

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
216 W. SEALY STREET
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JANUARY 28, 2019
6:00 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 Session at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, with the following members present: Mayor Paul A. Horn; Keith Thompson, Mayor Pro-tem; and Councilmembers: Joel Castro, Brad Richards, Scott Reed and Glen Starkey.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, City Secretary; and Florence Chapa, Interim Chief Financial Officer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Horn led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, and Texas Flag.

OTHER BUSINESS

Consider Resolution 19-R-06, directing staff to implement procedures to grant to federal employees and contractors affected by the federal government shutdown additional time to pay bills for city services that are not discretionary.

On December 22, 2018, at 12:00 a.m., funding for 23% of the agencies of the United States government ceased. The government shutdown caused by the cessation in funding affects approximately 800,000 federal and contract employees who missed their first paycheck on January 11, 2019. City Council believes that the City should do what it can to avoid compounding the financial hardship experienced by Alvin residents who are affected by the federal government shutdown;

City Manager will implement procedures for the benefit of federal employees and contractors affected by the government shutdown that will: (a) waive all penalties and/or fees for late payment of City bills; (b) allow additional time for payment of bills for non-discriminatory City services; and (c) refrain from shutting off City services for nonpayment of bills.

A brief discussion was held.

Council member Castro moved to approve Resolution 19-R-06, directing staff to implement procedures to grant to federal employees and contractors affected by the federal government shutdown additional time to pay bills for city services that are not discretionary. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried on a vote of 5 Ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Horn adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the _____ day of February 2019.

Paul A. Horn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary