

City of Alpine

Regular City Council Meeting, Tuesday, August 16th, 2016, 5:30 P.M.

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Alpine, Texas will hold a meeting at **5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, August 16th, 2016 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 AND SOUND ACTIVATED PAGERS 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 during Public Hearings and during Action items. 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 from speaking at future meetings.

Agenda

1. **Call to Order, Invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag —**
2. **Determination of a quorum and proof of notice of the meeting –**
3. **Presentations, recognitions and proclamations –**
 - **Recognition for Eve Trook, on work done in Alpine Municipal Court. (R. Stephens)**
4. **Reports -**
 - City Mayor's Report – (A. Ramos, Mayor)**
 - City Manager Report – (E. Zimmer, CM)**
 - **Monthly Financial Report**
 - **Quarterly Investment Summary**
 - **RFP Gas department Vehicles**
 - City Staff Updates – None**
5. **Public Hearings – None**
6. **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.) –

- A. Approve Council Minutes of July 11th and July 19th, 2016. (A. Ramos)

7. Information or Discussion items –

- A. Viva Big Bend Financial Update with Stuart Ramser (E. Zimmer, CM).
- B. Discuss and Consider actions relative to the Brewster County response to the five items the City would like to work on jointly with Brewster County. These items were approved by the City Council on January 19, 2016 City Council and discussed at a subsequent County Commissioners Court meeting. The County Liaison (Commissioner Pallanez) presented the City Council with the responses on July 19th, 2016. (J. Fitzgerald).
- C. Dewatering Process and Costs related to removal of 800,000 gallons of sludge at the City of Alpine Wastewater Treatment Plant. (E. Zimmer, CM)
- D. Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA) and Ethics presentation by Adolfo Ruiz from City Attorney, McKamie Krueger LLP (E. Zimmer, CM)

8. 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.) (Citizens are allowed to comment – limited to 3 minutes – 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.) - None

9. Councilmember Comments And Answers –

- 10. **Executive Session – Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)**
 - A. Update on Scown Litigation, Cause No. 2015-03-B0705-CV: Emily Livingston Scown and Barbara Scown v. The City of Alpine, Texas; in the 394th Judicial District Court of Brewster County, Texas. (E. Zimmer, CM)

11. Action after Executive Session –

- A. Action, if any, concerning Scown Litigation. (E. Zimmer, CM)

12 Adjournment -

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.)

I certify that this notice was posted at 1:45 P.M. on August 12th, 2016, 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 fax (432)837-2044 for further information.

Margaret "Molly" Taylor, City Secretary