



CITY OF ALVARADO
County of Johnson
State of Texas
5/12/2026
City Council Special Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Alvarado met in a Special Called Session on Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 6:00 PM. The following were present:

PRESENT: Councilmember Ward II Cherry Bryant
Councilmember Ward I Beverly Short
Mayor Pro Tem Ward III Kevin Thomas
Councilmember Ward I Carrie Keeton
Councilmember Ward III Scott Arthur
Councilmember Ward III Elect Joshua Rendon

ABSENT: Councilmember Ward II Lydia Moon

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager, Paul DeBuff
City Secretary, Bobbie Jo Taylor
City Attorney, Gerald Pruitt
Human Resources Manager, Sarah Licitra
Chief Financial Officer, Laura Cox
Director of Economic Development, Hillary Cromer

Mayor Jacob Wheat called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the invocation.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC INPUT

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the convened City Council of this meeting on any matter. The presiding officer may ask for the citizen to hold his or her comment on an agenda item until that agenda item is reached. Any response from a member of the convened City Council to comments related to items not on the agenda is limited to a statement of specific factual information, a recitation of existing policy, or direction to staff to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. Citizens may obtain a form to speak by requesting it from the City Secretary or the City Marshal prior to the start of the meeting.

- Jameye Jones - Community Events

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Pursuant to LGC Section 551.0415, City Council Members may make a report about items of community interest during a meeting of the governing body without having given notice of the report. Items of community interest include:

- Expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence;
- Information regarding holiday schedules;
- An honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen, except that a discussion regarding a change in the status of the person's public office of public employment is not an honorary or salutary recognition for purposes of this subdivision;
- A reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body;
- Information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; and

- Announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of the Certification to the Mayor and Council of the Official Returns for the May 2, 2026, City of Alvarado General Election.
2. Ordinance 2026-0008; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Alvarado, Texas, Certifying the Election Results for the May 2, 2026, General City Elections. (Taylor)
3. Ordinance 2026-0009; An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Alvarado, Texas, Ordering a Runoff Election for the Office of City Council Ward 2 Place 5, to be held on June 13, 2026. (Taylor)

Mayor Pro Tem Thomas motioned to approve the consent agenda.

Councilmember Short seconded the motion.

No opposition, No abstentions

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Issue Certification of Election, Statement of Elected Official, and Issue the Oath of Office to City Councilmember Ward 3, Place 6, Joshua Rendon.

Councilmember Ward 3, Place 6 Elect, Joshua Rendon, was issued the Certificate of Election by Mayor Jacob Wheat, followed by the administration of the Oath of Office and Statement of Elected Official by City Secretary Bobbie Jo Taylor. Following the ceremony, Councilmember Rendon took his place at the dais.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

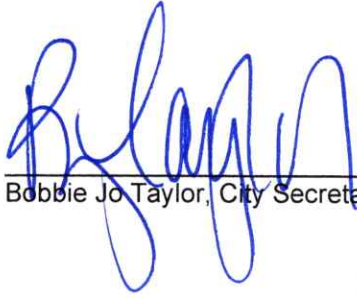
EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene in executive session to deliberate regarding the following matters: 1. § 551.071. Consultation with Attorney. The City Council may convene in executive session to conduct a private consultation with its attorney on any legally posted agenda item, when the City Council seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items:

- A. Any item listed on the agenda.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wheat adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.



Bobbie Jo Taylor, City Secretary



Mayor Jacob Wheat

