

City of Alpine
Workshop Meeting and
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 15, 2019
4:00 P.M.
Minutes

WORKSHOP MEETING – 4:00PM

Agenda

1. Call to Order
 2. Determination of a Quorum and Proof of Notice of City Council Meeting.
 3. Workshop
 - A. KSA Street Study workshop. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
 4. Adjourn
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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – 5:30 P.M.

Agenda

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of allegiance to the flags – Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at 803 West Holland in the City of Alpine, Texas. Fr. Fred Janecek gave the invocation. 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 Olivas, Councilor Escovedo, Councilor Stephens and Mayor Ramos were present. Councilor Betty Fitzgerald was absent and excused. City Secretary, Cynthia Salas reported that the agenda was posted at 2:00 P.M. on October 11, 2019. City Manager, Erik Zimmer, City Attorney Rod Ponton, Director of Finance Megan Antrim, and Abel Hinojos were also present
3. Public Comments (limited to 3 minutes per person).
4. Presentations, Recognitions and Proclamations – (A. Ramos, Mayor)
 - Certificate of Recognition – Ricky Olivas – Water Department.
5. Reports -
 - City Mayor’s Report – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – None
 - City Attorney’s Report –
 - Personnel Communications
 - City Manager Report –

- 180 Day Plan
- Financial Report
- Budget Survey
- Alpine Landfill Update
- Percolation Rate – Skyway Gardens

City Staff Updates – None

6. Public Hearings –

- A. Public Hearing to obtain citizen’s views and comments on Ordinance 2019-10-01, an Ordinance of the City of Alpine, Texas, establishing a school zone adjacent to the Alpine High School along State Hwy 118 and State Hwy 223. Establishing the speed limit in the school zone at 15 miles per hour while beacons are flashing, authorizing traffic control signs to be installed, and establish a fine for the violation of this Ordinance.

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.)

- A. Approval of minutes from City Council meeting on October 1, 2019. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
- B. Approval to adopt Resolution 2019-10-06 for Mayor Pro Tem, Rick Stephens, to continue serving as the City Representative on the Brewster County Appraisal District (CAD) Board for the City of Alpine. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-10-08 to approve consent agenda as written. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion was amended by Councilor Stephens to approve consent agenda for item “A”. Motion was seconded by Councilor Betty Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

8. Information or Discussion items –

- A. Quarterly Report – Visitor Center by Ellen Melvin
- B. Quarterly Report – Gas Enterprise by Randy Guzman
- C. Quarterly Report – Police Dept. by Interim Chief Darrell Losoya
- D. Discuss options for putting in place a noise abatement strategy with reasonable limits regarding volume and time limits for outdoor music. (R. Stephens, City Council)
- E. Discuss the assessment by the Alpine Police Department on the speed limit change on Gallego Ave. from 1st street to 7th street at the Community Center area. (L. Escovedo, City Council)
- F. Provide an update on the 3 transportation studies underway at the State and local level that potentially impact Alpine. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
- G. Meeting date for December 2019. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
- H. Continue discussion and dialogue on updating the City Ordinance to improve City Boards and Commissions, including the process for City Board and Commission member selection.(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.) –

- B. Approval to adopt Resolution 2019-10-06 for Mayor Pro Tem, Rick Stephens, to continue serving as the City Representative on the Brewster County Appraisal District (CAD) Board for the City of Alpine. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-10-09 to approve that Mayor Pro Tem, Rick Stephens, to continue serving as the City Representative on the Brewster County Appraisal District (CAD) Board for the City of Alpine. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

1. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to approve on the second and final reading of Ordinance 2019-10-01, an Ordinance of the City of Alpine, Texas establishing a school zone adjacent to the Alpine High School along State Hwy 118 and State Hwy 223. Establishing the speed limit in the school zone at 15 miles per hour while beacons are flashing, authorizing traffic control signs to be installed, and establish a fine for the violation of this Ordinance. (E. Zimmer, City Manager) - Motion was made by Councilor Curry, by Resolution 2019-10-10 to take appropriate action to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2019-10-01, an Ordinance of the City of Alpine, Texas establishing a school zone adjacent to the Alpine High School along State Hwy 118 and State Hwy 223. Establishing the speed limit in the school zone at 15 miles per hour while beacons are flashing, authorizing traffic control signs to be installed, and establish a fine for the violation of this Ordinance. Motion was seconded by Councilor Olivas. Motion unanimously carried.
 2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to approve contract for City Manager, Erik Zimmer. (R. Stephens, City Council) – Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-10-11, to approve contract for City Manager Erik Zimmer as of September 3, 2019. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.
 3. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to approve the auction of vehicles from the City of Alpine.(E. Zimmer, City Manager) – Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-10-12 to approve the auction of vehicles from the City of Alpine. Motion was seconded by Councilor Escovedo. Motion unanimously carried.
 4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on Resolution 2019-10-07, requesting financial assistance from TxDot aviation division for improvements of the Alpine Casparis Municipal Airport; naming TxDot the authorized agent for administration of such improvements; and authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate contracts and agreements on behalf of the City. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)- Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-10-07, requesting financial assistance from TxDot aviation division for improvements of the Alpine Casparis Municipal Airport; naming TxDot the authorized agent for administration of such improvements; and authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate contract and agreements on behalf of the City. 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’s duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Profession Conduct conflicts with this chapter. – None

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 Code, Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.074 (personnel matters).

12. Action – Executive Session – None

I certify that this notice was posted at 2:00 P.M. on October 11, 2019, 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:

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary

I, Cynthia Salas, City Secretary, do certify that this notice was posted at 2:00 P.M. on October 11, 2019, and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary