



**CITY OF ALPINE**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**September 17, 2024 – 5:30 PM**

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*City Council Chambers, 803 W. Holland Avenue, Alpine, Texas 79830*

**1. CALL TO ORDER.**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.
- C. Determination of a Quorum and Proof of Notice of the Meeting.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

*Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the City Council on an item on the agenda shall speak during this section, or at one singular agenda item. A Public Comment Card must be filled out and turned in to the City Secretary at least 5 minutes prior to the start time of the meeting. The Public Comment Card may be filled out at [www.cityofalpine.com/councilcomments](http://www.cityofalpine.com/councilcomments). Public comments may be made regarding agenda items only. Attendees must be physically present in order to address the City Council. Comments by proxy are not allowed. Public Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person. Unused time may not be yielded to other attendees. Please note that the City Council may only take action on items posted on the agenda. The Texas Open Meetings Act prohibits the Council from deliberating or taking action on an item not listed on the agenda. City Staff may ask commenters clarifying questions, respond with facts, and explain policy.*

**3. PUBLIC HEARINGS.**

*At this time, the Mayor will invite members of the public to address each item listed in this section. Comments made during this section are limited to the topic of each public hearing. Attendees must be physically present in order to address the City Council. Comments by proxy are not allowed. Public Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person. Unused time may not be yielded to other attendees. If more than one public hearing is being held, each person will be allowed to speak during each topic.*

- A. Public Hearing to obtain citizen views and comments regarding the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-09-05, an ordinance approving the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 proposed tax rate of \$0.439205 per \$100 of assessed valuation for the fiscal year October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 for use and support of the Municipal Government of the City of Alpine, Texas.
- B. Public Hearing regarding the first and final reading of Ordinance 2024-09-06, an ordinance amending the City of Alpine Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget; Providing Repealing and Severability Clauses; A Texas Open Meetings Act Clause; and Providing an Effective Date.

**4. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS.**

- A. Presentations & Recognitions
- B. Proclamations
  - i) Proclamation of Constitution Week for September 17, 2024 - September 23, 2024. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

- C. Community Interest Items
  - i) Mayor Announcements
  - ii) City Manager Announcements
  - iii) Council Member Announcements

5. **CHANGES TO POSTED AGENDA.**

***NOTICE:** The City Council reserves the right to change the order of business at any time during the meeting. To change the order of business a motion, a second, and a majority vote is required.*

- A. **Items to be continued or withdrawn.** Items may be continued to the next City Council meeting or withdrawn from consideration during this agenda. Items to be continued or withdrawn require a motion, a second, and a majority vote.
- B. **Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.** Items may be withdrawn from the consent agenda by a simple request by the Mayor or any City Council member. *Items removed from the consent agenda* will be considered in the Items withdrawn from the consent agenda section directly after approval of the items not requiring separate discussion.
- C. **Action items to be added to the consent agenda.** Adding action items to the consent agenda must be requested by the Mayor or any City Council member and requires a motion, a second, and a majority vote.
- D. **Time-Sensitive Items.** The Mayor, any City Council Member, or a member of City Staff may request that time-sensitive items be considered during that section.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA.**

- A. Approval of September 3, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
- B. Approval of the appointment of Mark Hannan to the Place 1 position on the Parks and Recreation Board. (R. Stone, City Council)
- C. Approve payment of the August 2024 monthly billing summary for Bojorquez Law Firm services. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- D. Approve Resolution 2024-09-16, a resolution authorizing the City's Police Department to participate in the Office of the Governor's, Public Safety Office, Homeland Security Grants Division, Operation Lone Star (OLS) program for FY 2025.

7. **ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA.**

8. **REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS.**

*Presentations are limited to 6 minutes each. A bell will ring when the 6-minute timeframe has been reached. If further time is needed the presentation may be extended an additional 4 minutes at the discretion of the presiding officer. After the initial period and extension have passed, the presentation may be extended further by a motion, a second, and a majority vote of the City Council.*

- A. August 2024 Office of the City Secretary (OCS) Report including Legislative Services, City Council Activities, Board & Commissions Activities, Public Information, and Departmental

Statistics and Updates. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

- B. Alpine Volunteer Fire Department Update from Chief James Etchison. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- C. August Revenue and Expense Report (M. Antrim, City Manager)

9. **INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION ITEMS.**

- A. Discuss the legal procedures and guidelines for issuing utility easements for City of Alpine. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- B. Discuss updating Article I. Basic Ordinance, General Zoning Regulations, Section 18 - Definitions: Home Occupancy (M. Antrim, City Manager)

10. **ACTION ITEMS.**

*Action items are to be accompanied by a brief statement of facts, including where funds are coming from, if applicable. (Action items limited to 10 per meeting).*

- A. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-09-02, an ordinance amending *Chapter 10 – Animals* to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Amending *Sec. 10-8 City-Sponsored Clinics Authorized* to update who can authorize a city sponsored rabies vaccination-registration clinic; Amending *Sec. 10-10 Wildlife Feeding* to amend the definition and objective of wildlife feeding; Amending *Sec. 10-11 - Hunting* providing clarifying language that hunting is prohibited within the city limits of Alpine, except for the capture and control of nuisance animals by an authorized government official; Amending *Sec. 10-42 - Public Nuisances Designated* to provide clarifying language, provide additional circumstances that constitute an animal nuisance, and making section references to other relevant sections in the chapter; Removing *Sec. 10-45 - Standing Bulls, Stallions or Jacks at Stud* and relocating the section to a more appropriate portion of the code, and establishing *Sec. 10-95 - Standing Bulls, Stallions or Jacks at Stud* under *Division II – Permits*; Amending *Sec. 10-9. - Guide Dogs* by updating the title to more appropriate language, *10-9 Service Animals*, to better align with federal and state verbiage and requirements; Providing the establishment of up to a \$500 penalty per occurrence for violations of the ordinance; And providing for the following: Findings of Fact, enactment, Repealer, Penalty, Savings, Severability, Proper Notice and Meeting, and Effective Date clauses. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- B. Approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-09-03, an ordinance amending *Chapter 82 – Solid Waste*; Providing for updated definitions throughout the chapter; Providing clarification that disposing of ash or other byproduct of burning is considered illegal dumping; Providing clarification that bulky items placed next to collection containers is considered illegal dumping; Establishing responsibilities of residential and commercial sanitation accounts; Providing clarification that rates and fees are established by the approved contract with the waste hauler contractor; Providing for updated requirements concerning disposal of dead animals, disposal of construction and demolition wastes, and bulky waste disposal; Providing clarification regarding offenses, penalties, and fines for violations of the chapter; Establishing *Division 3- Scrap Tires* that provides criteria and guidelines for the proper disposal and storage, transportation, collection, and processing of tires; Providing the establishment of up to a \$4,000 penalty per occurrence for violations of the ordinance; And providing for the following: Findings of Fact, Enactment, Repealer, Penalty, Savings, Severability, Proper Notice and Meeting, and Effective Date clauses.
- C. Approve the second and final reading of Ordinance 2024-09-05, an ordinance approving the

Fiscal Year 2024-2025 proposed tax rate of \$0.439205 per \$100 of assessed valuation for the fiscal year October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 for use and support of the Municipal Government of the City of Alpine, Texas. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

- D. Approve the first and final reading of Ordinance 2024-09-06, an ordinance amending the City of Alpine Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget; Providing Repealing and Severability Clauses; A Texas Open Meetings Act Clause; and Providing an Effective Date. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- E. Approve Resolution 2024-09-15, a resolution approving a recommendation for Parks and Recreation facilities fees as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Board. (M. Antrim, City Manager)
- F. Approve Order 2024-09-01, an order approving an election services contract with Brewster County for the Joint November 5, 2024 Special Charter Election. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)
- G. Approve the City of Alpine Ballot for the Texas Municipal League (TML) Region 4 Director Election. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

11. **EXECUTIVE REPORTS.**

*Executive reports are limited to 10 minutes each.*

**City Mayor Report**

**City Manager Report**

- i) Update on Water Infrastructure
- ii) Update on Wastewater Infrastructure.
- iii) Update on Streets Infrastructure
- iv) Update on Employee Compensation Plan
- v) Update on Comprehensive Plan

12. **CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS.**

***NOTICE:** The City Council reserves the right to reconvene, recess, realign, change the order of business, or adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of the meeting prior to adjournment, to discuss any item listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.087 (development).*

13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

*Consultation with Attorney § 551.071, Texas Government Code*

- A. Discuss Customs and Border Protection Hangar Lease Renewal.
- B. Discuss status update on property liens and procedures.
- C. Discuss the possible sale and/or acquisition of property for long-term overall city goals and planning, including city owned structures. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**14. ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

- A. Action, if any, concerning any of the items listed in executive session. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

**15. ADJOURN.****CERTIFICATION**

I, Geoffrey R. Calderon, do hereby certify that this notice was posted at City Hall, in a convenient and readily accessible place to the general public, and on the City website at [www.cityofalpine.com/agenda](http://www.cityofalpine.com/agenda) pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted by 2:00 P.M. on September 13, 2024, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting.

**WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL****this 13th day of September, 2024**

  
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Geoffrey R. Calderon, TRMC  
*City Secretary & Chief Governance Officer*

