

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 03, 2019, 5:30 P.M.

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 03, 2019 in the **Council Chambers, at 803 West Holland, in the City of Alpine, Texas** 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).

PUBLIC NOTICE – THE USE OF CELLULAR PHONES ARE PROHIBITED IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS DURING MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

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. Remarks will be limited to a total of 3 minutes per person. Please write your name on the list so we may call you in order. Please speak into the microphone located at the podium and state your name and address. If you have a petition or other information pertaining to your subject, please present it to the City Secretary. **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, Invocation, 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. **Presentations, Recognitions and Proclamations – (A. Ramos, Mayor)**
 - A. **Proclamation for Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month**
 - B. **Certificate of Recognition – Lorena Crespo-Gonzalez – Municipal Courts.**
5. **Reports -**
 - City Mayor’s Report – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – None**
 - City Attorney’s Report –**
 - **TCEQ**

City Manager Report –

- Update on employee handbook changes
- Update on Wastewater equipment
- Alpine Public Library
- Evaluations

City Staff Updates –

- Municipal Court
- Human Resources
- Training

6. Public Hearings –

- A. Public Hearing to obtain citizen's views and comment on Ordinance 2019-08-02, making appropriations for the support of the City of Alpine, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2020; 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 2019/2020

7. Consent Agenda – (Minutes, Financial reports, Department written reports, board appointments, etc.) –

- A. Approval of minutes from City Council meeting on August 20, 2019.

(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.)

8. Information or Discussion items –

1. Discuss setting a date for a Board & Commission workshop for the purpose of discussing potential changes to the language established in the City Ordinance. (R. Stephens, City Council)
2. Discuss setting a date for a streets plan workshop for the purpose of setting priorities for repairs based on the street study and funding in the budget. (R. Stephens, City Council)
3. Receive an update from the City Attorney on the Lechuguilla project, concerning application for the Plat for the Lechuguilla project. Property identification is 5.475 acre tract of land out of

Section 102 in Block 9, G.H. & S.A. RY Co Survey being out of a 10.16 acre tract of land described in Book 210 at Page 472 and being all of a 1.0-acre tract of land described in Book 324 at Page 164 both recorded among the Official Public Records of Brewster County, Texas, Property Owner is Skyway Gardens, Ltd (R Stephens, City Council)

4. Discussion in reference to Peter A. Smyke's email regarding our new appointed City Attorney. (R. Olivas, 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 (up to 10 per meeting.) after being called upon by 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. Interview Erik Zimmer as a candidate for City Manager and based on that interview consider and take appropriate action to hire a City Manager. (R. Stephens, City Council)
2. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to approve the FY 2019-2020 Budget for the City of Alpine. (R. Stephens, City Council)
3. Discuss and Consider approving and adopting the 2019/2020 tax year proposed tax rate for the City of Alpine, Texas by Ordinance 2019-09-01. A tax rate of \$.545100 per \$100 valuation has been recommended for FY 2019/2020. Maintenance and Operations is \$.504330 and Interest and Sinking is \$.040770. (R. Stephens, City Council)
4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on updating check signatories for all City of Alpine checking accounts. (R. Stephens, City Council)
5. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action regarding extension of the West Texas Ambulance Service contract with the City of Alpine. (R. Stephens, City Council)
6. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to allocate \$5,000 from the FY 18/19 reserve account to support the Planning & Zoning Commission City Zoning Map to be updated and available for the City to use in the ARC GIS System. (R. Stephens, City Council)

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), and 551.074 – to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee. –

1. Interim City Manager to provide an update regarding the employee grievances logged in the last 3-4 weeks. (R. Olivas, 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), 551.074 (personnel matters).

12. Action – Executive Session –

- 1. Any action, if any, for Interim City Manager to provide an update regarding the employee grievances logged in the last 3-4 weeks. (R. Olivas, City Council)**

I certify that this notice was posted at 2:00 P. M. on August 30, 2019, Pursuant to 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