

**City of Alton City Commission
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
November 8, 2016 Minutes**



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
Baudelia Rojas
Jeff Underwood
Ricardo Gonzalez
Rosie Tello
Rudy Garza
Samm Mercado
Janie Gaytan
Steve Pena

- 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 OF 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 meeting of October 25, 2016.
Motion to approve the minutes as presented was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.
- V. NEW BUSINESS:**
- 1. Consider and approve appointment of an Emergency Management Coordinator.**
Jorge Arcaute, City Manager recommended appointment of Steve Peña as Emergency Management Coordinator. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Adoption of Proclamation 2016-07 proclaiming November 11, 2016 as Veterans Day.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated Proclamation was proclaiming November 11th as Veterans Day. 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.

3. Consider and approve Ordinance 2016-17, an ordinance authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of City of Alton, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2016A; payable from the levy of a direct and continuing annual ad valorem tax within the limits prescribed by law and further secured by a lien on and pledge of the pledged revenues derived by the City from the operation of the City's sewer system; prescribing the terms and form thereof; providing for the payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon; authorizing the execution of a purchase contract to be used in connection with the sale of the certificates; and making other provisions regarding such certificates and matters incident thereto., waiving second and third reading.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated the terms are basically 2.92% interest on a 20 year with a 10 year call. Unofficially uses of proceeds are for parks and street improvements. The other is renovating the warehouse across the street into a fire academy and a regional training center. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Approve cancellation of City Commission meetings of November 22nd and December 27th, 2016.

Jorge Arcaute, City manager stated that due to holidays in the next months, it is recommended to cancel the meeting for November 22nd and December 27th. 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 Resolution 2016-23 requesting financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board; authorizing the filing of an application for assistance; and making certain findings in connection therewith.

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated the resolution is for filing of an application for about \$1.5 million in studying if city should have its own sewer treatment. The working team is listed in the resolution. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

6. **Consider and approve Resolution 2016-24 authorizing the reimbursement of expenditures in connection with the design, planning and acquisition of land for facilities.**

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated it is the same as previous item. It is only a resolution authorizing reimbursement for any expenditure incurred in connection with the project. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

7. **Consider and approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Alton and Mission Consolidated Independent School District.**

Steve Peña, CEO for the CADC, stated the agreement is something that has been worked on for a few years. It is a two year agreement in partnership with MCISD to acquire data for future grants for a digital library for the City. Mission Collegiate High School library will be open after school hours for the public to about 8 pm. It does not necessarily end in two years. There is always the possibility of having two libraries. 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.

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

- Real Estate

Motion to enter into executive session at 7:49 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

VII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- Real Estate

Motion to enter into open session at 8:04 pm was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney stated that city staff is authorized to proceed as discussed in executive session. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Rudy Garza, Public Works Director briefed the Commission on Texas Recycles Day and a Keep Texas Beautiful grant they received for \$1,350.00. Texas Recycles Day will be held November 15th at Sylvia Vela Park with several recycling activities.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

CITY OF ALTON



Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



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

