

City of Alpine
Regular City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 19, 2019
5:30 P.M.
Minutes

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of allegiance to the flags – Mayor Ramos called the meeting to order. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at 803 West Holland in the City of Alpine, Texas. Allen Christopherson gave the invocation. Mayor Ramos led the pledge of allegiance to the flags.
2. Determination of a quorum and proof of notice of the meeting – Councilor Curry, Councilor Olivas, Councilor Fitzgerald, Councilor Escovedo and Councilor Stephens and Mayor Ramos were present. City Secretary, Cynthia Salas reported that the agenda was posted at 8:30 A.M. on February 15, 2019. City Manager Jessica Garza, Megan Antrim, and Abel Hinojos were also present.
3. Presentations, recognitions and proclamations – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – **None**

4. Reports –

City Mayor's Report – (A. Ramos, Mayor) – **None**

City Manager Report – **None**

City Staff Updates – **None**

5. Public Hearings – None

6. Consent Agenda – (Minutes, Financial reports, Department written reports, board appointments, etc.) – **None**

(Notice to the Public – The following items are of a routine and administrative nature. The Council has been furnished with background and support material on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Council Member, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.) – **None**

7. Information or Discussion items –

COUNCIL WORKSHOP

A. Discussion of City Fees and Charges, and Master Fee Ordinance.

8. Action Items to be accompanied by a brief statement of facts, including where funds are coming from, if applicable. (Action items limited to (up to) 10 per meeting.) (Citizens are allowed to comment—limited to 3 minutes – after being called upon by Mayor or Mayor Pro Tem) Citizens are required to state their name and the Ward in which they reside. Priority will be given to citizens of Alpine and those who own businesses or property in the City. Individuals who do not live in, or own businesses or property in the City limits of Alpine, will be allowed to speak if there is time available.) - **None**

9. Councilmember Comments and Answers – No discussion or action may take place.

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Approved: 03-05-2019

Councilor Stephens – No comment

Councilor Escovedo – No comment

Councilor Fitzgerald – No comment

Councilor Olivas – No comment

Councilor Curry – No comment

Mayor Ramos – No comment

10. Executive Session – Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071- Consultation with Attorney on a matter in which the attorney's duty to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Profession conduct conflicts with this chapter. –

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-02-13 to go into executive session. Motion was seconded by Councilor Fitzgerald. Motion unanimously passed. (5:50 p.m.)

1. Discuss duties of the City Manager
2. Deliberation regarding Personnel Review and discuss the annual performance assessment and evaluation of the City Manager. (R. Stephens, City Council)

NOTICE: The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on the posted agenda, above, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberations about real property), 551.073 (deliberations about gifts and donations), 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.076 (deliberations about security devices), and 551.086 (economic development) of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

11. Action after Executive Session –

Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-02-14. Motion was seconded by Councilor Olivas. Council entered back into open session at 8:05 p.m.

1. Action, if any, consider and determine appropriate actions relative to the employment contract of City Manager Jessica Garza, including possible reassignment, adjustment of duties, discipline or dismissal. (R. Stephens, City Council) – Motion was made by Councilor Stephens, by Resolution 2019-02-15. Councilor Stephens proposed the following actions. 1) table the performance evaluation for the City Manager. 2) Take action to hire an independent city manager consultant that reports to the, City Council in personnel matters. 3) During the period that the independent city manager consultant is supporting the City Council that they will invoke section 3.11 of the City Charter to investigate all actions associated with termination of employees. Motion was seconded by Councilor Curry. Motion unanimously carried.

12. ADJOURNMENT -

I certify that this notice was posted at 8:30 A.M. on February 15, 2019, pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act. (Texas Vernon's Annotated Civil statutes, section 551.043 Texas Government Code.) This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking space is available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the city secretary's office at (432) 837-3301 or fax (432) 837-2044 for further information.

Andres "Andy" Ramos, Mayor

Attest:

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary

I, Cynthia Salas, City Secretary, do certify that this notice was posted at 8:30 A.M. on February 15, 2019, and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Cynthia Salas, City Secretary