CITY OF ALPINE

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING

March 12, 2025 – 5:30 PM

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER.**

2. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**
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4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS.**
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5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING**

   A. Approval of February 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

6. **INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION ITEMS**

   A. Discuss a native plant list for city parks. (D. Nance, City Council)

   B. Update on the Pueblo Nuevo Park project. (D. Nance, City Council)

   C. Update from the Parks & Recreation Department Manager. (D. Nance, City Council)

   D. Update on the Shade Structure at the Dog Park. (D. Nance, City Council)

7. **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 a recommendation to the City Council regarding a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 74 – Parks and Recreation, Article II – Municipal Swimming Pool, to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Amending rules and regulations for the city pool; Providing the establishment of up to a $500 penalty per occurrence for violations of the ordinance. (D. Nance, City Council)

8. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

9. **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 pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted by 2:00 P.M. on March 7, 2025, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL
this 7th day of March 2025.

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

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM REPORT
March 12, 2025
Agenda Item No. 5A
Department:
Sponsor: Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Memo Prepared By: Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Staff Recommendation: Approve

AGENDA ITEM

Approval of February 12, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

None

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

1. 3-7-25 Parks & Recreation Minutes

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Expenditure Required:	N/A
Savings Anticipation:	N/A
Current Budget FY 2024-2025:	N/A
Additional Funding:	N/A

APPROVERS

City of Alpine
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, February 12, 2025 – 5:30 PM
Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER.**

2. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Vice-Chair Luis Gomez called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. with the following persons present:

Board Members Present:
Councilor Darin Nance
Place 3 Kristal Baca
Place 7 Luis Gomez
Place 6 Iris De Leon

City Staff and Stakeholders Present:
Megan Antrim, City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

Not Present:
Place 5, Chair Herman Acosta
Place 1, Vacant
Place 2, Vacant
Place 4, Vacant

Others Present: None

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Public Comments: None

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Public Comments: None

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING**

A. Approval of December 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. (G. Calderon, City Secretary)

On a motion by Kristal Baca and seconded by Iris Deleon to amend the minutes of the previous minutes to reflect that Item No. 6A was tabled, the Parks and Recreation Board unanimously adopted the motion with all members present voting in favor.

6. **INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION ITEMS**

   A. Discuss graffiti and painting at city parks. (D. Nance, City Council)

   B. Discuss the Parks budgets from the 2023-2024 and current 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. (D. Nance, City Council)

   C. Discuss a native plant list for city parks. (D. Nance, City Council)

   D. Discuss and update the Article III - Municipal Pool city ordinance. (D. Nance, City Council)

7. **ACTION ITEMS.**
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8. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

9. **ADJOURN.**

APPROVED:

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Officer of the Board

ATTEST:

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

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PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM REPORT
March 12, 2025
Agenda Item No. 6A
Department: Board
Sponsor: Darin Nance, Councilor
Memo Prepared By: Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Staff Recommendation: None

AGENDA ITEM

Discuss a native plant list for city parks. (D. Nance, City Council)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

None

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

1. El-Paso-Plant_list
2. tree brochure1

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Expenditure Required:	N/A
Savings Anticipation:	N/A
Current Budget FY 2024-2025:	N/A
Additional Funding:	N/A

APPROVERS

Alex Tackett, Records Clerk
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Megan Antrim, City Manager

APPROVED PLANT and TREE LIST
City of El Paso, Texas

						City Projects[2]			Commercial Landscape Ordinance 18.46 Compliance		Cultural Information						
Scientific Name	**Common Name**	**Type[1]**	**Height**	**Width**	**General Water Requirements**	**Median/Street/ Right of Way**	**Park/Open Space**	**Ornamental Landscape**	**Project Tree**	**Parking Lot Tree**	**Evergreen or Deciduous**	**Site Specific Restrictions**	**Possible Problems**	**Soils[3]**	**Cold Hardiness[4]**	**Design/Cultural Notes**	**Salt Sensitivity[5]**
TREES																	
Large Trees (50' or more)																	
Calocedrus decurrens	Incense Cedar selections	T/LT	50'	15'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen	Screening/Windbreak		M-poor	H	site adaptable	
Carya illinoensis	Pecan	T/LT	60'	50'	High		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	nuts, aphids	LWD-deep	H	good open space shade	HSS
Cedrus deodara	Deodar Cedar	T/LT	60'	40'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen			LWD-deep	H	fast growing; several selections available	
Cupressus sempervirens	Italian Cypress	T/LT	60'	8'	Low			X	No	No	Evergreen	Screening/Windbreak	spider mites	M-deep	H		ST
Fraxinus texensis	Texas Ash	T/LT	50'	40'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous			MWD-deep	H	good shade; adaptable	MSS
Gymnocladus dioicus	Kentucky Coffee Tree	T/LT	60'	50'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		seed litter	MWD-saline/alkaline	H	large fruit	ST
Juglans arizonica	Arizona Walnut	T/LT	50'	50'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	nuts	M-deep	H	for river valley use	SS
Maclura pomifera	Osage Orange	T/LT	50'	50'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		thorns, fruit litter	M-poor	H	tough; adaptable	SS
Pinus eldarica	Afghan, Mondel Pine	T/LT	70'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		chlorotic if overwatered, needle drop	MWD	H	good open space shade; avoid heavy/clay soil	ST
Pinus englemania	Apache Pine	T/LT	50'	30'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		needle drop	MWD	H	long needles; for shade	
Pinus halepensis	Aleppo Pine	T/LT	70'	40'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		needle drop	M-poor	H	long needles; for shade	ST
Pinus pinea	Italian Stone Pine	T/LT	70'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		needle drop	M-fertile	H	good open space shade	ST
Pinus roxburghii	Chir Pine	T/LT	50'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		needle drop	M-fertile	H	long needles; good open space shade	ST
Platanus wrightii	Arizona Sycamore	T/LT	60'	60'	High		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	sun scald, leaf burn	MWD-deep	H	for river valley use	HSS
Populus deltoides	Cottonwood	T/LT	100'	60'	High		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	seed litter, many insects and diseases	MWD-deep	H	for river valley use	HSS
Populus fremontii	Arizona Cottonwood	T/LT	100'	60'	High		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	seed litter, many insects and diseases	MWD-deep	H	for river valley use	HSS
Quercus agrifolia	Coastal Oak	T/LT	50'	50'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		acorns	MWD-deep	H	need regular winter irrigation for growth	
Quercus lobata	Valley Oak	T/LT	50'	50'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	M-deep	H	best in deep soil, riparian valley plantings	
Quercus macrocarpa	Bur Oak	T/LT	70'	35'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		large acorns	M	H	good open space shade; long lived	SS
Quercus muhlenbergii	Chinquapin Oak	T/LT	50'	40'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	MWD	H	long lived shade tree	
Quercus polymorpha	Mexican White Oak	T/LT	50'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Semi-Evergreen		acorns	M	H	good shade; adaptable	
Taxodium mucronatum	Montezuma Cypress	T/LT	50'	25'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous			M-heavy	H	tolerates wet soils, moderate alkalinity	
Washingtonia filifera	California Fan Palm	T/LT	50'	10'	Low			X	Clustered Only	Clustered Only	Evergreen		fronds, fruit litter	M	H		
Washingtonia robusta	Mexican Fan Palm	T/LT	75'	10'	Low			X	Clustered Only	Clustered Only	Evergreen		falling fronds, height	M	M 20°F		
Medium Trees (between 30' and 49')																	
Acacia stenophylla	Shoestring Acacia	T/MT	30'	20'	Low		X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		root rot, suckers	M	M 20°F	warm locations	
Acer grandidentatum	Bigtooth Maple	T/MT	40'	25'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		sun scald, leaf burn	MWD	H	understory,shade tolerant; prefers light shade	SS
Brahea armata	Mexican Blue Palm	T/MT	30'	8'	Low-Medium			X	Clustered Only	No	Evergreen		fronds	WD-sand	M 18°F	accent use; slow growth	
Cedrus atlantica	Blue Atlas Cedar	T/MT	40'	30'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites	M	H		
Celtis laevigata var. laevigata	Hackberry or Sugarberry	T/MT	40'	30'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		galls	M-deep	H	good for drainage /ponding areas	
Cupressus arizonica (C. glabra)	Arizona Cypress selections	T/MT	45'	30'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites, bark beetle	M-poor	H	fast growing; windbreak	
Cupressocyparis leylandii	Leyland Cypress	T/MT	30'	10'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites, bark beetle	M	H	screening	
Fraxinus angustifolia (F. oxycarpa)	Raywood Ash	T/MT	30	25	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous			MWD-deep	H	oval crown; fall color	
Fraxinus velutina	Arizona or Velvet Ash selections	T/MT	40'	25'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		several insects (especially borers) and diseases	MWD-deep	H	several cultivars available; riparian tree best used in deep soils with ample irrigation	SS
Gleditsia triacanthos inermis	Thornless Honeylocust selections	T/MT	45'	35'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit litter	M-deep	H	several cultivars available; avoid confined planters	SS
Juglans microcarpa	Nogalito, Little Leaf Walnut	T/MT	30'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		nuts	MWD	H		SS
Juniperus scopulorum	Rocky Mountain Juniper selections	T/MT	35'	15'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites, allergenic pollen	MWD	H	long lived	MST
Juniperus virginiana	Eastern Red Cedar selections	T/MT	35'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites, allergenic pollen	MWD	H	tolerates thin soils	MST
Phoenix dactylifera	Date Palm	T/MT	40'	15'	Medium			X	Clustered Only	Clustered Only	Evergreen		fruit litter, fronds, height	WD-loam,sand	M 18°F		MST
Pinus cembroides	Mexican Pinyon Pine	T/MT	30'	15'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites, needle scale	MWD	H	better adapted than P. edulis	SS
Pistacia atlantica	Mt. Atlas Pistache	T/MT	30'	20'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		root rot, wilt	MWD	H	fall color; good shade tree; dioecious	ST
Pistacia chinensis	Chinese Pistache selections	T/MT	40'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		sensitive to excessive fertilizer (N)	MWD	H	fall color; good shade tree; dioecious	MSS
Prosopis glandulosa var. glandulosa	Honey Mesquite	T/MT	30'	30'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		thorns, fruit litter, poor branching habit	MWD	H	thornless selections available	MST
Prunus serotina	Southwestern Choke Cherry	T/MT	30'	30'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit, borers	M-deep	H	prefers low alkalinity	SS
Quercus arizonica	Arizona White Oak	T/MT	35'	30'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	MWD	H	good shade	
Quercus buckleyi	Texas Red Oak, Spanish Oak	T/MT	40'	30'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	M-alkaline	H	selection "Red Rock" is heat & alkaline tolerant; fall color	
Quercus fusiformis	Escarpment Live Oak	T/MT	40'	40'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		acorns	MWD-alkaline	H	heavy shade	
Quercus gravesii	Chisos Red Oak	T/MT	30'	25'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	MWD	H	fall color	
Quercus grisea	Gray Oak	T/MT	30'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Semi-Evergreen		acorns	MWD	H	good shade	
Quercus laceyi	Lacey Oak	T/MT	30'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		acorns	MWD	H	often multi-trunked	
Quercus suber	Cork Oak	T/MT	30'	20'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		chlorosis	M-deep	M 20°F	prefers low alkalinity; good shade	

APPROVED PLANT and TREE LIST
City of El Paso, Texas

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Quercus virginiana	Southern Live Oak	T/MT	40'	40'	Medium	O		X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		acorns, galls	M-heavy, deep	H	not all selections tolerate alkaline soils, "Heritage" is best adapted selection	MSS
Robinia X ambigua	Pink/Purple Locust	T/MT	40'	30'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		suckers if stressed	M	H	good flower color; 'Purple Robe' is a selection	SS
Salix goodingii	Gooding Willow	T/MT	45'	30'	High		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous	Riparian/Ponding	bag worms, seed litter	M-fertile	H	must have deep valley soils	
Sapindus saponaria var. drummondii	Western Soapberry	T/MT	30'	20'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		fruit litter, root suckers	MWD	H	if allowed, thicket forming controls banks, ponding areas	HSS
Sophora japonica	Japanese Pagoda Tree	T/MT	40	35'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		fruit litter, seed litter, suckers	MWD	H	good shade	MSS
Ulmus crassifolia	Cedar Elm	T/MT	40'	35'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous			M	H	tolerates poor drainage	
Ulmus parviflora	Lacebark Elm	T/MT	40'	35'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		cotton root rot	MWD-deep	H	adaptable	
Small Trees (less than 30')																	
Acacia farnesiana (A. smallii)	Sweet Acacia	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		thorns, fruit litter	MWD-heavy	H mature	fragrant flowers; use hardy strain; tolerates poor drainage	
Acacia greggii (A. wrightii)	Catclaw Acacia	T/ST	18'	15'	Low		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		thorns	M	H	avoid pedestrian traffic areas	
Arbutus xalapensis	Texas Madrone	T/ST	25'	15'	Medium			X	No	No	Evergreen	Specimen only	sensitive roots, hard to transplant/establish	MWD	H		
Bumelia lanuginosa	Chittamwood, Gum Bumelia	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous			MWD	H		MSS
Celtis laevigata var. reticulata	Netleaf or Canyon Hackberry	T/ST	25'	25'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		galls	M-clay, moist	H	drainages, ponding areas	
Cercis canadensis var. mexicana	Mexican Redbud	T/ST	20'	12'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous			MWD-poor,rocky	H	naturally multi-trunked	
Cercis canadensis var. texana	Texas Redbud	T/ST	20'	20'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		leaf cutters	M	H	normally single trunked	
Chamaerops humilis	Mediterranean Fan Palm	T/ST	12'	10'	Medium			X	Clustered Only	Clustered Only	Evergreen		fronds, thorns	Loam-fertile	H mature	clumping accent; good for small planters	
Chilopsis linearis	Desert Willow	T/ST	25'	20'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		litter	MWD	H	adaptable; light shade; several flower color selections & seedless selections	MST
Cordia bosserii	Mexican Olive	T/ST	20'	15'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit litter	MWD	M 15°F	best in warm, protected locations	MST
Cotinus coggygria	Smoketree	T/ST	20'	10'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		leaf burn	MWD	H	prefers afternoon shade	
Diospyros texana	Texas Persimmon	T/ST	25'	20'	Low		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit litter	MWD	H	slow growing; multitrunked; attractive bark	
Fraxinus cuspidata	Fragrant Ash	T/ST	20'	15'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous			MWD	H	fragrant flowers; usually multi-trunked	
Juniperus chinensis 'Blue Point'	Blue Point Juniper	T/ST	20'	8'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites	MWD	H		MST
Juniperus deppeana	Alligator Juniper	T/ST	20'	15'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites	MWD	H	minimize pruning; avoid heavy soils	MST
Juniperus monosperma	One-Seeded Juniper	T/ST	20'	10'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		spider mites	MWD	H	avoid heavy soils	
Koelreuteria paniculata	Golden Rain Tree	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium		X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		short lived	M-alkaline	H	flowering color	
Leuceana retusa	Goldenball Leadtree	T/ST	20'	15'	Low-Medium	X	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		weak wood	MWD	H	protect from high wind; good patio tree	
Parkinsonia X Cercidium "Desert Museum"	Palo Verde hybirds	T/ST	20'	25'	Low	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous			MWD	H mature	fast growing; thornless hybrid	
Parkinsonia floridum	Blue Palo Verde	T/ST	25'	25'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		small thorns, litter	MWD-sand	M 15°F		
Parkinsonia microphyllum	Foothills Palo Verde	T/ST	20'	20'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	Yes	Deciduous		litter	MWD	H mature		
Pinus edulis	Pinyon Pine	T/ST	20'	15'	Medium		X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		needle scale	MWD	H	slow growing; afternoon shade	
Pinus thunbergiana	Japanese Black Pine	T/ST	20'	10'	Medium			X	Yes	No	Evergreen			MWD	H		ST
Pistacia mexicana (P. texana)	Texas Pistache	T/ST	20'	15'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	No	Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	low screening	
Prosopis glandulosa var. torreyana	Torrey Mesquite	T/ST	20'	20'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		thorns, poor branching habit	MWD	H	multi-trunked; shrubby variety	
Prosopis pubescens	Screwbean Mesquite	T/ST	20'	15'	Low-Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		thorns, fruit litter	M-deep, heavy	H	tolerates seasonal wet soils	MST
Prunus mexicana	Mexican Plum	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit litter	MWD	H	edible fruit; tolerates seasonal wet soils	
Quercus gambelii	Gambel's Oak	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		suckers, acorns	M-deep	H	can colonize and be shrubby in shallow dry soil	
Quercus ilex	Holly Oak	T/ST	25'	25'	Medium	X	X	X	Yes	Yes	Evergreen		acorns	MWD-deep, saline	H		MST
Quercus oblongifolia	Mexican Blue Oak	T/ST	25'	20'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	No	Evergreen		acorns	MWD	H	attractive; slow growing shade	
Quercus pungens (Q. vaseyi)	Sandpaper Oak	T/ST	20'	15'	Low	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		acorns	MWD	H	can be shrubby; normally multi-trunked	
Rhus lanceolata	Prairie Flameleaf Sumac	T/ST	20'	15'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		overwatering, suckers	MWD	H	fall color	
Sambucus nigra ssp. Caerulea (Sambucus mexicana	Mexican Elder	T/ST	25'	15'	Medium			X	Yes	No	Semi-Evergreen		weak wood, suckers	MWD	H	both winter & summer deciduous	
Vitex agnus-castus	Vitex/Chaste Tree	T/ST	25'	20'	Low		X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous			MWD	H	varied flower color selections available	MSS
Zizyphus jujuba	Chinese Date Tree or Jujube	T/ST	25'	20'	Medium	O	X	X	Yes	No	Deciduous		fruit, thorns, suckers	MWD	H	edible fruit; tough	
SHRUBS																	
Abelia grandiflora	Glossy Abelia	S	8'	5'	Medium		X	X			Semi-Evergreen			M-fertile		several forms & leaf color selections available	

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Acacia berlandieri	Guajillo	S	12'	12'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		fruit litter	MWD	H	attractive mounding habit but can be pruned into small tree form	
Acacia constricta	Whitethorn Acacia	S	12'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		thorns	M-clay	H	multi-trunked; erect vase-like habit	
Acacia rigidula	Blackbrush Acacia	S	18'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		thorns	M	H mature	can be pruned into small tree	
Aloysia gratissima (A. lycioides)	White Beebrush	S	8'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		twiggy	MWD	H	fragrant flowers	
Amorpha fruticosa	False Indigo Bush	S	10'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	H	good in drainage, ponding areas	MST
Anisacanthus quadrifidus var. wrightii	Flame Acanthus	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Anisacanthus thurberi	Desert Honeysuckle	S	5'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Artemisia filifolia	Sand Sagebrush	S	6'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		allergenic pollen	MWD-sand	H	silver foliage accent	
Atriplex canescens	Four-Wing Saltbush	S	6'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			M-saline, clay	H	dioecious; tolerates saline, heavy soils	ST
Bauhinia lunarioides (B. congesta)	Anacacho Orchid Tree	S	15'	15'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous			MWD		miniature tree form	
Berberis haematocarpa	Red Barberry	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spiny leaves	MWD	H	barrier plant; edible fruit	
Berberis thunbergii 'atropurpurea'	Red-leaf Japanese Barberry	S	2'	2'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous			M-fertile	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Berberis trifoliolata	Algerita, Agarito	S	8'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spiny leaves	MWD	H	barrier plant; edible fruit	
Buddleja davidii	Butterfly Bush	S	6'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	many selections available	
Buddleja marrubiifolia	Woolly Butterfly Bush	S	4'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	attractive foliage	
Caesalpinia gilliesii	Desert Bird-of-Paradise	S	6'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	tough, adaptable	
Caesalpinia mexicana	Mexican Bird-of-Paradise	S	10'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	M 18°F	best in warm/protected locations	
Caesalpinia pulcherrima	Red Bird-of-Paradise	S	6'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	M 28°F	treat as usually root hardy perennial with fast recovery in warm locations.	
Calliandra eriophylla	Fairy Duster	S	3'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD-rocky	H	tough; tolerates poor soils	
Calliandra X hybrid "Red Star"	Red Fairy Duster hybrid	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H root	best in warm locations	
Cercocarpus ledifolius	Curlleaf Mt. Mahogany	S	10'	8'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD-rocky	H	slow growing; erect vase shape	
Cercocarpus montanus	Mountain Mahogany	S	10'	8'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	slow growing; erect vase shape	
Chrysactinia mexicana	Damianita	S	2'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial		overwatering	MWD	H	mass for effect; do not overwater	
Cordia parvifolia	Littleleaf Cordia	S	6'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	M 15°F	western Mexico selections less hardy than Chihuahuan	
Cotoneaster lacteus "parneyi"	Red Clusterberry	S	6'	8'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			M-poor			
Dalea bicolor v. bicolor	Blue Dalea	S	6'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	M	late fall blooming	
Dalea frutescens	Black Dalea	S	3'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	mounding habit	
Dalea lutea	Yellow Dalea	S	3	3	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	M		
Dalea pulchra	Indigo Bush	S	4'	5'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H		
Dalea versicolor var. sessilis	Wislizenii Dalea	S	5'	5'	Low-Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	possible groundcovering use	
Elaeagnus pungens	Silverberry	S	10'	10'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen		thorns	M	H	tough, adaptable; heat tolerant.	SS
Ericameria laricifolia	Turpentine Bush	S	3'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		seed litter, reseeds	MWD-poor	H	tough; fall flowering	
Ericameria nauseous (Chrysothamnus nauseous)	Rubber Rabbitbush	S	6'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		seed litter	MWD-alkaline	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Eriogonum fasciculatum	Flattop Buckwheat	S	1.5'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			M	H	takes reflected heat well	
Eriogonum wrightii	Wright's Buckwheat	S	1.5'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		reseeds	MWD	H	full sun; heat loving but coarse plant	
Euonymus japonica	Evergreen Euonymus selections	S	8'	6'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen		leaf mildew, scale	Loam-fertile	H	can be hedged	ST
Eysenhardtia orthocarpa	Arizona Kidneywood	S	10'	10'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	M	can be trained into small tree	
Eysenhardtia texana	Texas Kidneywood	S	8'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	slow growing; fragrant flowers	
Fallugia paradoxa	Apache Plume	S	6'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		suckers	MWD	H	can be hedged	
Feijoa sellowiana	Pineapple Guava		18'	18'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen		fruit litter	M-fertile	H	slow growing; can be trained into small tree; edible fruit	
Fendlera rupicola	Cliff Fendlerbush	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	naturally leggy	
Forestiera pubescens (F. neomexicana)	New Mexico Privet	S	15'	10'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous		fruit litter, leaf mildew	MWD	H	prune up to expose multi-trunk form & bark	
Fraxinus greggi	Littleleaf Ash	S/ST	15'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	can be trained into small naturally multi-trunked tree	
Ilex vomitoria	Yaupon Holly selections	S	15'	10'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			M	H	prune to expose multi-trunk form & bark; tolerates poor drainage	
Juniperus chinensis	Chinese Juniper selections	S	5'	10'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites, tip borers	MWD	H	avoid shearing foliage; many size & form selections available; dioecious	
Krascheninnikovia lanata (Ceratoides lanata)	Winterfat	S	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			M-alkaline	H	attractive winter seed heads	MST
Lagerstroemia indica	Crepe Myrtle	S/ST	20'	15'	Medium-High			X			Deciduous		chlorosis, leaf burn	WD-fertile	H	do not over prune; many selections available	

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Lantana camara	Bush Lantana	S	5'	5'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Perennial			M	M 25°F	needs warm winter location	
Lantana horrida	Texas Lantana	S	2'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	H root	full sun; heat loving but coarse plant	
Larrea tridentata	Creosote Bush	S	8'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	tolerates shearing; hedging	
Leucophyllum candidum	Silver Leaf selections	S	4'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		over watering, root rot	WD	H	smallest in size; requires perfect drainage	
Leucophyllum frutescens	Texas Sage selections	S	5'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	several leaf /flower colors available	
Leucophyllum laevigatum	Chihuahuan Rain Sage	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	open spiky appearance	
Leucophyllum langmaniae	Cinnamon Sage selections	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	most frequent bloomer	
Leucophyllum pruinosum	Fragrant Sage	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	fragrant flowers	
Leucophyllum revoltum	Curl Leaf Sage	S	4'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	unique foliage	
Leucophyllum zygophyllum	Blue Ranger	S	5'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	best foliage aspect	
Lonicera albiflora	White Honeysuckle	S	6'	4'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	shrubby rather than vine	
Mimosa dysocarpa	Velvetpod Mimosa	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		thorns	MWD	H	avoid pedestrian areas	
Nandina domestica	Heavenly Bamboo	S	5'	3'	Medium			X			Evergreen			M	H	size selections available; tolerates light shade; no caliche	SS
Nerium oleander	Oleander selections	S	15'	10'	Low-Medium			X			Evergreen		all parts are poisonous, insects	M	H	dwarf selection marginally cold hardy (25°F)	ST
Parthenium incanum	Mariola	S	3'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	good for revegetation; takes full sun, reflected heat; tough	
Philadephus microphylla	Little Leaf Mock Orange	S	5'	5'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	tolerates light shade	
Platycladus orientalis (Thuja orientalis)	Oriental Arborvitae	S	15'	15'	Low-Medium		X	X			Evergreen		bag worms, spider mites	MWD	H	avoid reflected heat	
Poliomintha maderensis	Lavender Spice	S	4'	5'	Medium		X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required in winter only	
Poliomintha incana	Desert Rosemary	S	3'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD-sand	H	prefers deep sands	
Prunus triloba	Flowering Almond	S/ST	10'	6'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous		borers	M	H		
Ptelea trifoliata	Hop Tree	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		suckers	MWD	H	tolerates shade; deer resistant	
Punica granatum	Pomegranate selections	S	15'	10'	Low-Medium		X	X			Deciduous		fruit litter, twiggy	M- alkaline	H	edible fruit; non-fruiting selections available & preferred	SS
Purshia mexicana (Cowania mexicana)	Cliffrose	S	12'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			M	H		
Pyracantha species	Pyracantha selections	S	Varies	Varies	Medium			X			Deciduous		fire blight, thorns	MWD	H	variety of berry colors and habits available	MSS
Quercus turbinella	Shrub Oak	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spiny foliage	MWD-rocky	H	large screening shrub	
Raphiolepis indica	Indian Hawthorne selections	S	4'	4'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen		leaf burn	MWD-fertile	H		
Rhus glabra	Smooth Sumac	S	10'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		suckers	MWD	H	tolerates light shade	
Rhus microphylla	Littleleaf Sumac	S	8'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD-alkaline	H	naturalizes drainages	
Rhus ovata	Sugar Bush	S	10'	12'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H		
Rhus trilobata	Threeleaf Sumac selections	S/GC	Varies	Varies	Low		X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	can be hedged	
Rhus virens (R. choriophylla)	Evergreen Sumac	S	12'	8'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	WD	H	requires perfect drainage	
Rosa banksiae	Lady Bank's Rose	S/V	20'	15'	Low-Medium		X	X			Deciduous			M	H	fencing/embankments	SS
Rosmarinus officinalis	Rosemary	S/GC	3'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD	H	upright & prostrate selections available	MST
Salvia clevelandii	Chaparral Sage	S	4'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		short lived	MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Salvia greggii	Autumn Sage selections	S	3'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			WD-no clay	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Salvia microphylla	Baby Sage selections	S	4'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous		root rot	MWD	M 15°F	periodic renewal pruning required	
Santolina chamaecyparissus (S. incana)	Grey Lavender Cotton	S	1'	3'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Santolina rosmarinifolia (S. virens)	Green Lavender Cotton	S	2'	3'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required	
Senna artemisioides (Cassia artemisioides)	Feather Senna	S	6'	6'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			E vergreen		root rot	MWD	M 20°F	silver foliage accent; winter bloom often hurt by frost	
Senna lindheimeriana (Cassia lindheimeriana)	Velvet-leaf Senna	S	2'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		short lived	MWD	H root	cut to ground in winter	
Senna nemophila (Cassia nemophila)	Desert Senna	S	6'	6'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	MWD-sandy	M 18°F	winter bloom often hurt by frost	
Senna wislizenii (Cassia wislizenii)	Shrubby Senna	S	7'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	late to foliage out; tough; heat tolerant	
Sophora secundiflora	Texas Mountain Laurel	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		seed litter, leaf skeletonizer	MWD-alkaline	H	tough; adaptable; heat tolerant; slow growing without regular irrigation	
Spartium junceum	Spanish Broom	S	8'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		caterpillers, aphids	MWD-poor	H	attractive only in flowers, otherwise gaunt stems	
Tecoma stans var. angustata	Yellow Bells	S	6'	4'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H root	good summer flowers; best in warm winter locations; large leafed tropical 'var.stans' not cold hardy	
Tecoma X alata	Orange Jubilee	S	10'	8'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	H root	best in warm winter locations	
Trachycarpus fortunei	Windmill Palm	S	15'	7'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			M	H	good in small planters	
Trixis californica	Trixis	S	3'	3'	Low		X	X			Deciduous			MWD	H	good for revegetation; heat tolerant	

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Ungnadia speciosa	Mexican Buckeye	S/ST	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		fruit litter	MWD-poor	H	moderate growth rate; early spring color; can be pruned to small tree	
Vauquelinia californica	Arizona Rosewood	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	MWD-alkaline	H	rugged evergreen screen	
Vauquelinia corymbosa v. heterodon	Mexico Rosewood	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	MWD-alkaline	H	rugged evergreen screen	
Vauquelinia corymbosa v. augustifolia	Chisos Rosewood	S	15'	10'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	MWD-alkaline	H	rugged evergreen screen	
Viguiera stenoloba	Skeleton Leaf	S	5'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	good mounding color shrub	
Zizyphus obtusifolia	Graythorn	S	6'	8'	Low			X			Deciduous		thorns	MWD	H	barrier plant	
ACCENT PLANTS																	
Agave species	Century Plant selections	A/S	Varies	Varies	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spines, weevils	MWD	Varies	many size, form, color selections available; research hardiness.	
Dasylirion species	Sotol selections	A/S	Varies	Varies	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		saw-toothed leaf margins	MWD	Varies		
Ephedra species	Joint Fir, Mormon Tea selections	A/S	5'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		root rot	WD	H		
Euphorbia antisyphilitica	Candellia	A/S	1'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	clump among boulders for best effect	
Euphorbia myrsirites	Blue Spurge	A	.5'	1'	Low		X	X			Evergreen						
Euphorbia rigida (E. biglandulosa)	Gopher Plant	A	2'	3'	Low		X	X			Evergreen						
Hechtia texana	False Agave	A/S	2'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		hooked marginal spines	MWD	H	clump among boulders for best effect	
Hesperaloe species	False Yucca selections	A/S	5'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	Varies	H. parviflora (red flowered) most hardy	
Jatropha dioica	Leatherstem	A/S	2'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			WD	H	clump among boulders for best effect; slow rhizomatous spreader	
Nolina species	Beargrass selections	A/S	8'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		saw-toothed leaf margins	MWD	Varies	do not prune live foliage	
Opuntia species	Prickley Pear, Cholla selections	A/S	8'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spines/glochids, Cochineal scale	MWD	Varies	avoid pedestrian areas; even spineless selections have glochids	
Yucca species	Yucca selections	A/S	Varies	Varies	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spine tipped leaves	MWD	Varies	many size & form selections available.	
GRASSES																	
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Aristida purpurea	Purple Threeawn	OG	1.5'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Dormant						
Bouteloua species	Grama Grasses	OG	Varies	Varies	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Dormant			M	H		
Muhlenbergia species	Muhley Grass selections	OG	Varies	Varies	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Dormant			MWD	H	good variety of clumping species available	
Nassella tennuissima (Stipa tennuissima)	Feather Grass	OG	2'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Dormant		shade tolerent	M	H	short lived but reseeds	
Oryzopsis hymenoides	Indian Rice Grass	OG	1.5'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Dormant		short lived	MWD-sandy	H	reseeds	
Panicum virgatum	Switch grass selections	OG	4'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Dormant			M	H	foliage color selections available	
Pennisetum setaceum "Rubrum"	Red / Purple Fountain Grass	OG	4'	4'	Medium-High	X	X	X			Dormant		short lived	M	M 25°F	sterile selection; species is invasive	
Schizachrium scoparium	Little Bluestem	OG	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Dormant			MWD	H	good winter color	
Sporobolus wrightii	Giant Sacaton	OG	6'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Dormant			M-heavy	H	giant form selection available	ST
Turf Grasses							X										
Buchloe dactyloides	Buffalograss selections	TG	.5'	Varies	Medium		X	X			Dormant		foot traffic, shade	LWD-clay	H	low fertilizer; mowing not required; drought deciduous	
Cynodon dactylon	Hybrid Bermudagrass selections	TG	2"	Varies	Medium		X	X			Dormant			MWD	H	seedless hybrid selections only	ST
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye Grass selections	TG	Varies	Varies	High		X	X			Dormant		heat	M-fertile	H	prefers cool summers	MST
Poa arachnifera	Texas Bluegrass	TG	Varies	Varies	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			M	H		SS
Zoysia species	Zoysia Turf selections	TG	Varies	Varies	Medium			X			Dormant			MWD	H	slow spreading	MST
GROUND COVERS																	
Acacia redolens	Prostrate Acacia	GC/S	3'	15'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen						
Acalypha monostachya	Copperleaf	GC/CP	1'	3'	Low		X	X			Deciduous						
Artemisia ludoviciana	White or Prairie Sagebrush	GC/CP	2'	3'	Low		X	X			Semi-Evergreen		allergenic pollen	MWD	H	rhizomatous spreader; shear off in winter	
Baccharis pilularis	Coyote Bush	GC/S	2'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites, root fungus	MWD	H	periodic renewal pruning required	MST
Baccharis pilularis X sarothroides	Dwarf Coyote Bush hybrids	GC/S	3'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	MWD	H	can be short lived	MST
Carpobrotus chilensis	California Ice Plant	GC/CP	1'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous		fungal die-back, rabbits	MWD-poor	M 20°F	no foot traffic	
Carpobrotus edulis	Common Ice Plant	GC/CP	1'	5'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		fungal die-back, rabbits	MWD-sand	M 20°F	no foot traffic	
Cotoneaster glaucophyllus	Grey leafed Cotoneaster	GC/S	1'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			M-poor	H	low maintenance	
Cotoneaster horizontalis	Rock Cotoneaster	GC/S	1'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen			M-poor	H	low maintenance	
Dalea capitata	Lemon Dalea	GC/CP	1'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	hardy selection is "Sierra Gold" but cut back in late winter to renew	
Dalea greggii	Prostrate or Trailing Indigo Bush	GC/S	1'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		no foot traffic	WD-sand/gravels	H	rabbit resistant; roots at stem nodes	
Delosperma cooperi	Hardy Ice Plant	GC/CP	.5'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		no foot traffic	MWD	H	avoid winter moisture	
Delosperma nubigenum	Hardy Yellow Iceplant	GC/CP	.5'	Varies	Low	X	X	X			Evergreen		no foot trafic	WD-sandy	H	avoid winter moisture	
Dichondra argenta	Silver Ponyfoot	GC/CP	3"	Varies	Low-Medium		X	X			Deciduous		no foot traffic	M	H root	avoid winter moisture; roots at leaf nodes	

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Drosanthemum speciosum	Ice Plant	GC/CP	.5'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		no foot traffic	M	H	roots at stem nodes	
Gazania rigens leucolaena	Trailing Gazania	GC/CP	.5'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial		crown rot if overwatered	WD	M 18°F	mass for cover in full sun; no foot traffic	
Glandularia rigida (Verbena rigida)	Sandpaper Verbena	GC/CP	2'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial			M	H root	rhizomatous; cutback to ground in winter	
Glandularia pulchella (Verbena tenuisecta)	Moss Verbena	GC/CP	1'	4'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	M 20°F	mass for cover	
Juniperus horizontalis	Juniper groundcover selections	GC/S	1'	6'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	M	H	good for bank cover	
Juniperus sabina	Juniper groundcover selections	GC/S	1'	10'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen		spider mites	MWD	H	good for bank cover	
Lantana montevidensis	Trailing Purple	GC/CP	1'	6'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	M 30°F	mass for cover in full sun; no foot traffic	
Lantana X	Lanatana hybrids	GC/CP	2'	6'	Low	X	X	X			Deciduous			M	M 30°F	mass for cover in full sun; no foot traffic	
Mahonia repens	Creeping Mahonia	GC/S	3'	6'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			M-fertile	H	tolerates shade; rhizomatous	
Malepora crocea	Red Iceplant	GC/CP	.5'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergeen		foot traffic	MWD	M 20°F	aggressive spreader; roots at stem nodes	
Malepora lutea	Yellow Ice Plant	GC/CP	.5'		Low	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen		foot traffic	MWD	M 20°F	aggressive spreader; roots at stem nodes	
Marsilea macropoda	Fern Clover	GC/CP	.5'		Medium-High		X	X			Perennial		invasive	M-fertile	H	ponding/drainage areas; spreads by stolons	
Mirabilis multiflora	Giant Four O'clock	GC/CP	2'	5'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Perennial			MWD	H root		
Oenothera speciosa	Mexican Primrose	GC/CP	1'	1.5'	Medium	X	X	X			Deciduous		invasive	M	H root	contain to control rhizome spread	
Oenothera stubbei	Baja Evening Primrose	GC/CP	.5'	4'	Medium		X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	M 20°F	spreads by runners rooting at nodes	
Phyla nodiflora var. incisa	Frogfruit	GC/CP	1'	1'	Medium-High		X	X			Deciduous			M-clay	H root	shear to ground in winter; roots at leaf nodes	
Teucrium X lucidrys (T. chamadrys)	Germander	GC/CP	1'	3'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD-fertile	H	rhizomatous; demands excellent drainage	
Trachelospermum jasminoides	Star Jasmine	GC/S	1'	10'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	versatile twining vine for groundcover or as climber	
Trachelosperum asiaticum	Asian Jasmine	GC/S	1'	4'	Medium		X	X			Evergreen			MWD	H	versatile twining vine for groundcover or as climber	
Vinca major	Periwinkle	GC/CP	2'	3'	High		X	X			Evergreen		invasive	M-fertile	H	shade tolerant; aggressive; root along stems	
Vinca minor	Dwarf Periwinkle	GC/CP	.5'	2'	High		X	X			Evergreen			M-fertile	H	shade tolerant; non-aggressive; root along stems	
Zinnia grandiflora	Plains Zinnia, Rocky Mountain Zinnia	GC/CP	.5'	1'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen			MWD	H	spreads by stolons; use with rocks	
VINES																	
Antigonon leptopus	Coral Vine	V	to 40'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	aggressive climber	MWD	H root	large tuberous root needs winter mulch	
Campsis radicans	Trumpet Vine	S/V	to 40'		Medium			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	suckers, invasive	M-fertile	H	needs support in maturity; color selections available	
Cissus trifoliata	Arizona Grape Ivy	S/V	to 30'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	invasive spreader	M-clay	H root	fast growing, tendril climber; may need restraint	
Clematis drummondii	Desert Clematis	V	to 30'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	aggresive growth, suckers	MWD	H	vigorous, mat forming growth; prune back periodically	
Clematis lingusticifolia	Western Virgin's Bower	V	to 20'		Low-Medium			X			Perennial	Fencing/Arbor		MWD-fertile	H		
Fallopia aubertii (Polygonum aubertii)	Silver Lace Vine	V	to 30'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	suckers, weedy	MWD	H	fences & arbors; can be a groundcover	
Gelsemium sempervirens	Carolina Jessamine	V	to 20'		Medium			X			Evergreen	Fencing/Arbor		M-fertile	H	can also be used as groundcover	
Hedera species	Ivy selections	V	to 30'		Medium			X			Evergreen	Fencing/Arbor	aerial rootlets, invasive	M-fertile	H	can also be used as groundcover	
Lonicera japonica	Japanese Honeysuckle selections	V	to 15'		Medium			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	aphids, invasive	MWD	H	will smother adjacent plants; cut back regularly to control	
Lonicera sempervirens	Coral Honeysuckle	S/V	to 15'		Medium-High			X			Semi-Evergreen	Fencing/Arbor		M-fertile	H	needs support in maturity; color selections available	
Macfadyena unguis-cati	Yellow Catclaw Vine	V	to 25'		Medium			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor		MWD	M 18°F	likes hot masonry walls; cut back periodically for new growth	
Mascagnia lilacina	Purple Orchid Vine	V	to 15'		Low-Medium			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor		MWD	M 15°F	twining	
Parthenocissus inserta	Woodbine	S/V	to 20'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor		M	H	less aggressive than P. quinquefolia; good fall color	
Parthenocissus quinquefolia	Virginia Creeper	S/V	to 25'		Low			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor	vigorous, mildew	M-fertile	H	tendril climber	
Wisteria sinensis	Chinese Wisteria	S/V	to 25'		Medium			X			Deciduous	Fencing/Arbor			H		
COLOR PERENNIALS																	
Agapanthus africanus	Lily of the Nile	CP	3'	2'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous				M		
Allium tuberosum	Garlic Chives	CP	1.5'	.5'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H root		
Aquilegia chrysantha	Golden Columbine	CP	3'	3'	Medium-High		X	X			Perennial				H		
Artemisia schmidtiana 'Silvermound'	Silvermound	CP/S	2'	1'	Medium	X	X	X			Semi-Evergreen				H		
Artemisia X "Powis Castle"	Artemisia hybrid	CP	2'	3'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen				H		
Asclepias tuberosa	Butterfly weed	CP	2'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Baileya multiradiata	Desert Marigold	CP	1.5'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial/Biennial			MWD	H		

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Berlandiera lyrata	Chocolate Daisy	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Bulbine frutescens	Bulbine	CP	2'	2'	Low		X	X			Evergreen				M		
Callirhoe involucrata	Winecups	CP	.5'	2'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H root		
Calylophus hartwegii	Sun Drops	CP	2'	3'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Centaurea cineraria	Dusty Miller	CP	2'	3'	Medium		X	X			Perennial				H		
Conoclinium greggii (Eupatorium greggii)	Blue Mist Flower	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Coreoposis lanceolata	Coreopsis	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Echinacea purpurea	Purple Coneflower	CP	3'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Engelmannia peristenia	Cutleaf Daisy	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Epilobium latafolium (Zauschneria latafolium)	Hummingbird Trumpet	CP	2'	3'	Low-Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Erysimum hieracifolium	Siberian Wallflower	CP	1.5'	1'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Gaillardia aristata	Blanket Flower selections	CP	1'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Gaura lindheimeri	Gaura	CP	3'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Gazania X hybrids	Clumping Gazania	CP	1'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Glandularia goodingii (Verbena goodingii)	Gooding Verbena	CP	1.5'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Helianthus maximiliani	Maximilian Sunflower	CP	6'	3'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H root		
Hemerocallis species	Daylily selections	CP	3'	2'	Medium		X	X			Perennial				H		
Hibiscus coulteri	Yellow Desert Mallow	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Iris species	Iris selections	CP	1.5'	.5'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Liatris punctata	Gayfeather	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Linum lewisii	Blue Flax	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower	CP	3'	3'	High		X	X			Perennial				H root		
Lobelia laxifolia	Loose-flowered Lobelia	CP	1'	2'	High		X	X			Perennial				M		
Malvaviscus drummondii (M. arboreus)	Turk's Cap	CP	3'	5'	Medium	X	X	X			Evergreen				M root		
Melampodium leucanthum	Blackfoot Daisy	CP	1'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Mendora longiflora	Showy Mendora	CP	2'	2'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Monarda fistulosa var. menthifolia	Beebalm or Bergamot	CP	3'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Nierembergia hippomanica	Cup Flower	CP	1'	1.5'	Medium		X	X			Perennial				H		
Oenothera caespitosa	Tufted Evening Primrose	CP	1'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Oenothera macropoda (O. missouriensis)	Missouri Evening Primrose	CP	1'	3'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Pavonia hastata	Pink pavonia	CP	3'	4'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				M		
Pavonia lasiopetala	Rose Pavonia	CP	3'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				M root		
Penstemon ambiguus	Sand or Plains Penstemon	CP	4'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon amphellorea	Mexican Penstemon	CP	3'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon baccharifolius	Rock Penstemon	CP	1.5'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon barbatus	Scarlet Bugler	CP	2'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon cardinalis	Cardinal Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon eatonii	Firecracker Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon havardii	Harvard Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon palmeri	Palmers Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon parryi	Parry's Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon pseudospectabilis	Canyon Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon superbus	Superb Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon thurberi	Thurbers Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon triflorus	Hill Country Penstemon	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Penstemon wrightii	Wright's Penstemon	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Perovskia atriplicifolia	Russian Sage	CP	4'	3'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Plumbago auriculata	Cape Plumbago	CP	4'	4'	Medium-High		X	X			Perennial				M root		
Plumbago scandens	White Plumbago	CP	3'	3'	Medium		X	X			Deciduous				H root		
Psilostrophe tagetina	Paper Flower	CP	1.5'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Ratibida columnaris	Mexican Hat or Coneflower	CP	2'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Salvia chamaedryoides	Mexican Blue Sage	CP	2'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Salvia farinaceae	Mealy Blue Sage	CP	2'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Salvia leucantha	Mexican Sage	CP	4'	4"	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				M root		
Salvia roemeriana	Cedar Sage	CP	1'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Scutellaria suffrutescens	Pink skullcap	CP	1'	2'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Senecio flaccida	Threadleaf Groundsel	CP	2'	2'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Sphaeralcea ambigua	Globe Mallow	CP	3'	3'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Stachys coccinea	Scarlet Hedgenettle	CP	1.5'	2'	Medium-High		X	X			Perennial				H		

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Tagetes palmeri (T. lemmonii)	Mountain Marigold	CP	3'	3'	Medium	X	X	X			Perennial				M root		
Tetraneuris acaulis (Hymenoxys acaulis)	Angelita Daisy	CP	1'	1'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Tetraneuris scaposa	Four-Nerve Daisy	CP	1'	1'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Thymophylla acerosa (Dyssodia acerosa)	Shrubby Dogweed	CP	.5'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Thymophylla pentachaeta (Dyssodia pentachaeta)	Golden Dogweed	CP	.5'	.5'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		
Wedelia texana (Zexmenia hispida)	Orange Zexmenia	CP	3'	2'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H root		
Zephryanthes species	Rain Lilly selections	CP	.5'	.5'	Low		X	X			Perennial				H		
Zinnia acerosa	Desert Zinnia	CP	1'	1'	Low	X	X	X			Perennial				H		

[1] **Type**
A= Accent
CP= Color Perennial
GC= Ground Cover
OG= Ornamental Grass
S= Shrub
TG= Turf Grass
T= Tree
LT= Large Tree
MT= Medium Tree
ST= Small Tree
V= Vine

[2] **City Projects**
X= Preferred
O= Can be used but is not

[3] **Soils**
LWD= plant requires a well draining loamy soil
M= plant is adaptable to most soils
MWD= plant is adaptable to most soils if well draining and uncompacted
WD=p lant requires excellent drainage, no clay or compacted soils

any additional qualifier indicates the plant preference for ,or tolerance of, the soil condition described

[4] **Cold Hardiness**
H= plant is normally hardy to 10°F or below
H root= frost damage to foliage/stems is common but normally root hardy with rapid spring recovery
H mature= frost damage to stems possible on young or unestablished plants until maturity
M= plant is marginally cold hardy to temperature noted--provide winter protection/warm microclimate

[5] **Salt Sensitivity**
SS= Salt Sensitive
MSS= Moderately Salt Sensitive
ST= Salt Tolerant
MST= Moderately Salt Tolerant

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Modification History:
Raewood Ash - add - Advisory Board May 8, 2006 (approved)
Bradford Pear - add - Advisory Board May 11, 2009 (no action)
Chitalpa - add - Advisory Board May 11, 2009 (no action)
Mexican Palo Verde - delete - Advisory Board December 20, 2010 (approved)

How to create your own water and energy efficient landscape in SEVEN easy steps:

1. **START WITH A DESIGN OR PLAN** so you will know how many of what kinds of plants you need and where they go
2. **PREPARE THE SOIL** by loosening it, removing any rocks, & watering
3. **HAVE SMALL LAWN AREAS** and choose native grasses that don't require mowing or watering
4. **CHOOSE NATIVE PLANTS** that like to live in Alpine, Texas
5. **WATER** with soaker hoses or drip irrigation and only when needed
6. **COVER THE SOIL** around the plants with mulch
7. **REMOVE WEEDS** as soon as you see them...they are water HOGS!

What's up with the inner-tube things around the trees? They are called **"Treegators"** and they water the trees! Each bag holds 15 gallons of water that slowly drips out the underside of the bag. Fill them up once a week, and you're guaranteed that every tree gets the same amount of water. Doesn't get much easier than that!

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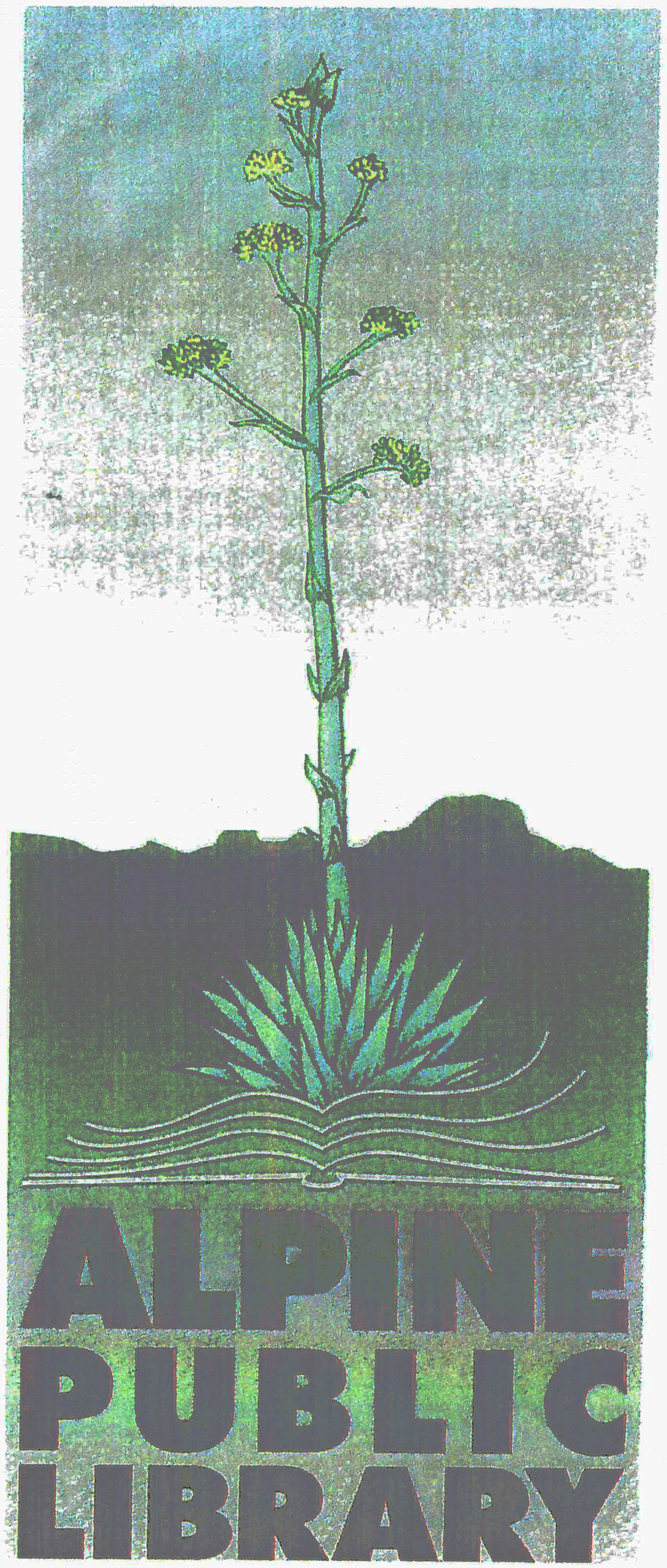


805 West Avenue E, Alpine, Texas

In August of 2012, Alpine was one of three communities in Texas chosen to receive a Native Plant Demonstration Garden Grant, funded by Lowe's, Keep America Beautiful and Keep Texas Beautiful.

The purpose of the garden is to showcase and promote region-appropriate landscaping using native plants. Because increasing scarcity of water is a state-wide issue, installing landscapes that are water and energy efficient is one way Texans can help protect our natural resources.

The Alpine Public Library site was chosen for the Native Plant Demonstration Garden for several reasons:

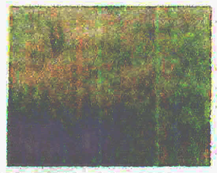
- The new library wasn't landscaped
- Current and future funds for watering and maintaining a landscape are limited
- The library's central location makes the landscaping highly visible and provides an educational opportunity for many

is proud to be a partner in creating and promoting another beautiful place in our community!

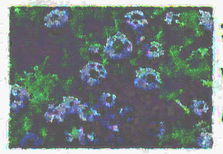
The Plants

This landscape features trees for shade and seasonal color, and low-maintenance groundcovers to protect the soil from wind and water erosion.

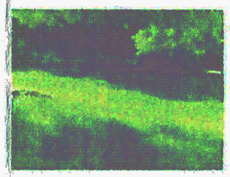
The groundcover is a mix of native grasses and wildflowers:



Purple Threeawn: perennial warm-season bunchgrass, up to 12" tall with silky purplish seed heads and stalks.



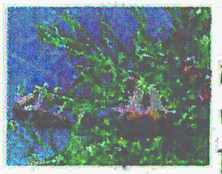
Prairie Verbena: trailing perennial with masses of purple blooms March-October.



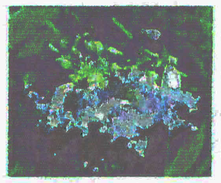
Buffalograss: perennial warm-season grass up to 12" tall that spreads by surface runners, bluish green in color.

Huisache Daisy: annual wildflower 6-12" tall with profuse yellow daisy-like flowers from April through June.

The trees are varieties that provide shade and/or seasonal color:

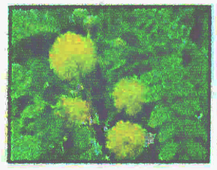


Desert Willow: deciduous flowering tree up to 25' tall, in colors ranging from white, shades of pink, to burgundy.

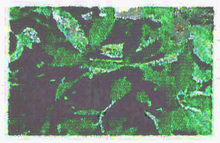


Chitalpa: deciduous flowering tree up to 20' tall, (a cross between a catalpa and desert willow) with large clusters of pink flowers.

Little Walnut: a wonderful deciduous shade tree up to 30' tall that bears small edible nuts; turns yellow in the fall.



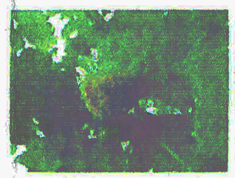
Golden Leadball Tree: deciduous flowering tree up to 20' tall with showy golden puffball flowers after spring and summer rains.



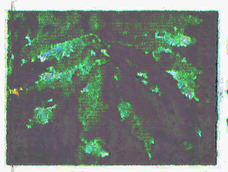
Emory Oak: evergreen oak with dark green holly-like leaves, grows up to 25' tall.

Plateau Oak: slow growing evergreen tree up to 50' tall, provides dense shade.

Graves Red Oak: deciduous shade tree with brilliant red fall color, growing to 45' tall

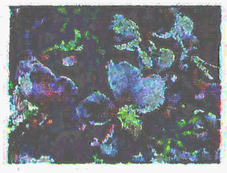


Bur Oak: deciduous shade tree with very large leaves and acorns, can reach 60' tall, fastest growing oak in Texas.



Chinkapin Oak: large deciduous shade tree, fast growing up to 30' with orange and bronze fall color.

Evergreen Sumac: Evergreen small tree can get up to 12' tall with clusters of white flowers followed by showy red berries.



Mexican Buckeye: Deciduous small tree up to 15' tall has rose-pink flowers in early spring before the leaves come out; leaves turn yellow in fall.

Vitex: Deciduous flowering tree to 25' with purple flower spikes in summer, all parts of the plant smell like lavender!

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM REPORT
March 12, 2025
Agenda Item No. 7A
Department: Board
Sponsor: Darin Nance, Councilor
Memo Prepared By: Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Staff Recommendation: Approve

AGENDA ITEM

Approve a recommendation to the City Council regarding a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 74 – Parks and Recreation, Article II – Municipal Swimming Pool, to the Alpine Code of Ordinances; Amending rules and regulations for the city pool; Providing the establishment of up to a $500 penalty per occurrence for violations of the ordinance. (D. Nance, City Council)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On February 12, 2024, the Parks and Recreation Board considered the current version of the Municipal Pool ordinance and recommended updates to the Article. The updates have been made and are included in the proposed ordinance.

SUPPORTING MATERIALS

1. Ordinance 2025-XX-XX Municipal Swimming Pool Regulations

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Expenditure Required:	N/A
Savings Anticipation:	N/A
Current Budget FY 2024-2025:	N/A
Additional Funding:	N/A

APPROVERS

Alex Tackett, Records Clerk
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Megan Antrim, City Manager

STATE OF TEXAS CITY OF ALPINE

COUNTY OF BREWSTER

ORDINANCE 2025-XX-XX

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALPINE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 74 – PARKS AND RECREATION, ARTICLE II – MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL, TO THE ALPINE CODE OF ORDINANCES; AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE CITY POOL; PROVIDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF UP TO A $500 PENALTY PER OCCURRENCE FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT, ENACTMENT, REPEALER, PENALTY, SAVINGS, SEVERABILITY, PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING, AND EFFECTIVE DATE CLAUSES.

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board is composed of community members who advise the City Council on policy decisions that affect Parks and Recreation programs of the city; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board has recommended changes to the City Council that would amend rules and regulations for the municipal swimming pool; and

WHEREAS, the amendments recommended by the Parks and Recreation Board will provide clarification and enhancements to the existing rules, and ensure that the municipal pool is properly taken care of, managed, and regulated to the benefit of all pool users; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 331 of the Texas Local Government Code provides that municipal parkland is under the operation, maintenance, control, and management of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alpine is a home-rule municipality that owns and operates city parks for the use and enjoyment of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the city endeavors to assert its rights as a property owner by implementing rules and regulations that will benefit the general public as recommended by the Parks Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ALPINE, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION I
FINDINGS OF FACT

The Alpine Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to reflect the changes hereto attached as Exhibit "A." The premises attached as Exhibit "A" are found to be true and correct legislative and factual findings of the City Council of the City of Alpine and are hereby approved and incorporated herein as findings of fact.

SECTION II
INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

The provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Alpine, Texas. The sections of the Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or any other appropriate

word. The codifier of the City is empowered to make amendments to match the style of the existing code.

SECTION III
CUMULATIVE CLAUSE

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of the City of Alpine, Texas, except where the provisions of this Ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such Ordinance, in which event the conflicting provisions of such Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION IV
PENALTY CLAUSE

Any person, corporation, or entity who intentionally, knowingly, recklessly, or with criminal negligence violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed $500.00. Each day in which any violation occurs, or each occurrence of any violation, shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION V
SAVINGS CLAUSE

The repeal of any ordinance or part of ordinances effectuated by the enactment of this ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying, or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, or as affecting any rights of the municipality under any section or provisions of any ordinances at the time of passage of this ordinance.

SECTION VI
SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council of the City of Alpine that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance should be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgement or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences paragraphs or sections of the Ordinances, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrases, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION VII
PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public 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 Government Code. A public hearing was held on MONTH DAY, 2025, where interested parties had the opportunity to make public comments on this ordinance prior to approval. Notice of the date and time of the hearing and notice of how to obtain copies of the proposed ordinance was published in the Alpine Avalanche, the official newspaper of the City of Alpine on MONTH DAY, 2025.

SECTION VIII
EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication as required by State and Local law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS (DAY) DAY OF (MONTH) 2025 BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALPINE, TEXAS.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

MONTH DAY, 2025

SECOND AND FINAL READING

MONTH DAY, 2025

APPROVED:

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Catherine Eaves, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Additions are Underlined. ~~Omissions appear in Strikethrough Text~~.

ARTICLE III. MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL[1]

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 74-76. Council designated administrator.

The council is ~~designated as~~ shall designate the administrator of the municipal swimming pool under rules, regulations and directives that it may, from time to time, promulgate.

(Code 1978, § 19-19)

[1]State law reference(s)—Authority to provide swimming pools, Vernon's Ann. Civ. St. art. 1015c-2.

Sec. 74-77. Admission charges.

Charges to be made for admission to the municipal pool shall be set ~~by the council, by resolution, annually.~~ in accordance with Appendix D: Parks & Recreation Fees, set by annual city council resolution. A copy of the Parks and Recreation appendix may be obtained at city hall during normal business hours or by visiting www.cityofalpine.com/fees.

(Code 1978, § 19-20)

~~Sec. 74-78. Additional rules.~~

~~Such other rules, regulations and administrative policies that, from time to time, are adopted by the council, shall be and become a part of this article as supplementary rules and regulations to this article, and violations thereof shall be subject to the penalties provided for violation of this Code.~~

(Code 1978, § 19-39)

Secs. 74-78~~9~~—74-100. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. CONDUCT IN POOL AREA

Sec. 74-101. Applicability of regulations.

This division shall govern all persons using the municipal pool or pool property, or present at such municipal pool or pool property. ~~Failure to comply with this division shall constitute a misdemeanor.~~

(Code 1978, § 19-21)

Sec. 74-102. Running prohibited.

There shall be no running in the pool area.

(Code 1978, § 19-22)

Sec. 74-103. ~~Drinks~~ Glass drinks prohibited, food allowed.

No glass drinks or containers of drinks of any kind shall be permitted in the fenced-in pool area. Food is allowed in the fenced-in pool area, but barbeque pits and electric grills are strictly prohibited.

(Code 1978, § 19-23)

Sec. 74-104. Number of divers on diving board.

There may be only one diver on the diving board at any given time.

(Code 1978, § 19-24)

Sec. 74-105. Swimming in diving area.

No swimming shall be permitted in the diving area, or under any diving board, except upon returning to the pool surface from a dive.

(Code 1978, § 19-25)

Sec. 74-106. Use of safety ropes.

Swimmers shall not use safety ropes except for emergency safety, and there shall be no playing upon or with such ropes.

(Code 1978, § 19-26)

Sec. 74-107. Rough play.

No dunking of others or rough play shall be allowed in the pool or pool area.

(Code 1978, § 19-27)

Sec. 74-108. Toys, floats, etc.

Inflatable toys, floats or other paraphernalia shall be permitted in the pool area only at the discretion of the pool manager.

(Code 1978, § 19-28)

Sec. 74-109. Number of swimmers.

The pool manager shall have the authority to determine the number of swimmers in the pool at any given time.

(Code 1978, § 19-29)

Sec. 74-110. Playing with pool equipment.

No playing shall be permitted upon ladders or diving boards, or upon or with other pool equipment.

(Code 1978, § 19-30)

Sec. 74-111. Talking to lifeguard.

There shall be no talking to the lifeguard on duty, except to call for assistance or instructions regarding pool safety or etiquette.

(Code 1978, § 19-31)

Sec. 74-112. Alcoholic beverages.

No alcoholic beverages in any form shall be permitted in the pool area or in the parking area adjacent to the pool area.

(Code 1978, § 19-32)

Sec. 74-113. Shower required.

All swimmers must take showers before entering the pool area.

(Code 1978, § 19-33)

~~Sec. 74-114. Bathing caps required.~~

~~Swimmers with long hair must wear bathing caps in the pool.~~

~~(Code 1978, § 19-34)~~

Sec. 74-115. Accompaniment of small children.

All children under ~~six~~ twelve years of age in the pool area must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult person ~~who is 18 years of age or older~~.

(Code 1978, § 19-35)

Sec. 74-116. Smoking.

No smoking, vaping, dipping, or other use of tobacco in the pool area shall be permitted.

(Code 1978, § 19-36)

Sec. 74-117. Refuse disposal.

No ~~refuse~~ household waste of any kind or nature shall be deposited, or permitted to be deposited, in any manner, in the swimming or wading pool, or in any other portion of the pool area, other than in designated receptacles.

(Code 1978, § 19-37)

Cross reference(s)—Solid waste, ch. 82.

Sec. 74-118. Trespassing.

No one, except authorized pool personnel, or other city employees engaged in their respective duties relative to city business, garbage collection or other designated duties, shall be permitted within the pool area except when the pool is open for business and regular attendants are on duty. Any violation of this section shall be declared a trespass, per se.

(Code 1978, § 19-38)

Sec. 74-119. Enforcement.

Any person, firm, or organization violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars ($500.00).

Secs. 74.120~~119~~—74-125. Reserved.