

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 19, 2022
Minutes

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Catherine Eaves called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The workshop was held at City Council Chambers located at 803 West Holland Avenue and via Zoom conference 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 Martin Sandate
Councilor Jerry Johnson
Councilor Sara Tandy

City Staff Present:

Megan Antrim, City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police
Keith Segar, Director of Utilities
Andrew Devaney, Director of Building Services
Chris Ruggia, Director of Tourism
Jessica Boorse, Permit Technician
Adelina Beall, Environmental Services Coordinator
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor

Not Present:

None.

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 July 15, 2022.

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

- Rick Stephens, Ward 5, expressed concern over the proposed 2022-203 Fiscal Year Budget.
- Karen Cantrell, Ward 1, expressed concerns regarding the noise ordinance and supported proposed enhancements.

1. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** – None.

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

City Mayor Report

- Budget Workshops
- Speeding on Gallego and One Ways
- Follow up on the Wild Hog Situation
- Downtown Trees and Clocks
- Community Clean-Ups
- Sign up to receive text messages for emergency warnings
- Emergency Sirens
- Noise ordinance
- Sul Ross University Topping off Ceremony for Museum Complex addition
- Update on Partnership with Sul Ross State University - Dr. Robert Munoz
- Update on Partnership with Alpine Independent School District - Dr. Michelle Rinehart

- Meet with the Mayor - summaries of topics residents are concerned with: Daycare, Ladder Truck, Restrooms in parks, Budget, Road Construction, Hiring, Repairs to city buildings, City Vehicles

City Attorney Report

- None.

City Manager Report

- Finance Revenue & Expense Report

City Staff Updates

- Tourism Quarterly Report by Director of Tourism, Chris Ruggia
- Building Services Report by Permit Technician, Jessica Boorse
- Environmental Services Report by Environmental Services Coordinator, Adelina Beall

6. Public Hearings –

1. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the first reading of Ordinance 2022-07-01, an ordinance annexing Lots Two through Twelve, Block One, Allen Addition to Brewster County that is adjacent and contiguous territory to the City.
 - Rick Stephens, Ward 5, expressed concerns regarding the annexation of Lot 1.

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.) –

City Secretary, Geoffrey R. Calderon, announced that item no. 2 was withdrawn by the applicant due to a potential conflict of interest and will not be considered with the consent agenda:

Approval of the appointment of Phillip Carey to the At-Large position on the Planning & Zoning Commission (C. Eaves, Mayor)

Secretary Calderon announced the updated consent agenda items as follows:

1. Approval of July 5, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023 City Holidays (M. Antrim, City Manager)
3. Approval of 3rd Quarter Investment Report (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-19: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Tandy to approve the consent agenda, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Alpine Public Library Quarterly Report by Executive Director, Don Wetterauer (M. Antrim, City Manager)
2. Emergent Air - EMS Provider Report by Walter Kuykendall (M. Antrim, City Manager)
3. Discuss requests from Senator C. Blanco and State Representative E. Morales for needs and challenges the City of Alpine is facing for possible legislation (M. Antrim, City Manager)
4. Discuss the first draft of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Proposed Budget (M. Antrim, City Manager)

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 2022-07-01, an ordinance annexing Lots Two through Twelve, Block One, Allen Addition to Brewster County that is adjacent and contiguous territory to the City; Approving a service plan for the annexed area (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-20: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Stokes to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

2. Approve Resolution, 2022-07-16, a resolution authorizing the closure of the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas checking account (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-21: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

3. Approve Resolution 2022-07-17, a resolution approving the Total Administrative Services Corporation Health Reimbursement Arrangement Employee Benefit for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-22: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Tandy to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

4. Approve Resolution 2022-07-18, a resolution authorizing the City to participate in the Texas Water Development Board Asset Management for Small Systems Program (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-23: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

5. Approve the renewal of the Tourism Director contract for FY 2022-2023 to include a 5% increase (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2022-07-24: On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted 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.

13. **Adjourn.** (7:40 P.M.)

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Catherine Eaves, 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 by 2:00 P.M. on July 15, 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