

MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
216 W. SEALY STREET
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2021
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on the above date, the City Council of the City of Alvin, Texas, met in Regular at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, with the following members present; Mayor Paul A. Horn; Mayor Pro-Tem Martin Vela; Councilmembers: Gabe Adame, Chris Vaughn, Glenn Starkey, Keko Moore, Richard Garivey and Joel Castro.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, City Secretary; Michael Higgins, Director of Administrative Services; Dan Kelinske, Parks and Recreation Director; Ron Schmitz, EMS Director/EM Coordinator; Michelle Segovia, City Engineer; Brandon Moody, Public Services Director and Robert E. Lee, Police Chief; and.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Justin Gatlin from Alvin Missionary Baptist Church gave the invocation. Council member Vela led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Council member Moore led the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing to receive comment on the proposed annexation of 59.780 acres of land, more or less, for the Watermark Development located along East House Street across State Highway 35, in Brazoria County, Texas, from D. R. Horton – Texas, LTD. – second public hearing.

This is the second of two required public hearings for this annexation requested by D.R. Horton – Texas, LTD. The land being petitioned for annexation is contiguous and adjacent to the corporate limits of the city along the stretch of State Highway 35 between East South Street and East House Street. This public hearing is a time for public comment on said annexation. Notices have been published in The Alvin Sun, and on the City's website. Final reading of the annexation ordinance will be at a special City Council meeting scheduled for October 11, 2021.

Mayor Horn opened the public hearing for comments at 7:03 p.m. There were no comments made. Mayor Horn closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

OTHER BUSINESS

Consider the City of Alvin's annual windstorm renewal from Victor O. Schinnerer & Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$299,283.88, for the City of Alvin's windstorm and hail coverage with Arch/United Specialty for Fiscal Year 2022; and authorize the City Manager to sign the Proposal Acceptance Form and the Windstorm Quote.

Windstorm insurance is property and casualty insurance that specifically covers loss due to damage by high winds: i.e., hurricane and hail damage. The City's general property and liability insurance provider (Texas Municipal League – Intergovernmental Risk Pool [TMLIRP]) does not offer windstorm and hail coverage for the City of Alvin. However, TMLIRP has an arrangement with Victor O. Schinnerer & Company, Inc. (VOSCO), an underwriting manager of professional liability and specialty insurance, to serve as the City's insurance agent in placing windstorm coverage. VOSCO has written the City's windstorm coverage through various companies since 10/01/2000. The current (annual) windstorm policy for FY21 expires October 1, 2021. VOSCO canvassed the open marketplace and approached 15 different carriers on behalf of the City of Alvin. Each carrier modeled and reviewed multiple layers (i.e., primary, buffers, and excess), as well as various terms (deductibles, extensions of coverage, etc.) in an attempt to yield the most competitive placement available. Below is a list of the responses that were received.

Council member Starkey moved to approve the City of Alvin's annual windstorm renewal from Victor O. Schinnerer & Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$299,283.88, for the City of Alvin's windstorm and hail coverage with Arch/United Specialty for Fiscal Year 2022; and authorize the City Manager to sign the Proposal Acceptance Form and the Windstorm Quote. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-21, nominating candidate(s) for a position on the Board of Directors of the Brazoria County Appraisal District.

This Resolution is to nominate a candidate(s) to serve on the Brazoria County Appraisal District (BCAD) Board of Directors. Cities, school districts, and counties may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Board. The Board is composed of five members who serve two-year terms, all of which expire December 31, 2021. In December, City Council will cast votes for various nominees by resolution. The Chief Appraiser will then count the votes, declare the results, and notify the five candidates who received the largest vote totals before December 31, 2021. In 2015, 2017, and 2019 the City of Alvin nominated and cast their votes for Tommy King. Mr. King is a current member of the Appraisal District Board and would like to continue his service.

Council member Vela moved to approve nominating candidate(s) for a position on the Board of Directors of the Brazoria County Appraisal District. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-22, casting a ballot for the election of a candidate to serve on the Texas Municipal League Health Pool Board of Trustees – TML Region 14.

Texas Municipal League (TML) Health Benefits Pool consists of political subdivisions throughout the state that join together through an Interlocal Agreement to provide health benefits to employees, retirees, and dependents at a competitive value. The Pool is able to deliver savings and services by bringing together hundreds of public entities. Savings are driven by leveraging the purchasing power of 35,000+ employees.

A twenty-two Member Board of Trustees governs the Pool. Nineteen of the Members are voting Members. Of the nineteen voting Members, fifteen are elected from the TML Regions in Texas and four trustees at Large and two Citizen Trustees appointed by the Chairman with approval of the Board. In addition, there are three Ex-Officio trustees who represent the TML Board, the TML IRP Board and the Executive Director of TML

This is the official ballot for the election of a member to represent Region 14 of the Board of Trustees for TML Health Benefits Pool. Each Member of the Pool is entitled to vote for Board of Trustee members for their Region. The City of Alvin is a member of the Health Pool (Region 14) and is allotted one vote.

The officials on the ballot have been nominated to serve Region 14 for a term of three (3) years, October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2024. Requirements to serve as a Trustee are:

- *Must be an employee or elected official of an incorporated city within the state of Texas, which is a member of the Pool at the time of election;*
- *Hold a position of Department Head or higher;*
- *Work at least 20 hours per week for an incorporated city;*
- *Be paid by the incorporated city with incorporated funds; and*
- *Be hired and fired only by another incorporated city official or by the incorporated city's governing body.*

Jason Reynolds, City Manager for the City of Nassau Bay currently serves as Trustee for Region 14 on the Board.

Candidates on the ballot for consideration: Jason Reynolds, City Manager, City of Nassau Bay; Mike Barrow, City Manager, City of Weimer; Paula Favors, City Secretary/Assistant City Manager, City of Wharton.

Staff recommends casting a ballot for Paula Favors for the TML Health Benefits Pool Board of Trustees for Region 14 through the adoption of Resolution 21-R-22. Ms. Favors is the Assistant City Manager/City Secretary/Human Resources Director for the City of Wharton. Dixie Roberts works closely with Ms. Favors and believes that her many years of experience in all facets of local government will be of great benefit to the Board as a representative to Region 14. The first-hand knowledge and experience she has acquired will bring a well-rounded and personal perspective to the table.

Council member Adame moved to approve casting a ballot for the election of candidate Paula Favors to serve on the Texas Municipal League Health Pool Board of Trustees – TML Region 14. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider the cancellation of the October 7, 2021, City Council meeting.

A majority of the members of City Council will be attending the Texas Municipal League Annual Conference and will not be able to attend the meeting scheduled for October 7, 2021.

Council member Garivey moved to approve the cancellation of the October 7, 2021, City Council meeting. Seconded by Council member Vaughn; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider, if any, requests from individual council members for an item or items to be placed on the upcoming agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting.

There were no requests made.

Discuss lot sizes in the proposed Diamond Oaks Tract along FM 1462 being developed by Cove Matrix Development. (Council member Castro / Council member Garivey)

This item is on the agenda for discussion by Council member's Castro and Garivey.

This item was postponed to the October 21st Council Meeting.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

Items of Community Interest and review preliminary list of items for next Council meeting.

Mr. Junru Roland announced items of community interest; and he reviewed the preliminary list for the October 21, 2021, City Council Meeting.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Council members, and City staff, for which no action will be discussed or taken.

Council member Garivey, Vela, Vaughn and Moore all expressed kudos to staff for emergency operations and recovery efforts during Hurricane Nicholas.

Council member Adame expressed his appreciation for the detention ponds on South St and thanked staff for the work done during and after Hurricane Nicholas.

Council member Starkey expressed his gratitude to all that worked during and after Hurricane Nicholas.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council will meet in Executive Session pursuant to: Section 551.07 of the Local Government Code: Consultation with Attorney seeking advice regarding a pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offer or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.

Mayor Horn convened to Executive Session at 7:21 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Mayor Horn reconvened the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Consider Resolution 21-R-20, adopting the Texas Term Sheet and the Intrastate Allocation Schedule in the Global Opioids Settlement and other matters related thereto, and authorize the City Manager to sign the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form.

Council member Starkey moved to approve Resolution 21-R-20, adopting the Texas Term Sheet and the Intrastate Allocation Schedule in the Global Opioids Settlement and other matters related thereto, and authorize the City Manager to sign the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form. Seconded by Council member Garivey; motion carried with all members present voting aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Horn adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 21st day of October 2021.

Paul A. Horn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary