

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO CITY COUNCIL
104 W. COLLEGE
APRIL 4, 2022
6:30 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER -Roll Call

The City Council of the City of Alvarado, Texas met in Special Called Session on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The following were present for roll call:

Jacob Wheat	*	Mayor
Cherry Bryant	*	Councilperson
Scott Arthur	*	Councilperson
Kevin Thomas	*	Councilperson
Lydia Moon	*	Mayor Pro Tem

Absent:

Beverly Short	*	Councilperson
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Paul DeBuff	*	City Manager
Debbie Thomas	*	City Secretary
Teddy May	*	Police Chief
Richard VanWinkle	*	Fire Chief
Emile Moline	*	Planning/EDC Department
Michael Dwiggins	*	Public Works Director

INVOCATION

Mayor Jacob Wheat called this meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilperson Kevin Thomas gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION AND PUBLIC INPUT:

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the City Council 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. The City Council has no obligation to respond in any matter to comments or questions from the public. Any response from a member of the 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 future City Council meeting.

Jameye Jones informed the Council of three events happening this weekend

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beginning with Autism Awareness from 10 -2 at Friendship Park, Parkway Park. Compassionate Care Coalition at the Old Settlers Reunion and Shepherd Valley Church Easter Experience from 12 -2 at the church.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration and action regarding proposal for Lakeview Drive Parking. (DeBuff)
Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to approve the proposal as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

2. Consideration and action regarding Parks of Alvarado Phase 2 and 3 final plat. (Moline)

Emile Moline, Planning Director, explained to the council that this plat had been approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion was made by Councilperson Kevin Thomas, duly seconded by Councilperson Scott Arthur, to approve the plat as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

3. Consideration and action regarding fireworks deposit payment to Pyro Shows of Texas, Inc. (DeBuff)

Paul DeBuff, City Manager, addressed the council in reference to the fireworks display for the Fourth of July. He stated that the total cost is \$15,000.00. This is a down payment for these fireworks. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to approve the expenditure as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

4. Consideration and action regarding cancellation of municipal elections for Mayor and City Council. (Thomas)

Debbie Thomas, City Secretary explained to the council that the Special and Regular elections will be canceled due to all unopposed candidates. The Mayor's election will also be canceled due to the withdrawal of the opposing candidate. Motion was made by Councilperson Michael Bennett, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, to cancel as elections as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

5. Consideration and action regarding awarding of bid for reconstruction of Sunflower Lane to McClendon Construction. (Dwiggins)

Michael Dwiggins, Public Works Director addressed the council in reference to the bids that were received for the reconstruction of Sunflower Lane. Staff and engineers recommend award of bid to McClendon Construction for Alternate A of concrete pavement instead of asphalt in the amount of \$553,120.00. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to approve the award of bid to McClendon Construction in the amount of \$553,120.00 for concrete pavement. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

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6. Consideration and action regarding the acceptance of a \$50,000.00 fee in lieu of parkland dedication from Bloomfield Development, for the development of Sunset Ridge. (DeBuff)

Paul DeBuff, City Manager, addressed the council in reference to accepting \$50,000.00 payment from Bloomfield Homes in lieu of a park in the Sunset Ridge Addition. After discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, duly seconded by Councilperson Kevin Thomas, to accept the \$50,000.00 in lieu of a park in the Sunset Ridge Addition. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

7. Consideration and action regarding delegating authority to the City Manager, or his designee, to implement the Construction Manager at Risk Method for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project as allowed under the Texas Government Code Chapter 2269, Subchapter F and take any action authorized or required without further action of the City Council, provided all supporting statutory findings have been made by the City Manager or his designee except that execution of the final construction contract will require the subsequent approval of the City Council. (DeBuff)

After discussion, motion was made by Councilperson Kevin Thomas, duly seconded by Councilperson Michael Bennett, to accept this item as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

8. Consideration and action regarding the request for rezoning for property known as a tract of land in the John Dixon Survey, Abstract Number 214, and the Ira Glaze Survey, Abstract Number 313, Alvarado, Johnson County, Texas from an "A" (Agriculture) to a "PD" (Planned Development) zoning district. (Moline)

After discussion, motion was made by Councilperson Michael Bennett, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lydia Moon, to accept the rezoning as presented. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion passed.

9. Consideration and action regarding lease agreement between Joe Hardee and Prairielands Public Facility Corporation.

This item was skipped.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene in closed session to deliberate regarding the following matters: a. 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 provision of Chapter 551, including the following.

There was not an Executive Session at this meeting.

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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 may include, but not necessarily limited to any of the following:

- 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.

There were no council comments at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Jacob Wheat then adjourned this Special Called Meeting of the Alvarado City Council at 7:00 p.m.

Passed and approved this the _____ day of _____, 2022.

Jacob Wheat, Mayor

Attest:

Debbie Thomas, City Secretary