

**City of Alpine**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 16, 2022**  
**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Catherine Eaves 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 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

**Not Present:**

Councilor Sara Tandy

**City Staff Present:**

Megan Antrim, City Manager  
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary  
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police  
Randy Guzman, Director of Gas Utility  
Keith Segar, Director of Utilities  
Andrew Devaney, Director of Building Services  
Alicia Salinas, Director of Finance  
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor

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 August 12, 2022.

3. **Public Comments** – (limited to 3 minutes per person) –
  - Jim Street, Ward 1, addressed the Council regarding City boards and commissions.
  - Keith Segar, Ward 1, expressed concern regarding staffing.
  - Linda Bone, Ward 1, expressed concern regarding alcohol in City parks.
  - Mary Anne DeBarbrie, Ward 1, expressed concern regarding permit fees.
  - Rick Stephens, Ward 5, expressed concern regarding the 2022-2023 Budget, staffing, and the Transportation Committee.
4. **Presentations, Recognitions, and Proclamations** – None.
5. **Reports** – Copies of presentations displayed during the meeting are posted on the City website at [www.cityofalpine.com/reports](http://www.cityofalpine.com/reports) –

**City Mayor Report**

- Meet with the Mayor Citizen Concerns:
  - ❖ Speeding:
    - Avenue I and J
    - The one ways SH 118 coming into town from the South
  - ❖ Permit Fees:
    - Replacing Fences
    - Hooking up a Generator
- Collaboration with AISD on a voting sticker design contest
- Invitation for the City and Council for the Catholic Church Bazaar Parade. Public Come on Out.
- Accolades for the City Pool Life Guards

- Noise Ordinance - Motorcycles
- Staffing Issues
- Roads always a concern
- Budget
- Possibility of Citizens donating money and services
- Meet with the Mayor at the Granada and Library Silent Auction Wed 5:30
- Accolades for Community Clean Ups
- Citizens are hoping Clean Ups will continue

#### **City Attorney Report**

- None.

#### **City Manager Report**

- Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting
- City Ordinances
- Revenue and Expense Report

**Public Comments:** Karen Cantrell, Ward 1, addressed the Council regarding line of sight.

#### **City Staff Updates**

- Police Department Report by Chief of Police, Darrell Losoya
- Gas Department Report by Gas Director, Randy Guzman

### **6. Public Hearings –**

1. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-08-01, an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City of Alpine, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023; Appropriating money to a sinking fund to pay interest and principal on the City's indebtedness; Adopting the annual budget of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

**Public Comments:** Rick Stephens, Ward 5.

2. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-08-02, an ordinance amending Chapter 2 - Administration; Amending Article V – Records Management to the Alpine Code of Ordinances.

**Public Comments:** None.

3. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the first reading of Ordinance 2022-08-03, an ordinance levying ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023; Providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when the same shall become delinquent if not paid.

**Public Comments:** Rick Stephens, Ward 5.

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 August 2, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
2. Approval of the appointment of Katie “TK” Santos to the Friends of the Park position on the Parks and Recreation Board (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
3. Approval Gibson, Ruddock, Patterson, LLC Letter of Engagement for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 annual audit (M. Antrim, City Manager)
4. Approval of Short Term Rental Special Use Permit Applications for:
  - a) 310 S. 6th Street. Property owners of record are Concha Ramos and Eulogia R. Valenzuela.
  - b) 510 S. 8th Street. Property owner of record is Concha Ramos.
  - c) 512 S. 8th Street. Property owner of record is Celia Teresa Garcia.(G. Calderon, City Secretary)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-08:** On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

8. **Information or Discussion items** –

1. Utility Billing Cost (C. Rodriguez, City Council)

**Public Comments:** Rick Stephens, Ward 5.

**Public Comments:** Karen Cantrell, Ward 1.

2. Status of Water Production System (C. Rodriguez, City Council)

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 second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-08-01, an ordinance making appropriations for the support of the City of Alpine, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023; Appropriating money to a sinking fund to pay interest and principal on the City's indebtedness; Adopting the annual budget of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-09:** On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve, the City Council voted to adopt the motion 3 to 1 with Councilor Rodriguez voting against. The Council Members voted in the following manner:

Councilor Judy Stokes: For

Councilor Chris Rodriguez: Against

Councilor Tandy: Absent

Councilor Sandate: For

Councilor Johnson: For

2. Approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2022-08-02, an ordinance amending Chapter 2 – Administration; Amending Article V – Records Management to the Alpine Code of Ordinances (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-10:** On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

3. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-08-03, an ordinance levying ad valorem taxes for use and support of the municipal government of the City of Alpine, Texas for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023; Providing for apportioning each levy for specific purposes; and providing when taxes shall become due and when the same shall become delinquent if not paid (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-11:** On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Sandate to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

4. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-08-04, an ordinance amending Chapter 94 – Traffic and Vehicles; Amending Article I – In General; Amending Section 94-35 – Police Escort Fee to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Repealing Ordinance 2019-03-01; Abolishing the requirements of a fee for requested police escort services for manufactured homes (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-12:** On a motion by Councilor Rodriguez and seconded by Councilor Johnson to approve, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

5. Approve the 2022-2023 Alpine Public Library Contract (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-13:** 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.

*The Mayor called a short recess (7:26 P.M.)*

**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 2022-08-14:** On a motion by Councilor Stokes and seconded by Councilor Sandate to recess into executive session, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion. **(7:35 P.M.)**

**11. Executive Session** –

**Consultation with Attorney § 551.071**

1. Consultation with the City Attorney on the status of the outstanding West Texas Gas invoice from the Winter Freeze of 2021 (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-15:** On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Stokes to reconvene open session, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion. (7:53 P.M.)

**12. Action – Executive Session –**

1. Action, if any, regarding the consultation with the City Attorney on the status of the outstanding West Texas Gas invoice from the Winter Freeze of 2021 (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**RESOLUTION 2022-08-16:** On a motion by Councilor Johnson and seconded by Councilor Stokes to take no action, the City Council unanimously voted to adopt the motion.

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.*

**13. Adjourn. (7:53 P.M.)**

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Catherine Eaves, Mayor

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Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Geoffrey R. Calderon, hereby certify that this notice was posted at City Hall, in a convenient and readily accessible place to the general public, and to the City website at [www.cityofalpine.com/agenda](http://www.cityofalpine.com/agenda) pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted by 2:00 P.M. on August 12, 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](mailto:city.secretary@ci.alpine.tx.us) for further information.e

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Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary