

City of Alpine

Regular City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 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, September 15, 2020 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. Presentation, Recognitions and Proclamations – (A. Ramos, ,Mayor)
 1. Resolution Congratulating First Christian Church of Alpine on their 130th Anniversary

5. Reports -

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

City Attorney's Report – None

City Manager Report

- Coronavirus Update
- Initiatives / Priorities and Challenges
- New Event: Midweek Mercantile and Music

City Staff Update –

- Update - Utility Billing (Stephanie Ladesic)
- Building Services / Code Enforcement - including AISD HS Build Project (David Hale)
- Update - Alpine Fire Department (Chief Martin)

6. Public Hearings – 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 minutes from City Council meeting on September 1, 2020. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
2. Approval of Bibiana (Bibi) Gutierrez for the Parks Board At Large for Ward 5. (R. Stephens, City Council)

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Share information and discuss actions and strategies focused on updating the City lighting Ordinance that takes account improvements in technology and considerations of dark sky initiatives. (R. Stephens, City Council)
2. Information and discussion on issues the City of Alpine is encountering with Brewster County. The discussion will also include the magistration process -

related to the County accepting arrested individuals by Alpine Police Department (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

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 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 and Consider approving and adopting the 2020/2021 tax year proposed tax rate for the City of Alpine, Texas by Ordinance 2020-08-01. A tax rate of \$0.553753 per \$100 valuation has been recommended for FY 2020/2021. Maintenance and Operations is \$0.512833 and Interest and Sinking is \$0.04092. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on Resolution 2020-09-15 to accept the recommended solicitation of Brokers on the submitted Broker List as required by our Investment Policy. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
3. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on Resolution 2020-09-16 to approve Strategies and Guidelines to invest according to our Investment Policy. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on the recommendations on the Woodward Lease at the Airport. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
5. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action approving Resolution 2020-09-02, to adopt the official newspaper for FY 2020-2021. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)
6. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on recommendations from the HOT committee on the HOT allocation. (E. Zimmer, City Manager)

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 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. Discussion of Alpine Police Department Internal Investigation related to the recent case in Media (R. Stephens, City Council)
2. Discussion of the Municipal Prosecutor / City Attorney. (R. Stephens, City Council)

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.)

12. Action – Executive Session – None

1. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if any, on the Alpine Police Department Internal Investigation related to the recent case in Media (R. Stephens, City Council)
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if any, on the Municipal Prosecutor / City Attorney. (R. Stephens, City Council)

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



Erik Zimmer, City Manager
City of Alpine