

CITY OF ALVARADO

County of Johnson

State of Texas

August 19, 2013

MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Alvarado met in Regular Session on Monday, August 19, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall with up to the first thirty minutes of the meeting consisting of a workshop. The following were present for roll call:

Dewayne Richters	*	Mayor
Joe Sain	*	Mayor Pro Tem
David Bayless	*	Councilperson
Shawn Goulding	*	Councilperson
Arrdeen Vaughan	*	Councilperson
Jacob Wheat	*	Councilperson

Absent:

Tom Moore	*	Councilperson
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Others Present:

Clint Davis	*	City Manager
Debbie Thomas	*	City Secretary
Richard VanWinkle	*	Fire Chief
Brad Anderson	*	Chief of Police
Kelle Whitfill	*	Finance Director
Michael Dwiggins	*	Public Works Director

INVOCATION

Mayor Dewayne Richters called this regular meeting to order at 7:10 P.M. and the Invocation was given.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this meeting.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joe Sain, to approve the Consent Agenda. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION REGARDING CARELIFE CARING HEART PROPOSAL FOR ALVARADO CITIZENS.

After discussion, motion was made by Councilperson David Bayless, duly seconded by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, to accept the Careflite Caring Heart proposal upon the city attorney's approval of the contract. This motion supported five votes of approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS BY AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO BY INCREASING GARBAGE COLLECTION CHARGES.

Motion was made by Councilperson Jacob Wheat, duly seconded by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, to approve an ordinance amending the fee schedule by increasing garbage collection charges. This motion supported five votes of approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS, REZONING BLOCK 29, LOT 1, ORIGINAL TOWN ADDITION, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, FROM CBD (CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) ZONING DISTRICT TO A TF (TWO FAMILY) ZONING DISTRICT.

Mayor Dewayne Richters opened this public hearing at 7:18 p.m. Clint Davis, City Manager, explained to the council that the new owner of this building would like to remodel and make it into a duplex. This was unanimously passed by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mayor Richters then closed this public hearing at 7:18. Motion was made by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joe Sain, to approve an ordinance rezoning Block 29, Lot 1, Original Town Addition from CBD (Central Business District) zoning district to a TF (Two Family) zoning district. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2013/2014 AD VALOREM TAX RATE.

- A. ANNOUNCE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT PUBLIC HEARING**
- B. ANNOUNCE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF ADOPTION OF TAX RATE.**

Mayor Dewayne Richters opened this public hearing at 7:19 p.m. Clint Davis, City Manager advised the council that the 2013/2014 ad valorem tax rate would be \$.700494 per \$100 of valuation. He stated that this rate was \$.006878 per \$100 of valuation lower than last years rate. Mayor Richters then closed this public hearing at 7:20 p.m. Debbie Thomas, City Secretary announced that the next public hearing regarding the tax rate would be September 9, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 104 W. College, Alvarado, Texas and that the council would adopt the ad valorem tax rate on September 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the council chambers of City Hall, 104 W. College, Alvarado, Texas. These meetings are open to the public.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING AN ALLEY WITHIN BLOCK 60, LOTS 1 THROUGH 12, NEW TOWN ADDITION, ALVARADO, JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE TO ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS.

Debbie Thomas, City Secretary, explained to the council that a written request from property owners had been received asking to close the alley and convey ownership to them. Micheal Dwiggin, Public Works Director, stated that there were no utilities within this alley. Motion was made by Councilperson Davie Bayless, duly seconded by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, to approve an ordinance closing and abandoning an alley within Block 60, Lots 1 through 12, New Town Addition, and convey ownership to adjacent property owners and property owners will pay the filing fee for transfer at Johnson County. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING JOHNSON COUNTY RISK MITIGATION PLAN.

Richard Van Winkle, Fire Chief, addressed the council regarding the Johnson County Risk Mitigation Plan that was currently being addressed for Johnson County. Each city that participates within this program will be eligible for grants in case of a disaster. This public hearing is to satisfy the requirements for this plan.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALVARDO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL WATER UTILITY ACCOUNT.

Clint Davis, City Manager, explained to the council that at this time when a water account holder dies we currently do not have any record of who is living in the home. This ordinance would require the remaining relative to come and fill out a new application for service. Motion was made by Councilperson David Bayless, duly seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Joe Sain, to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 40 of the Code of Ordinances providing for regulations governing the minimum qualification for residential water utility accounts. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE ALVARADO CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS; PROVIDING A DEFINITION FOR “NUISANCE ANIMALS”; PROVIDING PROCEDURES FOR THE ABATEMENT OF NUISANCE ANIMALS.

Clint Davis, City Manager, addressed the council that this would allow our animal control officer to seize a nuisance animal after she had been at the property for more than three times and that this would alleviate the problem until a court setting could be heard. Motion was made by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson Arrdeen Vaughan, to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Alvarado Code of Ordinances providing a definition for “Nuisance Animals” and providing procedures for the abatement of nuisance animals. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 14 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF ALVARADO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 14 PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS GOVERNING GREASE TRANSPORTERS.

Clint Davis, City Manager, explained to the council that at this time we were not making our grease transporters register with the city. This ordinance would require that they be registered within our city. Motion was made by Councilperson Shawn Goulding, duly seconded by Councilperson David Bayless to approve an ordinance amending Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances providing for regulations governing grease transporters. This motion supported five votes in approval and zero votes opposed. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was not held at this meeting.

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Clint Davis, City Manager, addressed the council and told there would be a community pep rally on Monday, August 26, 2013. He also explained that the HEB Community Fitness challenge would be starting on Saturday, September 7, at Parkway Park.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no council comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Dewayne Richters then adjourned this regular meeting of the Alvarado City Council at 7:33 p.m.

Passed and approved this the _____ day of _____, 2013.

Mayor Dewayne "Coach" Richters

ATTEST:

Debbie Thomas, TRMC
City Secretary