

City of Alpine

Regular City Council Meeting

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Alpine, Texas will hold **a Regular Meeting at 5:30 P. M. on Tuesday, November 17, 2020 in the Civic Center at 803 W. Holland and via Zoom Conference, in the City of Alpine, Texas.** Meeting login details may be found at **www.cityofalpine.com** for the purpose of considering the attached agenda.

This notice is posted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. (Section 551.043, Texas Government Code).

Members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to address the Council on any agenda item after determination of quorum and proof of notice of the meeting. Zoom meeting comment and question rules and procedures are listed on the City Website. Remarks will be limited to a total of 3 minutes per person. Please email your name to Geo Calderon (g.calderon@ci.alpine.tx.us). If you have a petition or other information pertaining to your subject, please email it to the City Secretary beforehand. All names wanting to make public comment for the meeting will be queued up and given to the Mayor at that section of the meeting. The Mayor will call on those individuals one at a time and our meeting moderator will take you off mute to make your comments. This will function the same as our existing sign-up sheet in Council Chambers. ***** Please note, you MUST include your full name (first and last) along with what Ward you reside in or have business interest in. If you do not live or own property in the City please state that in your email.** State law generally prohibits the Council from discussing or taking any action on any issue not included on the agenda, but, if appropriate, the Council may schedule the topic for future discussion or refer the matter to staff. **NO PERSONAL ATTACKS ON COUNCIL MEMBERS OR CITY STAFF WILL BE ALLOWED.** The Mayor and/or City Council Members may call a Point of Order to stop Personal Attacks. If an individual continues to personally attack an elected official or staff member in a meeting, they may be barred.

Agenda

1. Call to Order, and Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Determination of a Quorum and Proof of Notice of City Council Meeting.
3. Public Comments – (limited to 3 minutes per person)
4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on approving Ordinance 2020-11-03 for the canvass of the votes for the November 3, 2020 City of Alpine General Election for Mayor, one Council Member in Ward 2, and one Council Member Ward 4. All three terms are through the May Election 2022. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
5. Swearing in of Mayor, Council member Ward 2, and Council member Ward 4 by the Honorable Roy Ferguson, State District Judge for the 394th Judicial District. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
6. Presentation, Recognitions and Proclamations – (A. Ramos, ,Mayor) –
 - Presentation to Ramon Olivas for his 4 years (2 terms) in office as Councilmember for Ward 2.
 - Presentation to Lucy Escovedo for her 4 years (2 terms) in office as Councilmember for Ward 4.
7. Reports -

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

City Attorney's Report –

- UPRR update
- Municipal court update
- Alpine Police Dept. review / update

City Manager Report

- Coronavirus Update
- Fall Events Update

- Ordinance Update Roadmap
- Schedule of Fees Update

City Staff Update

- Police (Chief Martin), Animal Control (Jennifer Stewart)

8. Public Hearings – None

9. 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 November 3, 2020. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

10. Information or Discussion items –

1. Charter Discussion: Role of the Mayor as defined by City of Alpine Charter and Interference with Administration as outlined by Section 3.10 of City Charter.(E. Zimmer. (City Manager)

11. 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 the Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem. 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 to determine whether or not to continue to engage Rod Ponton as the City Attorney for the City of Alpine. (M. Curry, City Council)
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on recommendations on Resolution 2020-11-14 in regard to an Electric Provider Services for the City of Alpine. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
3. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on City Attorney Rod Ponton's bill. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on Resolution 2020-11-13, on Alpine Country Club request. (R. Stephens, City Council)

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

13. 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. –

1. Discuss update with attorney regarding Parkhill, Smith, and Cooper negotiations. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
2. Discuss update from UPPR. (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 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 551.086 (economic development.)

14. Action – Executive Session –

1. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if any, regarding Parkhill, Smith, and Cooper. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if any, regarding UPPR. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

I certify that this notice was posted at 5:00 P. M. on November 13, 2020, Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act (Texas Government Code Section 51.043). 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 email city.secretary@ci.alpine.tx.us for further information.



Cynthia Salas, City Secretary
City of Alpine