

**CITY OF ALEDO, TEXAS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MEETING LOCATION:
CITY OF ALEDO COMMUNITY CENTER
104 ROBINSON COURT
ALEDO, TEXAS 76008
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Nick Stanley called the Special meeting of the City Council to order at 5:31 pm on Thursday, August 18, 2022. Those in attendance at this meeting were Mayor Nick Stanley, Councilmember Nelson Rowls, Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis, Councilmember Nelson Rowls, Councilmember Shawna Ford, Councilmember Dan Herbert and Councilmember Christian Pearson.

Staff present were City Manager Noah Simon, City Secretary Deana McMullen, City Attorney Alicia Kreh and Director of Public Works Gretchen Vazquez and Director of Parks and Events.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nick Stanley gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZENS COMMENT:

Mr. Randy Keck – 428 Pecan Street, owner of the Community News- asked the Council and Mayor to project when they speak so that the audience can hear when they are speaking.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Presentation, discussion and action on the Bailey Ranch Road reconstruction project.

Mr. David Smith of Halff & Associates was present to give information on this project. Special guests also present were; Fred Disney, Lynn McKinney from AISD, Diane Taylor from Reading Friends and representative from Tri County Electric Pamela Green.

Mr. David Smith gave a presentation of the information related to this project. He said the main failure of this road was due to pavement failures and the loaded trucks going back and forth to the construction zones in this area. This project is in 2 phases. Phase 1 is from FM1187 to Champions and this is full reconstruction in this area and what will be discussed tonight. Phase 2 is from Champions to the farthest west driveway of the Aledo ISD and this was panel replacements. This part of the project was fast tracked and was completed in July of 2022.

The first step in the reconstruction of phase 1 will be to completely remove all asphalt. It will then be filled with a stabilizing material before being asphalted. There will be sidewalk replacement that will be against the pavement off of the curb. There is a grant project for sidewalks on the right side of the road that will be scheduled at a later date. This project will not affect that project. New drains will be included in this project. Following the drain analysis extra barrels will be added. The storm drains will be extended to the east.

There was a lot of discussion regarding the Lane configurations during and after the completion of this project. There were options 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. These options discussed items such as 2 way left turn lanes, to a median in the middle of the roadway, to 2 lanes plus buffered bike lanes and no turn lanes, to a discussion regarding a possible widening of the road and putting in 4 lanes. This would add more cost to the project and take additional time for the project to be complete. During the beginning of Phase 1 there will be a Detour up to Bankhead and down to Champions for a short time while the storm drains are installed.

There was discussion regarding the cost of the project now and the difference in cost of some of the options were chosen such as widening the road to 4 lanes. The Engineer stated that the cost would go up approximately \$800,000 and would take an additional 2 months for completion. There can also be delays due to weather, construction material availability, etc.

Mayor Nick Stanley stated that we have discussed a lot tonight and we know we want to make the right decision. There is a lot to consider and he thanked all of the special guests for attending this meeting. He stated there will be additional discussions with the stakeholders as well as another meeting before the final decisions are made regarding which option to choose.

No action was taken at this meeting on this item.

Mayor Stanley called a 5 minute break at 6:58 p.m.

Mayor Stanley called the Special Session back to order at 7:11 p.m.

2. Discussion and action to consider appointing Garhett Gordon to the Aledo Economic Development Commission for an unexpired term.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis, seconded by Councilmember Nelson Rowls to appoint Mr. Garhett Gordon to the vacancy on the Aledo Economic Development commission.

Motion carried 5-0

3. City Council Orientation presentation and discussion.

City Manager and staff presented the Mayor and City Councilmembers with an Orientation Manual for City Councilmembers. This book contains a lot of information and several of the City Council members attended the Special Orientation workshop for newly elected officials that was put on by TML. This manual includes handouts that were

presented at the TML conference. There is a copy of the Home Rule Charter that was passed last year and he encouraged all Councilmembers to read the Charter as this is the Constitution of the City. Please let staff know if there are any questions regarding this manual. This is something that we plan to visit on with you each year following the spring elections.

There was no action taken on this item.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Nick Stanley adjourned the Special session at 7:17 p.m. Those in attendance were Mayor Nick Stanley, Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis, Councilmember Christian Pearson, Councilmember Dan Herbert, Councilmember Shawna Ford, Councilmember Nelson Rowls, City Manager Noah Simon, City Secretary Deana McMullen and City Attorney Alicia Kreh to discuss the following:

1. **Executive Session:** Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene in executive 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 provisions of Chapter 551, including the following items:

- **Potential Annexation north of Dean Ranch to I-20**
- **Seigmund vs. City of Aledo**

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

2. Discussion and/or action on any item discussed in Executive Session

Mayor Nick Stanley called the special session back to order at 8:08 p.m.


Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis, seconded by Councilmember Nelson Rowls to authorize the City Attorney to settle the Seigmund case as discussed in Executive Session.

Motion carried 5-0

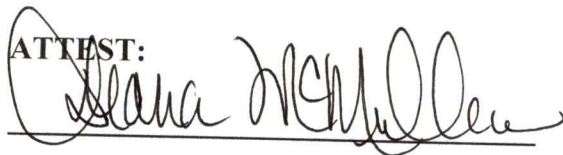
ADJOURN

With there being nothing further to discuss or consider, Mayor Nick Stanley adjourned this special meeting of the Aledo City Council at 8:09 p.m

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 22nd DAY OF September 2022



Nick Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:


Deana McMullen, City Secretary

