

**CITY OF ALEDO, TEXAS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MEETING LOCATION: ALEDO COMMUNITY CENTER
104 ROBINSON COURT
ALEDO, TEXAS 76008
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

The Aledo City Council met in regular session on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at the Aledo Community Center, 104 Robinson Court, Aledo TX 76008. Mayor Kit Marshall called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. with the following members present: Councilmember Jean Bailey, Mayor Pro Tem Bill McLeRoy, Councilmember Kimberly Hiebert, Councilmember Kerby Smith and Councilmember Matt Casey.

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Knox Ross with the Aledo Christian Center gave the Invocation. Mayor Pro Tem Bill McLeRoy 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.

Mr. Matt Freeman of 218 Parkview Drive addressed the City Council regarding concerns about speeding around the Park Area in the Parks of Aledo subdivision. Mr. Freeman stated that he had a petition from the neighbors who are requesting the city lower the speed limit in this area.

Mayor Kit Marshall stated that this item could not be acted upon but would be added to the December Agenda for further discussion and action.

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 25, Regular City Council Minutes.**
- 2. September 2014 Monthly Financial report.**
- 3. October 2014 Monthly Financial report**
- 4. Approval of closing Oak Street from Elm to Mesquite; a portion of Pecan Street from Community News to Mesquite and closing Elm Street from FM 1187 to Oak Street for Christmas Tyme in Aledo scheduled for Saturday, December 6, 2014.**
- 5. Approval of contract and addendum with Kelly Miller Circus for performances on Saturday March 14, 2015**

Motion was made by Councilmember Jean Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Kim Hiebert to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5-0

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

6. Discussion and action concerning FY 2015 Water and Wastewater Rate Review.

Mr. Chris Eckert made his annual presentation to the City Council concerning Water and Wastewater rates. Mr. Eckert stated that after consistently monitoring the water revenues coming in it would be his recommendation to not change the rate structure for the second year in a row. The City Council has set aside \$150,000 of reserves to mitigate any rate increases and they have not had to use any of these funds. The City of Aledo rates are 5th in the Area as of October 1, 2014. It is recommended to hold the rates the same for now and continue close monitoring.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bill McLeRoy, seconded by Councilmember Kimberly Hiebert to approve the rate review and the recommendation to not raise or change the water and wastewater rates for Fund year 2015.

Motion carried 5-0

7. Discussion and action concerning the contract with Republic on trash service and curbside recycling.

This item was pulled from this Agenda. This item will be considered at the December meeting.

No action was taken on this item.

8. Discussion and action to approve a contract with Freese & Nichols for engineering services for the FY 2015 Street Rehabilitation Program.

Motion was made by Councilmember Jean Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Kerby Smith to approve the contract with Freese & Nichols for engineering services for the FY 2015 Street Rehabilitation Program.

Motion carried 5-0

9. Discussion and action concerning approval of Parker County Emergency Management Plan.

Motion was made by Councilmember Matt Casey, seconded by Councilmember Jean Bailey to approve the Parker County Emergency Management Plan.

Motion carried 5-0

REPORTS:

10. Monthly reports:

- a. **City Administrator's Monthly Report – FM 1187/Traffic Flow/Aledo Trail update**
- b. **City Secretary's Monthly Report – Christmas Tyme in Aledo, Annual Christmas Dinner and Celebration of Completion of FM 1187 and Aledo Trail**
- c. **Director of Public Works' Monthly Report- Park updates**
- d. **Accounting Coordinator's Monthly Report**
- e. **Municipal Court Monthly Report**
- f. **East Parker County Library report**
- g. **Fire Marshal monthly report**
- h. **Parker County Sheriff's Office monthly report**

City Administrator Ken Pfeifer reported to the Council regarding FM 1187/Aledo Trail stating that TXDOT and the Engineers have a punch list over 4 pages long of things that need to be repaired and/or completed. Completion date is targeted for December 9, 2014 in time for the Celebration of the completion of the road projects. The monument sign is also scheduled to begin today and be complete by the December 9th Celebration.

City Secretary Deana McMullen reminded everyone of the upcoming Christmas Tyme in Aledo event on Saturday December 6, 2014 from 5-9pm as well as the Celebration Event on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 10 am at the Aledo Community Center.

Director of Public Works David Fain gave the City Council an update on the Park projects including a new pavilion for the Community Center Park as well as improvements for the Elm Street Park.

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.)

Mayor Kit Marshall shared a letter from a citizen regarding a water line break and the professionalism that the utility staff handled it with. Mayor Marshall stated that these are the kinds of letters she likes to see as it shows the quality of employees working for the City of Aledo and under the direction of Director of Public Works David Fain and the way they represent our City. Their behavior reflects and exemplifies their professionalism in their jobs. I appreciate all of them.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session necessary for this meeting.

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

11.) 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**

12.) 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

13. Any action necessary from Executive Session

There was no Executive Session for this meeting.

ADJOURN

There being nothing further to discuss or consider Mayor Kit Marshall adjourned this regular meeting of the Aledo City Council at 8:31 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 18th DAY OF December 2014.

Kit Marshall, Mayor

ATTEST:
Deana McMullen, City Secretary