

**City of Alton City Commission  
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm  
April 11, 2017 Minutes**

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**Members Present**

Mayor Salvador Vela  
Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr  
Commissioner Ricardo Garza  
Commissioner Richard Arevalo  
Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr

**City Staff Present**

Jorge Arcaute  
Ric Gonzalez  
Jeff Underwood  
Baudelia Rojas  
Steve Pena  
Samm Mercado

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE A QUORUM IS PRESENT:**

With a quorum of the Alton City Commission present, Mayor Salvador Vela called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG**

Mayor Salvador Vela led the group in prayer. Commissioner Ricardo Garza led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Approve the minutes of the City Commission meetings of March 14 and March 28, 2017.**

Motion to approve the minutes was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Adoption of Proclamation 2017-01 proclaiming April as Animal Cruelty Prevention Month.**

Presentations were made by Cavazos Elementary, Alton Memorial Jr High and Mission Collegiate High School students. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

**2. To engage the services of TCS Industries as project manager for various city facility improvements.**

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated TCS Industries assisted with the Fire Station and will be remodeling the warehouse in the next months. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

**3. Adoption of Resolution 2017-09 addressing tire disposal issues within the Lower Rio Grande Valley.**

Rudy Garza, Public Works Director stated that the LRGVDC approved funding of a regional tire disposal project across the region. Project is aimed at addressing illegal tire dumping, improper tire disposal and is a regional effort involving funding contributions from multiple jurisdictions. Resolution is aimed to increase awareness in our region. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

**4. Consider and approve a contract with Halff Associates, Inc for the development of a Drainage Master Plan.**

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated that the city was approved a low interest loan of \$500,000 by the Texas Water Development board for the development of a Drainage Master Plan for the City. Through the procurement process Halff Associates was chosen by City Commission to develop the plan. The engineering service for the Drainage Mater Plan is \$298,898.00. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

**5. Consider and approve an Interlocal Agreement with the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley for representative appointment to the Regional Stormwater Task Force.**

Motion to table the item was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

**6. Consider and approve submittal of letter supporting the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program in FY 2018.**

Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 & 551.072**

**VII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:**

**VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated trash bash was held this past weekend. About 30 volunteers showed to help out. There will be a tire collection from 04/24-04/28. Official letter on the ISO rating was received.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

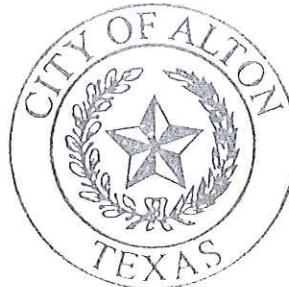
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

**CITY OF ALTON**

  
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**Salvador Vela, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**Baudelia Rojas CPM, TRMC|CMC**  
**City Secretary**



Approved by City Commission 04/25/17