

ORDINANCE NO. 17-X

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS, DETERMINING THE OFFICIAL POPULATION OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS, AT OVER 25,000 INHABITANTS; PROVIDING FOR THE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION VERIFYING THE NUMBER OF INHABITANTS.

WHEREAS, in the decennial 2010 population estimates of the United States Census Bureau statistics and demographics for the City of Alvin, Texas, the estimated population of the City of Alvin was 24,236;

WHEREAS, based on new residential building permits and information from the water utilities, the City of Alvin, Texas, has continued to grow from that date to the present, with an average of over 120 homes currently being completed and occupied each year; and

WHEREAS, based on the statistical analysis and demographic information contained in this Ordinance, the City of Alvin, Texas, in good faith, has determined that the population of the City of Alvin is over 25,000; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention that this Ordinance establish that there are over 25,000 inhabitants of the City of Alvin, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that this population determination is made by reference to several established methods of determining population in the middle of a census decade; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that the evidence and method relied upon to determine the city population are reasonable and reliable and are made in the best interest of the citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS:

Section 1. The findings and recitations set out in the preamble to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and they are hereby adopted by the City Council and made a part hereof for all purposes.

Section 2. Based on the statistical analysis and demographic information provided in this Ordinance, the City Council for the City of Alvin, Texas, in good faith, hereby makes a legislative determination that the current number of inhabitants of the City of Alvin, Texas, exceeds 25,000.

Section 3. The City Council, in good faith, makes this determination based upon the following statistical analysis and demographic information:

1. The decennial 2010 population estimates of the U.S. Census Bureau statistics and demographics for this area reflected an estimated population of 24,236.

2. The U.S. Census annual estimates of the residential population are based on the 2010 Census and reflect changes using data on births, deaths, and domestic and international migration. As of July 1, 2016, the U.S. Census annual estimate for the City of Alvin's population was 26,164.
3. Since 2011, the City of Alvin, Texas, has issued 748 new building permits for residential homes.
4. In 2016, during a Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) inspection, TCEQ determined, with information provided by the utilities department, that the City of Alvin had 8,083 single service utility connections, and 2,537 apartment units. The TCEQ multiplier of three (3) showed an estimated population of 31,860.
5. The average 124 new yearly home permits, multiplied by the timeframe between the 2010 census and now, with an average household size of 3.1, yields a population estimate over 25,000. City staff estimates coincide with the U.S. Census data that there are over 25,000 inhabitants in the City limits.

Based on these findings, the City Council for the City of Alvin, Texas, in good faith, hereby declares that the number of inhabitants of the City of Alvin exceeds 25,000.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code and the City of Alvin Charter.

Section 8. Open Meetings Act. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED on first and final reading on the _____ day of December 2017.

CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS

ATTEST

By _____
Paul A. Horn, Mayor

By _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary