amend the original motion to amend the grant number to 4385502. Councilor Stokes seconded the motion. The City Council unanimously voted to adopt the amendment to the motion. The City Council subsequently voted to adopt the original motion as amended.

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

NOTICE: The City Council reserves the right to reconvene, recess, realign, change the order of business, or adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of the meeting prior to adjournment, to discuss any item 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 551.087 (development).

11. **Executive Session** – None.
12. **Action – Executive Session** – None.
13. **Adjourn.** (7:03 P.M.)

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Catherine Eaves, Mayor

Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, Geoffrey R. Calderon, hereby certify that notice of this meeting 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 August 11, 2023, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting.

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Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary