

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
216 W. SEALY STREET
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on the above date, the City Council of the City of Alvin, Texas, met in Workshop Session at 6:00 PM in the First Floor Conference Room at City Hall, with the following members present: Mayor Gabe Adame; Mayor Pro-Tem Chris Vaughn; Councilmembers: Martin Vela, Keko Moore, Glenn Starkey, Richard Garivey and Meagan DeKeyzer.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, Assistant City Manager/City Secretary; Chris Thomas, Director of Administrative Services; Dan Kelinske, Parks and Recreation Director, and Robert E. Lee, Police Chief.

WORKSHOP BUSINESS

Review the Charter Review Report as submitted by the 2023 Charter Review Commission.

Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney, presented this item before City Council with explanation. All members of the Charter Commission were in attendance. Ms. Hanneman presented to Council the 2023 Charter Review Commission's proposed edits to the City of Alvin Charter. Discussion was had on the definition of a quorum and the required number of affirmative votes needed for the adoption of an ordinance vs. other city business. They also discussed how many absences from various types of public meetings Council members would be permitted. Council discussed the proposed amendment to residency requirements for City Managers, and the wording needed that would allow for a grace period for candidates living outside of Alvin to relocate to the city once they are hired. Further discussion was had on the residency requirements for Municipal Court Judges, allowing qualified applicants to apply who reside within Brazoria County and contiguous counties. It was also proposed to remove the Parks and Recreation Board and Planning Commission from the Charter. The consensus of the Council was for both boards to remain in the Charter as established, but governed by Ordinance moving forward. The Charter Review Report in full will be presented at the next Council meeting for acknowledgment.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Adame adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 18th day of January 2024.

ATTEST:

Gabe Adame, Mayor

Dixie Roberts, City Secretary