

CITY OF ALVARADO

County of Johnson

State of Texas

October 21, 2019

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Alvarado met in Regular Called Session on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with up to the first thirty minutes of the meeting consisting of a workshop. The following were present for roll call:

Tom Durlington	*	Mayor
Shawn Goulding	*	Mayor Pro Tem
Cherry Bryant	*	Councilperson
Lydia Moon	*	Councilperson
Michael Bennett	*	Councilperson
Jacob Wheat	*	Councilperson

Absent:

Beverly Short	*	Councilperson
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Others Present:

Rick Holden	*	City Manager
Debbie Thomas	*	City Secretary
Michael Dwiggin	*	Public Works Director
Paula Hardison	*	Finance Director
Brad Anderson	*	Police Chief
Emile Moline	*	Economic Development Director

INVOCATION

Mayor Durlington called this regular meeting to order at 6:40 P.M. and Dr. Estes gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC INPUT

No one addressed the council at this meeting.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

1. Inclusive Park Update – The Inclusive Park is open.
2. Jessup Street Rehabilitation – They have started replacing water lines on the northern part of the street.

**PRESENTATION BY THE ALVARADO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGARDING ITS BOND ELECTION**

Dr. Kenneth Estes addressed the council and explained the reasoning for the bond election which is to be held on November 5, 2019.

**PRESENTATION BY POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING GOLF CARTS
AND LAWNMOWERS BEING OPERATED ON CITY STREETS.**

Chief Brad Anderson and Captain Gary Melson addressed the council in reference to operating lawnmowers and golf carts on city streets. They advised the council to take this under advisement and make a decision regarding an ordinance to regulate this.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant to approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CITY OF ALVARADO,
TEXAS, GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2019,
LEVYING AND ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX AND PROVIDING FOR THE
SECURITY FOR AND PAYMENT OF SAID BOND; AND ENACTING OTHER
PROVISIONS RELATING TO THIS SUBJECT.**

John Martin, Bond Counsel, addressed the council stating at this time we have received a bid for a 1.98% interest rate on these bonds, This would save the city approximately \$90,00000 Motion was made by Mayor Pro em Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to approve an ordinance authorizing the sale of the City of Alvarado's General Obligation Refunding bond, Series 2019. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST BY SHEPHERDS
VALLEY CHURCH ARENA FOR HOTEL/MOTEL FUNDS.**

After discussion, it was decided to place this back on the agenda for next month's regular meeting.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS APPROXIMATELY 103.193 ACRES, HIRAM LEWIS SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 516, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, ALSO KNOWN AS THE PARKS OF ALVARADO.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Lydia Moon, to approve the request for a preliminary plat as presented. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR A RE-PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOTS 10, 11, AND 12, BLOCK 3, ORIGINAL TOWN ADDITION, ALSO KNOWN AS 501 N. SPARKS, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS.

Mayor Tom Durlington opened this public hearing at 7:38 p.m. He then closed the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to approve the plat as presented.. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING A REQUEST FOR A RE-PLAT FOR PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOT 1R, BLOCK 81, ORIGINAL TOWN ADDITION, ALSO KNOWN AS EZELL STREET.

Mayor Tom Durlington opened this public hearing at 7:46 p.m. He then closed the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Lydia Moon, to approve the plat as presented.. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR A RE-PLAT FOR LOTS 7 AND 8, BLOCK 1, NEW TOWN ADDITION, ALSO KNOWN AS 307 S FIFTH STREET, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS

Mayor Tom Durlington opened this public hearing at 7:49 p.m. He then closed the public hearing at 7:50 p.m. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to approve the plat as presented.. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN JOHNSON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF ALVARADO FOR THE
HOUSING OF PRISONERS.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant, to approve the interlocal agreement as presented. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING A DEVELOPER'S
AGREEMENT AN AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTING A
NEW AT GRADE CROSSING AT SUNFLOWER LANE – DOT NO. 02153T
BETWEEN BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY AND THE CITY OF ALVARADO.**

After discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Jacob Wheat, to approve a developers' and easement agreement with the stipulation that an escrow account will be held by the city and the total cost of the at grade crossing will be placed in this account. After all funds have been deposited, the City will then execute the agreement with the BNSF Railway Company for construction of the crossing. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON CHERRY BRYANT, DULY
SECONDED BY COUNCILPERSON LYDIA MOON TO REOPEN ITEM
NUMBER 3.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Cherry Bryant to approve Item No 3 as presented. This motion supported four votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

**CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING 2018/2019 BUDGET
AMENDMENTS.**

This item was skipped.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was not an executive session held at this meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

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There were no council comments at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Tom Durlington then adjourned this regular meeting of the Alvarado City Council at 8:05 p.m.

Passed and approved this the 18th day of November, 2019.



Mayor Tom Durlington



Debbie Thomas, TRMC, City Secretary