

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MEETING LOCATION: MODULAR BUILDING
200 OLD ANNETTA ROAD
ALEDO, TEXAS 76008
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023
8:30 A.M.

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nick Stanley called the special meeting of the City Council to order at 8:31 am on Tuesday, May 16, 2023. Those in attendance at this meeting were Councilmember Shawna Ford, Councilmember Nelson Rowls, Councilmember Christian Pearson and Councilmember Summer Jones.

Staff present were City Manager Noah Simon, Utility Billing Manager Erica Haney, Financial Consultant Amber Karkauskas, and City Attorney Alicia Kreh.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

No invocation nor pledge of allegiance.

- 3. CITIZEN APPEARANCES:** This is an opportunity for citizens to address the City Council on any matter, whether or not it is posted on the agenda. Individual citizen comments are normally limited to three (3) minutes; however, time limits can be adjusted by the presiding officer. Time is not transferable. The presiding officer may ask the citizen to hold their comment on an agenda item if the item is posted as a Public Hearing. The City Council cannot by law take any action nor have any discussion or deliberations on any presentation made at this time concerning an item not listed on the agenda. The City Council will receive the information, and ask the City Manager to review the matter, or an item may be noticed on a future agenda for deliberation or action. Please sign in before the start of the meeting and provide the paper to the City Secretary.

None present.

4. Canvass of May 6, 2023, City General Election.

- a. Approval of Resolution 2023-124, to approve the result of the May 6, 2023, General Election.

Motion was made by Councilmember Nelson Rowls, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis to approve Resolution 2023-124, to approve the result of the May 6, 2023, General Election.

Motion carried 5-0.

b. Oath of Office.

- Mayor Nick Stanly administered the Statement of Elected Official and the Oath of Office to Councilmember Place 1 Elect, Shane Davis.
- Mayor Nick Stanly administered the Statement of Elected Official and the Oath of Office to Councilmember Place 3 Elect, Shawna Ford.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

- 6. CONSENT AGENDA:** All items listed below are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless a Council Member requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence. Approval of the Consent Agenda authorizes the City Manager to implement each item in accordance with the staff recommendation.
- 7. REPORTS:** Reports are prepared for informational purposes and will be accepted as presented (there will be no presentations associated with the report items). There will be no separate discussion unless a City Council Member requests that the report be removed and considered separately.

- a. There are no reports scheduled.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Discuss and consider approving an Agreement between the City of Aledo and HydroPro Solutions for AMI for a cost of \$935,854.00.

Steven Montgomery with HydroPro Solutions was in attendance to answer any questions from Council. Mayor Nick Stanley asked about communication to residents. HydroPro Solutions will work with City staff to provide ample information to customers. City Manager Noah Simon shared that Cooksey Communications will assist in the messaging campaign and videos.

Motion was made Councilmember Christian Pearson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis to approve an Agreement between the City of Aledo and HydroPro Solutions for AMI for a cost of \$935,854.00.

Motion carried 5-0.

- b. Discuss and consider approving Resolution 2023-125, supporting the creation of the Cross Timbers Regional Utility Authority.

Gary Norman, District Director for Representative Glenn Rogers office asked the City of Aledo for support on the Cross Timbers Regional Utility Authority and provided an overview of the purpose and intent of the Authority.

Councilmember Nelson Rowls motioned, Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis seconded to approve Resolution 2023-125, supporting the creation of the Cross Timbers Regional Utility Authority.

Motion carried 5-0.

9. BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES

- a. Appointment/Reappointment to Boards/Commissions/Committees – Consider approval regarding appointments to Boards/Commissions/Committees.
- b. Discussion on including business owners to serve on Boards/Commissions/Committees.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Nick Stanley adjourned the regular meeting of the Aledo City Council at 9:03 am into Executive Session. Those in attendance at the Executive Session were Mayor Nick Stanley, Mayor Pro Tem Shane Davis, Councilmember Shawna Ford, Councilmember Christian Pearson, Councilmember Summer Davis and Councilmember Nelson Rowls. Staff present were City Attorney Alicia Kreh and City Manager Noah Simon. The Executive Session was called to order at 9:03 a.m. to discuss the following:

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** – to conduct a private consultation with the City 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:
 - TIRZ.
 - Potential Annexation North of Dean Ranch to I-20.
 - Dean Ranch Development Conversation.
 - Possible Economic Incentives for new businesses.
 - *Aledo v. Seigmund* – settlement and easement.
 - Settlement demand from Sarah Latimer.

b. **§ 551.087. Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.**

The City Council may convene in executive session to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described above, including the following items:

- Potential Annexation North of Dean Ranch to I-20.
- Dean Ranch Development Conversation.
- Possible Economic Incentives for new businesses.

11. ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Nick Stanley adjourned the Executive Session at 9:35 am and called the regular meeting back to order at 9:35 am.

12. TAKE ANY ACTION, IF NEEDED, FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action to take on items discussed in Executive Session.

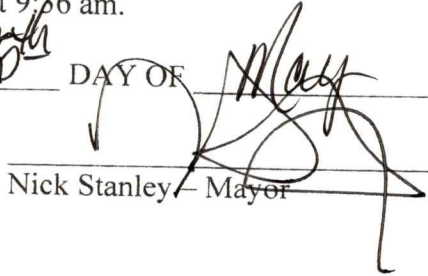
13. COUNCIL RECAP/STAFF COMMENTS DIRECTION: (In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Council members may comment on routine city matters, may ask questions of staff that require only responses of factual information or statements of existing City policy, or may request that non-routine matters 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, 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 additional comments or updates from Council or Staff.

14. ADJOURN

There being nothing further to discuss or consider Mayor Nick Stanley adjourned the special meeting of the Aledo City Council at 9:36 am.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 25th DAY OF May 2023.



Nick Stanley – Mayor


ATTEST:


Deana McMillon – City Secretary