

**City of Alton City Commission
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
July 25, 2017 Minutes**



Members Present

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

Members Absent

Mayor Salvador Vela

City Staff Present

Jorge Arcaute
Baudelia Rojas
Jeff Underwood
Rosie Tello
Samm Mercado
Steve Pena
Janie Gaytan
Rudy Garza
Javier Garcia

Others Present

Gustavo Martinez

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

With a quorum of the Alton City Commission present, Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U.S. FLAG:

Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr 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 July 11, 2017.

Motion to approve was moved Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider and approve a wholesale wastewater collection and treatment agreement with Izaguirre Real Estate Holdings LLC for Eduardo's Subdivision #17.

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated the owner is developing a residential subdivision on a 20 acre tract on the north side of 6 mile Road, east of Los Ebanos Road. The area is within the City of Mission ETJ. The Sewer CCN in the area is unclaimed. The closest available belongs to the City of Alton located on Trospen Road and Mile 6. The agreement allows Alton to be reimbursed for capacity it has purchased from MPU for sewer treatment as the new subdivision will connect to Alton's system and utilize a portion of that capacity. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve and authorize City Manager to sign agreement was moved by Commissioner Richard Arevalo and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 4-0.

2. Adoption of Resolution 2017-15, approving and authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Alton Development Corporation, WIFIRUS, LLC and the City of Alton reference Smart City Wi-Fi project.

Steve Peña, CEO for the CADC stated the pilot program started in February 2017. If approved, there will be 4 phases to the implementation for free WiFi to all citizens of Alton. There will be 90 % coverage in 2 years. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Discuss and consider authorizing the solicitation of Request for Qualifications for Geo-Technical Engineering Services.

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated the City had advertised for professional services in August 2014 for geo-technical and construction and material testing for both public and private projects. The City entered into contract with 2 firms that commenced on October 1, 2014 for 3 years; therefore the contract will expire this October. The advertisement ranking process will need to begin this August to ensure firms are under contract by October. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Richard Arevalo and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Discussion and action on tax resale bids received on the properties as described.

Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Discussion and adoption on Resolution 2017-16 for tax resale bid properties.

Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Delinquent Tax Collection presentation for the period of October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Gustavo Martinez, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP presented the report for the City Commission.

7. Consider and appoint a new board member to the CADC Board of Directors.

Steve Peña, CEO for the CADC stated a new member had been nominated to the CADC Board of Directors. Mr. Mike Barbosa was nominated by the CADC Board of Directors at their regular meeting on July 17, 2017. Staff recommends approval. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Richard Arevalo and seconded by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 4-0.

8. Discuss and consider authorizing staff to submit a grant application to the Border 2020 Program for a Rain Harvesting project for \$55,500.

Rudy Garza, Public Works Director stated the project would promote specific research and educational infrastructure strategies to mitigate storm water runoff, to promote local storm water runoff detention at development projects, to minimize localized flooding in urban and rural setting to reduce pollution. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

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

None

VII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Jorge Arcaute, City Manager stated the budget process has already begun. Several increases may occur thru the solid waste and sewer rate fees.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 4-0.

CITY OF ALTON



Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



Baudelia Rojas CPM, TRMC|CMC
City Secretary

