

**City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 15, 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
Randy Guzman, Gas Utility Director

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 March 11, 2022.

3. **Public Comments** – (limited to 3 minutes per person) –
 - Lourdes Valenzuela expressed opposition regarding the proposed machine-limit amendment to the coin-operated machine ordinance, Ordinance 2022-03-01.
4. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – None.
5. **Reports** – Copies of presentations displayed during the meeting are posted on the City website at www.cityofalpine.com/reports –

City Mayor Report

City Attorney Report

City Manager Report

- City Updates
- Finance Report

City Staff Updates

5. **Public Hearings** –

1. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-02-01, an ordinance amending Chapter 10 - Animals; Amending Article I - In General; Amending Article II - Keeping Animals; Providing for updated regulations regarding the restraint and impoundment of animals.
2. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding an application for Special Use Permit for applicant West Texas Italian Delicacies, LLC. The applicant is requesting a special use permit for the purpose of obtaining an alcohol license/permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission to sell beer and wine in a newly established deli. The property in question is located at 801 E. Holland Ave. Record property owner(s) Mesa Holland, LLC.

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 March 1, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of excused absences of Councilor Tandy, Councilor Rodriguez, and Councilor Johnson from March 4, 2022 Workshop Meeting (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
3. Approval of a Letter of Support for the Keep Alpine Beautiful Annual Report for Gold Standing (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-07: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve the consent agenda, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Gas bills in Carpenter Addition (J. Stokes, City Council)

Councilor Stokes and the Mayor invited the public to comment on this item and the following persons addressed the City Council:

Bret Bell, Guy Fielder, Clay Braden.

Randy Guzman, Gas Utility Director, also addressed the 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 10 per meeting.) –

Mayor Ramos requested to move item no. 7 to item no. 1.

RESOLUTION 2022-03-08: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Stokes to move item no. seven 7 to item no. 1, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

1. Approve Emergency Medical Services provider for the City of Alpine (J. Stokes, City Council)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-09: On a motion by Councilor Stokes and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve Emergent Air as the Emergency Medical Services provider for the City of Alpine on the recommendation of the task force, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

2. Approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-02-01, an ordinance amending Chapter 10 - Animals; Amending Article I - In General; Amending Article II - Keeping Animals; Providing for updated regulations regarding the restraint and impoundment of animals (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-10: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded Councilor Stokes to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-02-01, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

3. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-03-01, an ordinance amending Chapter 90 - Taxation, Article IV - Coin-Operated Establishments to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Providing for a maximum number of machines per establishment; Providing clarification regarding the initial Special Use Permit fee (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-11: A motion was made by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-03-01. Discussion ensued.

RESOLUTION 2022-03-12: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Stokes to amend the original to postpone the item, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion. The City Council then voted unanimously to oppose the original motion, and the original motion was lost.

4. Approve an application for Special Use Permit for applicant West Texas Italian Delicacies, LLC. The applicant is requesting a special use permit for the purpose of obtaining an alcohol license/permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission to sell beer and wine in a newly established deli. The property in question is located at 801 E. Holland Ave. Record property owner(s) Mesa Holland, LLC. The Planning & Zoning Commission has recommended approval of the permit (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-13: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve an application for Special Use Permit for applicant West Texas Italian Delicacies, LLC, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

5. Approve Order 2022-03-01, an order approving the Joint Election Agreement with Alpine Independent School District for May 7, 2022 General Election (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-14: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve Order 2022-03-01, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

6. Approve Resolution 2022-03-05, a resolution re-establishing the added fee for sanitation services (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-15: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Stokes to approve Resolution 2022-03-05, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

7. Approve Resolution 2022-03-06, a resolution authorizing the City to participate in the Texas Department of Transportation “Click it or Ticket” Program providing overtime funds in Fiscal Year 2022 (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-16: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Stokes to approve Resolution 2022-03-06, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion.

8. Approve the submitted proposal from J. Carrizal General Construction for paving projects (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-17: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve the submitted proposal from J. Carrizal General Construction for paving projects, the City Council voted unanimously to oppose the motion. The motion was lost.

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).

RESOLUTION 2022-03-18: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Sandate to recess into executive session, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion. (7:20 P.M.)

11. Executive Session –

1. Deliberate the status of the City Manager position (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-19: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to move into regular session, the City Council voted unanimously to adopt the motion. (7:43 P.M.)

12. Action – Executive Session –

1. Action, if any, regarding the status of the City Manager position (M. Antrim, Interim City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-03-20: On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Sandate to hire Megan Antrim as the full-time City Manager effective March 15, 2022, the City Council voted to adopt the motion 3 to 1, with Councilor Rodriguez voting against.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

13. Adjourn. (7:44 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 March 11, 2022, 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