

**City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 4, 2022
Minutes**

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 5:30 P.M.

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Andres Ramos 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 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** –

City Council Members Present:

Mayor Andres Ramos
Councilor Judy Stokes
Councilor Chris Rodriguez
Councilor Martin Sandate
Councilor Jerry Johnson

City Staff Present:

Megan Antrim, Interim City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police
Keith Segar, Director of Utilities
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor
Heather Yadon, Visitor Center Coordinator
Aleksandra Chapman, Court Clerk

Not Present:

Councilor Sara Tandy

City Secretary, Geoffrey Calderon, determined that a quorum of the City Council was present at the City Council Chambers and reported that the meeting agenda was posted at 2:00 P.M. on December 22, 2021.

3. **Public Comments** – (limited to 3 minutes per person) –

- Rick Stephens, Ward 5, expressed concerns relative to Ordinance 2022-01-01 and concerns regarding the Finance Update Report.
- Karen Cantrell, Ward 1, expressed concerns relative to the waste and recycling collection fees in the Finance Update Report.

4. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – None.

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

City Attorney's Report

City Manager Report

- Finance Update
- City Update

City Staff Updates

- Police Department by Chief of Police, Darrell Losoya
- Visitor Center by Visitor Center Coordinator, Heather Yadon
- Municipal Court by Court Clerk, Aleksandra Chapman

6. Public Hearings –

1. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments on a Special Use Permit application by applicant, Eric Faust, for the purpose of obtaining an alcohol license/permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a convenience store located at 610 W. Holland Avenue. Owner(s) of record Leonardo Sonoqui.

Public Comments: 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 December 07, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of the appointment of Wendy Little to the vacant Ward 2 position on the Planning & Zoning Commission (C. Rodriguez, City Council)
3. Approval of the appointment of Michael Eason to the vacant Ward 5 position on the Planning & Zoning Commission (J. Johnson, City Council)
4. Approval of Public Utilities Worker I / Meter Reader Job Description (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-01: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to approve the consent agenda as presented, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. ADA accessible parking at the American Legion (J. Stokes, City Council)
2. Alpine Public Library - Don Wetterauer (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

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

1. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01-01, an Ordinance amending Chapter 23 - City Council to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Amending Article II - Rules of Procedure; Amending Article III - Rules of Decorum (J. Johnson, City Council)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-02: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01-01, an Ordinance amending

Chapter 23 – City Council to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Amending Article II – Rules of Procedure; Amending Article III – Rules of Decorum, the City Council voted to approve the motion 3 to 0, with Councilor Rodriguez abstaining.

2. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01-02, an Ordinance amending Chapter 2 - Administration, Article IV - Finance, establishing Division 3 - Uncollectable Debt to the Alpine Code of Ordinances (Megan Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-03: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Rodriguez to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01-02, the City Council voted to adopt the motion unanimously.

3. Approve Order 2022-01-01, an Order of General Election for May 7, 2022, for the purpose of electing one Mayor, one Ward 2 Council Member, and one Ward 4 Council Member for two-year terms; with early voting from April 25, 2022 to May 3, 2022 (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-04: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve Order 2022-01-01, an Order of General Election for May 7, 2022, for the purpose of electing one Mayor, one Ward 2 Council Member, and one Ward 4 Council Member for two-year terms; with early voting from April 25, 2022 to May 3, 2022, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

4. Approve recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to issue a Special Use Permit to applicant, Eric Faust, for the purpose of obtaining an alcohol license/permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a convenience store located at 610 W. Holland Avenue. Owner(s) of record Leonardo Sonoqui (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-05: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to issue a Special Use Permit to applicant, Eric Faust, for the purpose of obtaining an alcohol license/permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a convenience store located at 610 W. Holland Avenue, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

5. Approve the appointment of a City Councilmember as Brewster County Liaison (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-01-06: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve the appointment of Judy Stokes as the Brewster County Liason, the City Council voted unanimously 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.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

13. Adjourn. (7:54 P.M.)

ATTEST:

Andres “Andy” Ramos, Mayor

Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, Geoffrey R. Calderon, hereby certify that this notice was posted at City Hall, a convenient and readily accessible place to the general public, and to the City website at www.cityofalpine.com pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted at 2:00 P.M. on December 22, 2021, 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@ci.alpine.tx.us for further information.

Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary