

**CITY OF ALEDO, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MEETING LOCATION: ALEDO COMMUNITY CENTER
104 ROBINSON COURT
ALEDO, TEXAS 76008
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The Aledo City Council met in regular session on Thursday, June 25, 2015, 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: Councilmember Jean Bailey, Councilmember Kerby Smith, Councilmember Paula Johns and Mayor Pro Tem Kimberly Hiebert. Councilmember Bob Wood was late to the meeting having given prior notice.

Staff members present at the meeting were: City Administrator Ken Pfeifer, City Secretary Deana McMullen, Director of Public Works David Fain, Accounting Coordinator Kari Kszyminski and City Attorney Betsy Elam.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Knox Ross of the Aledo Christian Center gave the Invocation. Councilmember Kerby Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN MEMORIAM

Don Daniel – Former AISD Superintendent

Mayor Kit Marshall read aloud a Memoriam to remember former AISD Superintendent Don R. Daniel who was tragically killed in a car accident on June 10, 2015.

PROCLAMATION

Recognition of AISD Awards/Championships

Mayor Kit Marshall stated that due to the magnitude of students, over 1,000 who competed in State Competitions and won, we will post pone this Proclamation of Recognition until August of 2015.

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.

There were no citizen appearances for this 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. May 28, 2015 Regular City Council Minutes.**
- 2. May 2015 Monthly Financial report.**
- 3. Approval of appointment of Councilmember Paula Johns to the Aledo Economic Development Corporation.**

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

Motion carried 4-0

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

4. Budget Presentation from the East Parker County Library.

Sue Ellen Shaw – Librarian for the East Parker County Library gave a presentation for the proposed budget for the upcoming fund year 2015-2016. Ms. Shaw stated that the Library has had a great year and that activity is way up. This is due to the growth in the Aledo and East Parker County Area. Ms. Shaw asked the Council to consider an allocation of \$15,000 for the upcoming year.

Additional funding for the Library will come from Parker County \$19,800, Annetta \$1,000 and Annetta North \$1,200. Willow Park provides in kind donations as well. Fund Raisers and donations make up the rest of the budget for the Library.

The Community Programs and Events have expanded due to the growth in the area. The East Parker County Library is poised for bigger and better things. The library is now Accredited which is a huge accomplishment. Ms. Shaw answered questions from the Council, and then thanked Council for their continued support. Mayor Kit Marshall thanked Ms. Shaw for coming to the Council meeting and presenting the Library budget.

****Councilmember Bob Wood came in to the meeting during the Presentation of the Library Budget******

There was no formal action taken on this item.

5. Presentation and discussion concerning the proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget.

City Administrator Ken Pfeifer presented the proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget to Council. The proposed General Fund budget is \$2,298,931, and the proposed Water & Sewer Fund budget is \$2,170,700. The proposed Debt Service budget is \$1,022,270 decreasing from \$1,091,535, in FY 2014-2015. The proposed Economic Development Corporation budget is \$251,435, a decrease from \$414,390 in FY 2014-2015. The proposed budget that was presented is a balanced budget and was based on a proposed tax rate of \$0.385 per \$100 valuation with property valuations increasing from \$199,497,979 to \$230,017,070 due to new construction. The proposed tax rate is the same tax rate of \$0.385 per \$100 valuation as last year.

Staff answered questions, and no action was taken on this item. There will be Public Hearings and discussion at future meetings.

REPORTS:

6. Monthly reports:

- a. City Administrator's Monthly Report**
- b. City Secretary's Monthly Report – Recycling Program Poll**
- c. Director of Public Works' Monthly Report – Park updates**
- 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 Design for Aledo Trail has won an award in the Transportation Category and that Judge Mark Riley was in attendance to receive that award. The City also won this award for the Waste Water Treatment Plant two years ago. Mr. Pfeifer also reported that the Historical Marker at FM1187 & Elm Street had been installed and that a Celebration/Dedication will follow soon.

City Secretary Deana McMullen reported that the Survey for the Recycling Program was loaded onto the city's website on the Home Page with a Tab marked – Recycling Poll. Citizens are urged to vote if they are or are not in favor of a recycling program for the City of Aledo. Voting will close on August 4, 2015.

Director of Public Works David Fain reported that there had been 23 new building permits for the month of June. This is double what has been the norm so far. Also, the contractor for the Street Rehabilitation program will be in town in July and will also pour the hardscape for Elm Street Park. Irrigation and Plantings are set for the end of September.

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.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Kit Marshall called the regular session back to order at 9:43 p.m. then adjourned into Executive Session. The Executive Session was attended by Mayor Kit Marshall, Mayor Pro Tem Kim Hiebert, Councilmember Kerby Smith, Councilmember Jean Bailey, Councilmember Bob Wood, Councilmember Paula Johns, City Administrator Ken Pfeifer, City Secretary Deana McMullen and City Attorney Betsy Elam.

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

7.) 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 the appeal in the Application of Republic Waste Services of Texas, Ltd. for Municipal Solid Waste Permit No. 2356**
- 8.) 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.

Mayor Kit Marshall adjourned the Executive Session at 9:53 p.m. and called the regular session back to order at 9:53 p.m.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

9. Any action necessary from Executive Session

There was no action to take from Executive Session

ADJOURN

There being nothing further to discuss or consider Mayor Kit Marshall adjourned the regular meeting of the Aledo City Council at 9:53 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 23rd DAY OF JULY 2015.

Kit Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deana McMullen, City Secretary