

**MINUTES  
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS  
216 W. SEALY STREET  
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025  
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 Meagan DeKeyzer; Council members: Ashley Davis, Richard Garivey, Keko Moore, Scott Salter, Chris Vaughn, and Martin Vela.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, Assistant City Manager/City Secretary; Chris Thomas, Director of Finance; Dan Kelinske, Parks and Recreation Director; Michelle Segovia, City Engineer; Brandon Moody, Director of Public Services; Kendall Hunting, Fire Chief, and Robert E. Lee, Police Chief.

Mayor Pro-Tem DeKeyzer called the meeting to order; Mayor Adame entered the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

**WORKSHOP BUSINESS**

Discuss the FY 2025-2026 Proposed Annual Budget.

Chris Thomas, Director of Finance, presented this item before City Council and provided an explanation. He shared background information that guides staff in developing the annual budget recommendations, including provisions from the Local Government Code, Tax Code, and City Charter. Staff recommendations are also shaped by changes enacted by the Texas Legislature.

Mr. Thomas provided an overview of what a budget document entails and the types of funds it contains, emphasizing its flexibility and how it can be revised during the budget process and amended after its adoption. He highlighted proposed increases in certain funds, including a 6% adjustment to water/sewer rates to support the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Project and a 2% increase in sanitation rates. He also discussed fund balances and the use of dedicated sales tax revenue.

Sales tax collections are projected at \$11 million for the FY 2025–2026 budget. Mr. Thomas noted that property tax rates have generally declined over the past decade, impacting overall revenue. Based on projected revenues and expenditures, the County Tax Assessor uses a State Comptroller-provided worksheet to help cities determine their proposed tax rate. If the proposed rate is the same as the previous year or below the No-New-Revenue Rate, no public hearing is required, but one is still suggested to maintain transparency; the final adopted rate may be set lower than the proposed rate.

At the next City Council meeting, Council will be asked to vote on the maximum tax rate that can be adopted by the City for the 2025 tax year. Another Budget Workshop is scheduled for August 12 for further discussion and questions, with an additional tentative workshop scheduled for August 21, if needed. Mr. Thomas concluded by outlining possible tax rate scenarios and explaining how each scenario would affect the City's ability to adopt a balanced budget.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Adame adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 21st of August 2025.

ATTEST:

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Gabe Adame, Mayor

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Dixie Roberts, City Secretary