

**City of Alton City Commission
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
May 11, 2021 Minutes
Virtual meeting**



Members Present

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

City Staff Present

Jeff Underwood
Ricardo Gonzalez
Baudelia Rojas
Samm Mercado
Jonathan Flores
Steve Pena
Cristina Garcia
Rosie Tello
Janie Gaytan
Mauro Sandoval
Javier Garcia

- 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. **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**
- IV. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
- V. **CONSENT AGENDA**
Approve the minutes of the City Commission meeting of April 27, 2021.
Motion to approve the minutes was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Richard Arevalo. Motion carried 5-0.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Oaths of office and issuance of Certificates of Election.**
Oaths of office were conducted and issuance of certificates of election were presented.
- 2. Adoption of Proclamation 2021-03 proclaiming May 16 – 23, 2021 as National Public Works Week.**
Mauro Sandoval, Public Works Director presented the proclamation. Public Works week is to acknowledge, energize and educate the residents of Alton on the importance of the Public Works professional. 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.
- 3. Adoption of Proclamation 2021-04 proclaiming May 9 – 15, 2021 as National Police Week and designate May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day.**
Jonathan Flores, Chief of Police presented the proclamation. Tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice. 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.
- 4. Recognition of Alton area Teachers of the Year.**
Jeff Underwood, City Manager read the names of the Alton area teachers of the year.
- 5. Discuss and consider approving an agreement with American Red Cross of South Texas related to the storing of emergency supplies at city facilities.**
Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated the American Red Cross is in need of a storage facility for safe keeping of cots that are used in emergency shelters. The cots would be kept in the City's warehouse. 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.
- 6. Discuss and consider approving the Investment Report of the 1st quarter of 2021 according to the Public Funds Investment Report.**
Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated report is for first quarter. 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.
- 7. Updated Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster due to public health emergency.**
Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated there were no changes to the order. This update will be extended through May 25, 2021. 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.

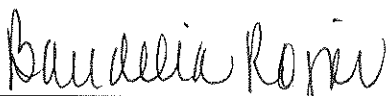
- VII. **EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 & 551.072**
- VIII. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
- IX. **CITY MANAGERS REPORT:**
Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated that a community Covid-19 vaccine clinic was held May 11th in partnership with Richards Pharmacy Alton administered Moderna. Popular Pharmacy will be hosting the second Pfizer dose May 19th at the Alton Recreation Center. Mr. Underwood also stated that the City of Alton was awarded \$8.5 million grant/loan from the Texas Water Development Board with the help of Senator Hinojosa for drainage project within the City.
- X. **ADJOURNMENT:**
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

CITY OF ALTON

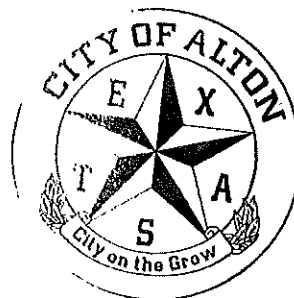


Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



Baudelia Rojas CPM, TRMC|CMC
City Secretary



Approved by City Commission on 05/25/2021