



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
Rudy Garza
Ricardo Gonzalez
Javier Garcia
Rosie Tello
Janie Gaytan
Steve Peña

Others Present

Miguel Lopez
Martha Lopez
Jose Luis Lopez
Juana Lopez
Cassandra Loza-Losoya

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 Emilio Cantu Jr led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT: Miguel Lopez spoke about the housing development scheduled to be built on South Stewart. He stated he is for the growth and development of the City; more businesses should come in and not housing developments with that amount of units.

Cassandra Loza-Loya also commented on her concern on the 80 apartment units that is planned for south Stewart. Will revenue from that construction be used for paving of that road especially on 5 mile and Stewart Road.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1. To approve the minutes of the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting of July 22, 2014.**

Motion to approve was made by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Adoption of Ordinance 2014-08, relating to landscaping and buffering of new construction sites, waiving third reading.**

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated that ordinance was to enhance the aesthetics of new construction in Alton. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve waiving third reading was made by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

- 2. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2014-09 approving a petition for voluntary annexation from Sergio and Ana Bertha Vera for property legally described as a 4.98 acre tract of land out of the south 10.0 acres out of Lot 42-1 West Addition to Sharyland Subdivision, Hidalgo County Texas, waiving second and third reading.**

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated owners were requesting annexation into the corporate limits in order to obtain a building permit for a home on the property. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Emilio Cant Jr. Motion carried 5-0.

- 3. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2014-10 approving a zone change request from Casa Linda Development corporation from R-2 Single Family Residential to MF Multi-Family Residential for property described as a 10.01 acre tract of land being the west 658.46 feet out of the south 683 feet of John H Shary Subdivision, Hidalgo County Texas, waiving second and third reading.**

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated the developer is proposing an 80 unit multi-family development on the tract. To proceed with the development, the zoning must be changed from Single Family Residential to Mult-Family Residential. Public hearing was held on August 11th. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

- 4. Discussion and consideration to approve Ordinance 2014-11, relating to amendments to the City of Alton Subdivision Ordinance, waiving second and third reading.**

Jeff Underwood, Assistant City Manager stated various amendments are being proposed to the subdivision ordinance in an effort to streamline the development process and bring specific items to current industry standard. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve first reading was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Commissioner Ricardo Garza and second by Commissioner Emilio Cantu Jr. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

CITY OF ALTON



Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



Baudelia Rojas, TRMC|CPM
City Secretary

