

**CITY OF ALEDO, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MEETING LOCATION: ALEDO COMMUNITY CENTER
104 ROBINSON COURT
ALEDO, TEXAS 76008
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The Aledo City Council met in regular session on October 26, 2017, at the Aledo Community Center, 104 Robinson Court, Aledo, TX 76008. Mayor Kit Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the following members present; Mayor Pro Tem Kimberly Hiebert, Councilmember Jean Bailey, Councilmember Daniel Herbert, and Councilmember Bob Wood. Councilmember Spencer Perry was not present having given prior notice of his absence. Staff members present at the meeting were: City Administrator Ken Pfeifer and City Secretary Deana McMullen, Director of Public Works David Fain, Accounting Coordinator Kari Kszyminski and City Attorney Betsy Elam.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jim Myers of Cornerstone Church gave the Invocation. Councilmember Bob Wood led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN APPEARANCES

CITY COUNCIL CANNOT DISCUSS ANY PRESENTED ISSUE NOR MAY ANY ACTION BE TAKEN ON ANY ISSUE AT THIS TIME. COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO (3) MINUTES AND THIS TIME IS NOT TRANSFERABLE. PLEASE SIGN IN BEFORE THE START OF TONIGHT'S MEETING.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All of the following items on the consent agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. Approval of the consent agenda authorizes the City Administrator to implement each item in accordance with the staff recommendation.

The consent agenda was presented as follows:

- 1. September 28, 2017 Regular City Council Minutes.**
- 2. September 2017 Monthly financial report.**
- 3. Approval of closing of streets for Christmas Tyme in Aledo Event on December 2, 2017.**

4. Approval of Evan McGuire to Planning & Zoning Commission and ZBOA.

5. Approval of nomination of Parker County Appraisal District Director for two year term.

Motion was made by Councilmember Bob Wood, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kimberly Hiebert to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

6. Presentation by Dr. Citty of AISD regarding the upcoming Bond Election for AISD.

Dr. Citty Administrator for AISD gave a presentation regarding the upcoming Bond Election for the AISD. He gave detailed information regarding the needs that would be met with the passage of the bonds; a second Middle School; Repurpose of McAnally as an Elementary School; Agriculture and CTE upgrades and continued search for land to purchase for future building needs. He asked everyone to please vote on this issue on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

No action was taken on this item.

7. Discussion and action concerning the FY 2017 Water and Wastewater Rate Review.

Chris Eckert with NewGen Strategies and Solutions gave a presentation to the City Council regarding the FY 2017 Water and Wastewater Rate Review. Mr. Eckert recommended to the Council to keep the rates consistent with FY 2017 levels and to have no rate increase for this year and to continue to monitor the use of reserves to ensure use of these funds does not mask needed rate increases.

As part of this discussion there were citizens whom wanted to speak regarding their water bills and the rates. Mayor Marshall allowed the discussion with a 3 minute time limit.

Ms. Ashley Shupe – 123 Blue Stem addressed the Council concerning what she believed were inconsistencies with the water bills. She claimed there was not a lot of feedback or help from the City regarding her high bill which was over \$500 for the month of September 2017. Ms. Shupe did say that they had experienced irrigation leaks but had not asked for a one-time a year adjustment by the city for the leak.

Mayor Marshall stated that Customer Service in the City of Aledo is paramount and the city was not trying to get to anyone by making their bills higher. Irrigation leaks can cause higher bills than realized.

Following the discussion, motion was made by Councilmember Jean Bailey, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kimberly Hiebert to approve the recommendation from Chris Eckurt to keep the water rates the same.

Motion carried 4-0

8. Discussion and action concerning award of a contract for the parking lot in Aledo Commons.

City Engineer Steve James was present to discuss the award of a contract for the parking lot in Aledo Commons. There were a total of 14 bids received for this project. Proposals ranged anywhere from \$168,189.57 from Reytech Services to \$324,294.00 from Ed Bell Construction. The City has \$250,400 budget for this project. Recommendation is to go with Reytech Services for the price of \$168,189.57.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jean Bailey, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kimberly Hiebert to approve the recommendation for the award of the contract for the parking lot in Aledo Commons to Reytech Services in the amount of \$168,189.57.

Motion carried 4-0

REPORTS:

9. Monthly reports:

- a. City Administrator's Monthly Report**
- b. City Secretary's Monthly Report - Christmas Tyme in Aledo**
- c. Director of Public Works' Monthly Report**
- d. Accounting Coordinator's Monthly Report**
- e. East Parker County Library report**
- f. Parker County Sheriff's Office monthly report**

City Administrator Ken Pfeifer reported that the November Agenda would possibly have items related to approval of Plats for Point Vista and the Villas. The Medical Office Building should be showing some movement soon. The Sidewalk project is moving along as planned.

City Secretary Deana McMullen reported that the Aledo Fest event held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 was very well attended and the City received positive feedback regarding the event. The next event will be the Christmas Tyme in Aledo event on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from 5-9 pm and the Annual Arts and Crafts Fair from 11am to 7pm.

Director of Public Works David Fain reported updates on the Sidewalk Project as well as the Parking Lot project in Aledo Commons.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS

(In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Council members may comment on routine city matters, may ask questions of staff that require only responses of factual information or statements of existing city policy, or may request that non-routine matters of public concern be placed on a future agenda. Council members may not discuss non-agenda items among themselves. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, city staff members may comment on routine city operations and projects. Staff members may respond to questions from others only with statements of factual information or existing city policy.)

There were no Council or staff comments at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council for the City of Aledo, Texas, will convene into Executive Session pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 to discuss the following:

The city council may convene in executive session to receive advice from its attorney on any posted item and to seek advice regarding

10.) 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY – SEEK ADVICE REGARDING 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 THIS CHAPTER, NAMELY:

a) Discussion on Cause No. CV10-0429, City of Willow Park v. Todd C. Brennan, et al. v. Parker County Appraisal District, Parker County Appraisal Review Board, City of Aledo, Larry Hammonds in his official capacity as Parker County Appraisal District Director

b) Discussion on Cause No. CV16-0668, Chamese Yarborough v. City of Aledo

11.) 551.072 - Deliberation Regarding Real Property; To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

Additionally the Council may convene in executive session to receive advice from the City Attorney on any posted item.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION


12. Any action necessary from Executive Session

There was no Executive Session at this meeting.


ADJOURN

There being nothing further to discuss or consider Mayor Kit Marshall adjourned the regular meeting of the Aledo City Council at 8:43 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 10th DAY OF November 2017.



Kit Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:


Deana McMullen, City Secretary