

**City of Alton City Commission
Regular Meeting 7:30 pm
June 8, 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
Steve Pena
Cristina Garcia
Jonathan Flores
Mauro Sandoval
Janie Gaytan

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 7:33 pm.

II. CERTIFICATION OF POSTING

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the minutes of the City Commission meeting of May 25, 2021.

Discuss and consider request by Luis a Del Angel Martinez, owner to rezone 11.0 acre tract at 6800 Block of North Moorefield Road from "C-3" Heavy Commercial District to R-1 Single Family Residential Large District..

Discuss and consider approving Ordinance 2021-10, voluntary annexation request from Sunterra Development, LLC to annex 10.03 acre tract, more or less, out of Lot 381, John H Shary Subdivision.

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

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss and consider the approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Alton and the City of Pharr related to the housing of Pharr EMS personnel and equipment.

Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated Pharr EMS has been contracted by Hidalgo County Precinct 3 to provide ambulance service to the unincorporated areas in Pct. 3. Pharr is requesting to keep an ambulance and personnel at the Alton Fire Station in an effort to provide adequate response time to calls for service in the Alton Fire District. Staff recommends approval. Motion to approve was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Discuss and consider approving Resolution 2021-16 authorizing the Alton Chief of Police to submit an application to the Department of Justice COPS Hiring Grant Program.

Jonathan Flores, Chief of Police stated the COPS Hiring Program is a competitive grant designed to provide funding directly to law enforcement agencies to hire and/or rehire additional career law enforcement officers in an effort to increase their community policing capacity and crime prevention efforts. Funding would be 75% grant and 25% city funds. 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. Updated Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster due to public health emergency.

Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated the there were no changes to the order. This update will be extended through July 13, 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.

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

(a) Pending and/or potential litigation:

Motion to enter into executive session at 7:39 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

(a) Pending and/or potential litigation:

Motion to enter into open session at 8:06 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and second by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

No action.

VIII. CITY MANAGERS REPORT:

Jeff Underwood, City Manager stated that City of Palmview was having issues with flooding and they borrowed some pumps from the City to assist them.

IX. ADJOURNMENT:

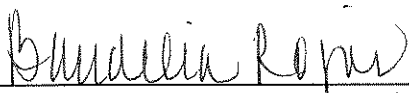
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 pm was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Arturo Galvan Jr and seconded by Commissioner Ricardo Garza. Motion carried 5-0.

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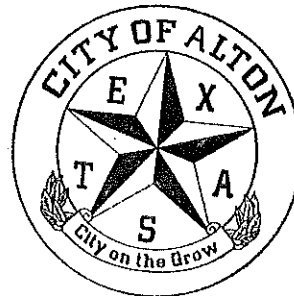


Salvador Vela, Mayor

ATTEST:



Baudelia Rojas CPM, TRMC|CMC
City Secretary



Approved by City Commission 07/13/2021