

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
SENIOR CENTER
309 W. SEALY STREET
CITY COUNCIL/PLANNING COMMISSION
JOINT WORKSHOP
TUESDAY JULY 30, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on the above date, the City Council of the City of Alvin, Texas, met in a joint Workshop Session with the Planning Commission at 6:00 p.m. at the Alvin Senior Center. The following members of City Council were present: Paul A. Horn, Mayor; Glenn Starkey, Mayor Pro-Tem and Councilmembers: Gabe Adame, Joel Castro, Brad Richards, Keith Thompson and Martin Vela.

Planning Commission members present: Jake Starkey, Chairman; Nicole Kelinske, Secretary; Ashley Davis, Richard Garivey, Chris Hartman, Carrie Parker, and Randall Reed.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, City Secretary; Michelle Segovia, City Engineer; and Larry Buehler, Director of Economic Development.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Horn led the pledge to the American Flag and Pledge to the Texas Flag.

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

Review of the City Charter, Article VIII – Municipal Planning.

Michelle Segovia reviewed the Municipal Planning Section of the Charter. Discussion was had on the possibility of City Council granting authority to the Planning Commission to review and approve minor changes to plats and variance requests on items that don't have any major impact such as front porch/car port setbacks. Members of City Council that were present felt that this would be a good practice and asked that the legalities and procedures to make these suggested changes be reviewed.

Review Chapter 21, Subdivisions and Property Development Process, in the Alvin Code of Ordinances.

Discussion was had on the legalities required for the approval of plats that meet the City's subdivision ordinance. Members of the Planning Commission voiced their concerns regarding updates that they feel need to be made in the subdivision ordinance, such as the greenspace requirements, lot sizes, amenities, etc. Council asked the Planning Commission to review Chapter 21 in detail and bring back any recommended changes along with an explanation of those suggested changes.

Review Chapter 24 ½, Manufactured Homes and Manufactured Home Parks, Article V, Recreational Vehicle Resorts and Parks, in the City of Alvin Code of Ordinances.

Discussion was had on the RV Resort ordinance and whether it needed to be amended or repealed in its entirety. The group discussed the amenities required within this ordinance and also discussed how a development like this would affect surrounding land values. Members of City Council asked the Planning Commission to review this Chapter/ordinance and make a recommendation to City Council on how to proceed.

Review proposed Development Guidelines.

Larry Buehler presented the Development Proposal Guidelines document to the group and asked that the Planning Commission review this document. Discussion was had changes that need to be made to the subdivision ordinance in an effort to enhance development in the City.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Horn adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 15 day of August 2019.

Paul A. Horn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary