

CITY OF ALVARADO

County of Johnson

State of Texas

August 16, 2021

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Alvarado met in Regular Called Session on Monday, August 16, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. The following were present for roll call:

Tracy Melson	*	Councilperson
Jacob Wheat	*	Mayor
Lydia Moon	*	Mayor Pro Tem
Cherry Bryant	*	Councilperson
Michael Bennett	*	Councilperson
Kevin Thomas	*	Councilperson
Beverly Short	*	Councilperson

Others Present:

Richard Morton	*	Interim City Manager
Debbie Thomas	*	City Secretary
Ashley Dierker	*	City Attorney
Michael Dwiggin	*	Public Works Director
Tony Sims	*	Interim Chief of Police
Richard Van Winkle	*	Fire Chief

INVOCATION

Mayor Jacob Wheat called this regular meeting to order at 6:32P.M. and Pastor Marty Douglas gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Michael Bennett duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

There was not a city manager's report at this meeting.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR A FINAL PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS EAGLE GLEN, PHASE 2, APPROXIMATELY 31.551 ACRES SITUATED IN THE ANDREW SPIVA SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 770, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Motion was made by Councilperson Michael Bennett, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon to approve final plat as presented. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero opposed. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CREATION OF A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

Mayor Jacob Wheat opened this public hearing at 6:35 p.m. He then stated that we will keep this hearing open to be taken up at the August 23, 2021 Special Called Council Meeting.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN EXTENSION OF THE COVID POLICY SET TO EXPIRE AUGUST 31, 2021.

After discussion, motion was made by Councilperson Beverly Short, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to extend the Covid Policy until February 28 2022. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS DESIGNATING CERTAIN POSITIONS AS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR ALL CITY ACCOUNTS MAINTAINED AT FIRST FINANCIAL BANK OF ALVARADO, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Richard Morton, Interim City Manager explained to the council that this resolution added Paul DeBuff and Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon and deleted Emile Moline as signatures. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE 2021-2022 AD VALOREM TAX RATE.

A. ROLL CALL VOTE FOR PROPOSED 2021-2022 AD VALOREM TAX RATE.

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After discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to accept the voter approval tax rate of \$0.812696 per \$100. This motion supported the following with a roll call vote:

Kevin Thomas – Yes
Lydia Moon - Yes
Michael Bennett – Yes
Beverly Short – Yes
Cherry Bryant – Yes
Tracy Melson – Yes
Motion carried.

**SETTING THE TIME, DATE AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
REGARDING THE 2021-2022 AD VALOREM TAX RATE.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant to hold a public hearing on September 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, Alvarado City Hall, 104 W. College, Alvarado, Texas. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING A BANK DEPOSITORY
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ALVARADO AND FIRST
FINANCIAL BANK.**

This agreement is an extension of our current bank depository agreement that expired in January of this year. Motion was made by Councilperson Michael Bennett, duly seconded by Councilperson Beverly Short, to approve the agreement as presented. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING REDUCING THE PARKS
BOARD TO SIX REGULAR MEMBERS AND TWO ALTERNATES.**

Devin Benson, Parks Director, explained to the council that it is very hard to get all nine members of the current board and that he would like to reduce it to six members. After discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant to reduce the parks board to six members and two alternate. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF NEW MEMBERS TO THE PARKS BOARD.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to appoint Lisa Deese as a regular member and Andrew King as an alternate member to the Parks Board. This motion supported six votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was held at this meeting.

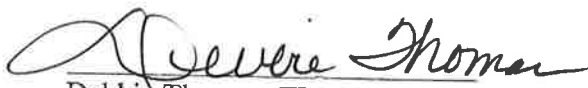
COUNCIL COMMENTS

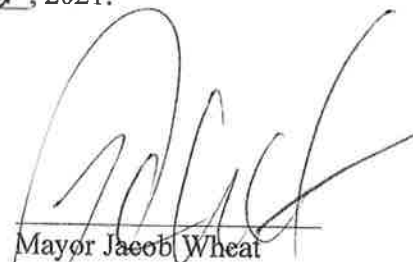
There were no council comments at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jacob Wheat then adjourned this special called meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Passed and approved this the 20th day of September, 2021.


Debbie Thomas, TRMC, City Secretary


Mayor Jacob Wheat