

CITY OF ALVARADO
County of Johnson
State of Texas
11/06/2024
City Council Minutes

The City Council of the City of Alvarado met in Special Called Session on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. The following were present for roll call:

Name	Title	Present	Absent	Excused
Jacob Wheat	Mayor	X		
Carrie Keeton	Council Ward 1			X
Beverly Short	Council Ward 1	X		
Lydia Moon	Mayor Pro-Tem Ward 2	X		
Cherry Bryant	Council Ward 2	X		
Scott Arthur	Council Ward 3	X		
Kevin Thomas	Council Ward 3	X		

Others Present:

Paul DeBuff	City Manager
Beth A Walls	City Secretary
Jessica Hill	Deputy City Secretary
Laura Cox	Chief Financial Officer
Lindsey Hale	City Attorney
Donielle Suber	Director of Administrative Services
Justin French	Community Development Director
Hillary Cromer	Economic Development Director
John Rodgers	Fire Chief
Teddy May	Police Chief
Mike Dwigins	Public Works Director

Mayor Jacob Wheat called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and Jacob Wheat gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Jacob Wheat: Shared updates on recent elections, noting that the Alvarado ISD VATRE Bond failed, while the Johnson County Transportation Bond was passed. Gave reminder of the Outdoor Movie Night Series on November 9, 16, and 22, starting at 6:00 p.m. on the square in downtown Alvarado.

Lydia Moon: Announced that New Life Ministry will donate 200 turkeys on November 23, starting at 10:00 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Consideration and action to approve minutes from the 10/21/2024 Regular City Council Meeting.**
3. **Consideration and action to appoint an alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z).**

Motion was made by Lydia Moon and seconded by Beverly Short to approve items #1 and #3 on the Consent Agenda.

This motion supported 5 votes in approval and 0 votes opposed. Motion carried.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

2. **Consideration and action to install stop signs, establishing a three-way stop at the intersection of Cheyenne Trail and Cortese Lane, and a four-way stop at the intersection of Cheyenne Trail and Cherokee Trail.**

A complaint was submitted to the city regarding excessive speeding on Cheyanne and Comanche streets due to increased traffic from a nearby new subdivision. To address the issue, the Police Department recommends installing stop signs, which would also help manage anticipated future growth in the area.

Motion was made by Lydia Moon and seconded by Kevin Thomas to approve a three-way stop at the intersection of Cheyenne Trail and Cortese Lane, and a four-way stop at the intersection of Cheyenne Trail and Cherokee Trail.

This motion supported 5 votes in approval and 0 votes opposed. Motion carried.

4. **Consideration and action to approve Resolution No. R2024-0022, affirming the casting of votes in the 2025-2026 Election of the Board of Directors for the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County, Texas.**

All candidates nominated at the 09/16/2024 Regular City Council Meeting have been included on the ballot. Council Members were informed that the Johnson County Appraisal District has allocated the City of Alvarado 66 votes.

The complete list of candidates and votes received includes:

Candidate	Votes Received
James Cockrell	0
Cesar Diaz	0
Benjamin Bruce Gibson	0
Duaine Goulding	0
Amy Lingo	0
Lauren Pate	0
Brannon Potts	0
John Wood	66

Motion was made by Lydia Moon and seconded by Kevin Thomas to approve Resolution No. R2024-0022, affirming the casting of votes in the 2025-2026 Election of the Board of Directors for the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County, Texas.

This motion supported 5 votes in approval and 0 votes opposed. Motion carried.

5. **Presentation and discussion on the City of Alvarado's Information Technology (IT) Network Infrastructure Upgrade.**

TodoVerde presented to the council regarding the need to upgrade the City's IT Network Infrastructure. The presentation covered improvements to enhance network reliability, security, compliance, as well as cost.

No action taken.

6. **Consideration and action to authorize the City Manager to execute construction contracts with Midwest Wrecking Company (Demolition) and Southside Environmental Services, LLC (Asbestos Abatement), in the amount of \$59,265.00, to provide for the asbestos abatement and demolition of the City of Alvarado Senior Citizens Center located at 201 E. College Avenue.**

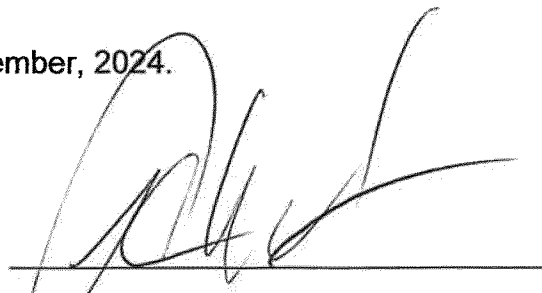
The Alvarado SCC was found to require extensive repairs due to neglect and water damage. An assessment indicated repair costs may exceed the building's value. Staff solicited bids for asbestos abatement, demolition, and site preparation and recommended approval of contracts with Midwest Wrecking Company and Southside Environmental Services, LLC, to move forward with the project.

Motion was made by Lydia Moon and seconded by Beverly Short to authorize the City Manager to execute construction contracts with Midwest Wrecking Company and Southside Environmental Services, LLC, in the amount of \$59,265.00 to provide for the asbestos abatement and demolition of the City of Alvarado Senior Citizens Center located at 201 E. College Avenue.

This motion supported 5 votes in approval and 0 votes opposed. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Mayor Wheat adjourned the meeting at 7:16 P.M.

Passed and approved this the 18th day of November, 2024.



Jacob Wheat, Mayor

Respectfully Submitted,



Beth A. Walls, City Secretary/HRD