

City Of Alpine
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, June 10, 2025 – 5:30 PM
Minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER.**

Mayor Catherine Eaves called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The meeting was held at City Council Chambers located at 803 West Holland Avenue and via Zoom Videoconference in the City of Alpine, Texas. Mayor Eaves led the pledge of allegiance to the flags.

- 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.

City Council Members Present:

Mayor Catherine Eaves
Councilor Richard Portillo
Councilor Eva Martinez
Councilor Robert Rückes
Councilor Lucy Escovedo
Councilor Rick Stephens

City Staff and Stakeholders Present:

Megan Antrim, City Manager
Geoffrey R. Calderon, City Secretary
Cynthia Trevino, City Attorney
Darrell Losoya, Chief of Police
Victoria Sanchez, Director of Finance
Randy Guzman, Director of Nat. Gas
Jessica Isley, Building Official
Abel Hinojos, Airport Supervisor

Not Present: None.

Others Present: 3 other attendees.

Mayor Eaves announced that a quorum of the City Council was present at the City Council Chambers and City Secretary, Geoffrey Calderon, reported that the meeting agenda was posted by 2:00 P.M. on June 6, 2025.

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. 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. 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.

- Cynthia Salas, Ward 2, addressed the City Council regarding item no. 14 (a) III.
- Oscar Cobos, Ward 5, addressed the City Council regarding item no. 14 (a).

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.

4. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS.**

- A. Presentations & Recognitions
- B. Proclamations
- 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 Removed from the Consent Agenda* portion of the meeting 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, by simple request, ask that time-sensitive items be considered during that section.

6. **TIME SENSITIVE ITEMS.**

7. **CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

9. **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.

10. **INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION ITEMS.**

11. **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 Resolution 2025-06-20-A, a resolution authorizing the city to participate in the Texas Department of Transportation Aviation Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) grant program for financial assistance. (M. Antrim, City Manager)

RESOLUTION 2025-06-20-B: On a motion by Councilor Rick Stephens and seconded by Councilor Robert Rückes to approve, the City Council unanimously adopted the motion.

12. **EXECUTIVE REPORTS.**

Executive reports are limited to 10 minutes each. The City Council may hold a discussion during this section regarding any item listed on the agenda. No action may take place regarding report items, unless specified on the agenda.

City Mayor Report

City Manager Report

13. **CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS.**

RESOLUTION 2025-06-20-C: On a motion by Councilor Lucy Escovedo and seconded by Councilor Robert Rückes to recess into executive session, the City Council unanimously adopted the motion. **(5:45 P.M.)**

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

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).*

A. **Personnel Matters § 551.074 and Consultation with Attorney § 551.071, Texas Government Code.**

- I. Discussion and possible acceptance of the City Manger's resignation submitted on June 4, 2025, with a requested effective date of June 13, 2025. (C. Eaves, Mayor)
- II. Consultation with the City Attorney regarding the contractual terms of the City Manager's employment and any legal or procedural considerations related to the resignation. (C. Eaves, Mayor)
- III. Discussion and possible appointment of an Interim City Manager, including implementation of a transition plan to ensure continuity of city operations. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

15. **ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

RESOLUTION 2025-06-20-D: On a motion by Councilor Rick Stephens and seconded by Councilor Robert Rückes to move into regular session, the City Council unanimously adopted the motion. (7:10 P.M.)

A. Action, if any, concerning any of the items listed in executive session. (C. Eaves, Mayor)

RESOLUTION 2025-06-20-E: On a motion by Councilor Rick Stephens and seconded by Councilor Robert Rückes for the City Council to accept the City Manager's resignation effective June 13th 2025 and that the City Council provide the accrued salary and vacation benefits to the City Manager, the City Council unanimously adopted the motion.

RESOLUTION 2025-06-20-F: On a motion by Councilor Robert Rückes and seconded by Councilor Richard Portillo to appoint Geoffrey "Geo" Calderon as the Interim City Manager with the discussion on his stipend to be moved to the meeting on June 17th. City Council adopted the motion with all members voting in favor excluding Councilor Rick Stephens who voted against adoption of the motion.

16. **ADJOURN.**

APPROVED:

ATTEST:


Catherine Eaves, *Mayor*

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

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 pursuant to Section 551.043, Texas Government Code. The said notice was posted by 2:00 P.M. on June 6, 2025, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL
this 6th day of June, 2025.



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

