

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
216 W. SEALY STREET
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY OCTOBER 21, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT REMEMBERED that, on the above date, the City Council of the City of Alvin, Texas, met in Regular at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, with the following members present: Mayor Paul A. Horn; Mayor Pro-Tem Martin Vela; Councilmembers: Gabe Adame, Keko Moore, Glenn Starkey, and Richard Garivey.

Staff members present: Junru Roland, City Manager; Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney; Dixie Roberts, City Secretary; Michael Higgins, Director of Administrative Services; Dan Kelinske, Parks and Recreation Director; Michelle Segovia, City Engineer; and Robert E. Lee, Police Chief.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ed Carrette from Grace Episcopal Church gave the invocation. Council member Moore led the pledge of allegiance to the American flag. Council member Garivey led the pledge to the Texas flag.

PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation – Alvin Municipal Court Week November 1-5, 2021.

Mayor Horn presented a proclamation to Judge Mo Ghuneim and the Municipal Court Staff recognizing the week of November 1-5, 2021, as Municipal Court Week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA: CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Consider approval of the September 2, 2021, City Council Workshop meeting minutes.

Consider approval of the September 16, 2021, City Council Regular meeting minutes.

Consider approval of the October 11, 2021, Special called City Council meeting minutes.

Acknowledge receipt of the quarterly Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Improvement Projects Report.

Acknowledge receipt of the Quarterly Investment Report ending September 30, 2021.

Consider a master preliminary plat of Watermark (located along the east side of Bypass 35 between House Street and South Street), being 103.5 acres of land containing 223 lots (60' x 120' typ.) and fourteen reserves in five blocks, out of the B.B.B.&C.R.R. Co. Survey, A-159, I.&G.N.R.R. Co. Survey, A-400, Brazoria County, Texas.

On July 29, 2021, the Engineering Department received the master preliminary plat of Watermark for review. The property is located along the east side of Bypass 35 between House Street and South Street. This master preliminary plat consists of 223 single-family residential lots, 14 reserves, and 5 blocks, and complies with the City of Alvin's Subdivision Ordinance.

The City Planning Commission unanimously approved the plat at their meeting on September 21, 2021. Staff recommended approval of the plat.

Council member Adame moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

OTHER BUSINESS

Consider Ordinance 21-P, authorizing the issuance of approximately \$4,800,000 City of Alvin, Texas, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2021; approving related agreements; approving the preparation and distribution of an Official Statement; enacting other provisions relating thereto; and providing for the effective date thereof.

In February 2014, the City engaged the services of Freese and Nichols to draft a Utility Master Plan. The adopted Utility Master Plan was completed in April 2016 and identified approximately \$92 million in utility projects to be completed over the next 20 years. These improvements are necessary to provide for future growth, replace aging infrastructure, improve efficiency, and keep the City in compliance with TCEQ regulations.

Projects to be partially funded from the proceeds of the 2021 Water & Sewer System Revenue Bonds are listed below:

Project Name	Partial Project Costs	Description of project
Lift Station #23 Expansion Projected Construction Cost: <u>\$19,794,697.75</u>	\$2,400,000	This project includes the expansion of Lift Station #23 from a firm pumping capacity of 2.02 Million Gallons per Day (MGD) to a firm pumping capacity of 9 MGD and elimination of lift stations 15 and 16. This project also includes the replacement of sanitary gravity mains along Steele Road, North Gordon, Rice Street, and Ave. E 1/2, with approximately 14,720 linear feet of new gravity mains, ranging in size from 15-inch to 30-inch, and replacing approximately 7,000 linear feet of 16-inch and 12-inch sanitary force main along Highway 35 Bypass with 24-inch force main.
WWTP Critical Improvements Projected Construction Cost: \$4,781,143	\$2,400,000	Complete critical WWTP facility improvements such as improvements in the influent screen and lift station, grit removal, a new blower at aeration basins, erosion control at the clarifiers, two new RAS pumps' valves and flow meters, new tanks and improvements at the chemical building, new gates/valves/gaur rail at the aerated sludge holding tank, one new blower, a blower replacement and miscellaneous improvements such as roof improvements, a new auto-dialer, and upsizing of the water line in the admin building.
Total:	\$4,800,000	

City staff participated in ratings call with Standard & Poor's on September 14, 2021. Standard & Poor's affirmed the City's Revenue Bond rating of "A+/Stable" on the Series 2021 Water & Sewer System Revenue Bonds.

The Series 2021 Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds are scheduled to be competitively bid at 10:00 a.m. on October 21, 2021. Thereafter, staff will know the exact dollar amount of bonds that will need to be issued to cover the project costs as well as other bond issuance costs. The City's Financial Advisors will be at the City Council meeting to present the results of the sale and ask City Council to approve Ordinance 21-P, authorizing the bond sale. Should City Council authorize the issuance of the Series 2021 Water & Sewer System Revenue Bonds, the bonds are expected to close, with funds deposited into the City's accounts on November 11, 2021.

James Gilley with U.S. Capital Advisors LLC presented the information from the mornings bond bid in the amount of \$4,630,000 with explanation.

Council member Starkey moved to approve Ordinance 21-P, authorizing the issuance of \$4,630,000 City of Alvin, Texas, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2021; approving related agreements; approving the preparation and distribution of an Official Statement; enacting other provisions relating thereto; and providing for the effective date thereof. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider a Professional Services Agreement with LJA Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$151,200 for the acquisition of up to thirty-five easements (35) and one (1) fee simple property acquisition required for the construction of the Lift Station 23 Expansion Project; and authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement upon legal review.

The Agreement being considered will provide Professional Services relating to the acquisition of the thirty-five (35) temporary/permanent easements and for the one (1) fee simple property acquisition that are required for the construction of the Lift Station 23 Expansion Project. LJA Engineering will handle all negotiations with the property owners from initial offer letter through submission of the Closing File or Condemnation Package, if required. The cost for acquisition services rendered under this agreement are not to exceed \$151,200 and will commence upon receipt of the signed agreement.

Funding will come from the remaining 2015 Certificate of Obligation bond proceeds. Staff recommended approval of this Agreement.

City Engineer, Michelle Segovia, presented this item before Council with explanation.

Council member Vela moved to approve a Professional Services Agreement with LJA Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$151,200 for the acquisition of thirty-five (35) easements and one (1) fee simple property acquisition that are required for the construction of the Lift Station 23 Expansion Project; and authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement upon legal review. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-24, accepting the Petition for the Creation of a Public Improvement District for the Bayou Point development within the City of Alvin, Texas; setting a public hearing for November 18, 2021; providing for open meetings and other related matters.

On or about September 2, 2021, Binnacle Alvin 31, LLC, the owner of certain property located within the City, petitioned the City for the creation of a public improvement district pursuant to Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, for the Bayou Point Subdivision, approximately 32 acres for 122 single family residential lots.

Public Improvement Districts (PID) are governed by Chapter 372 of the Texas Local Government Code, which requires that the governing body hold one (1) public hearing to allow for public comment before the PID is considered for final adoption. The public hearing for the PID will be November 18, 2021. After the public hearing, Council will be presented with the final Resolution creating the PID. This PID will be known as the Bayou Point PID. Staff recommended accepting the Petition for Creation and setting the public hearing date.

Jerry Leblanc, Developer for Bayou Point was present to answer questions had by City Council. Discussion was had on the difference between a MUD and a PID.

Council member Garivey moved to approve Resolution 21-R-24, accepting the Petition for the Creation of a Public Improvement District for the Bayou Point development within the City of Alvin, Texas; setting a public hearing for November 18, 2021; providing for open meetings and other related matters. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider a Developer Agreement between Brazoria County, Texas, the City of Alvin, Texas, and Lando Development, LTD., to jointly participate in the development and extension of Cardinal Drive (County Road 149) in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in the Developer Agreement; and authorize the Mayor to sign the said Agreement upon legal review.

Lando Development, LTD is proposing to develop a subdivision adjacent to a portion of the proposed extension of Cardinal Drive (County 149). During a Council workshop regarding the development, discussions were had regarding County Road 149, and Council requested the developer to conduct a Traffic Impact Analysis. As a result of that analysis, it was recommended that County Road 149 be extended. Thereafter, staff and Lando Development contacted the County for their requirements regarding the extension of County Road 149. A Developer Agreement was drafted by the County, delineating responsibilities for the extension of County Road 149. The major context of the Development Agreement includes the preservation of right-of-way and the construction of a boulevard along the proposed extension of County Road 149.

Preservation of Right of Way for Extension of County Road 149 - Lando Development, LTD will dedicate 60 feet (the south ½ of the ultimate right-of-way) necessary for the extension of County Road 149

The City will require future developer(s) forming the north ½ of County Road 149 to dedicate a minimum right-of-way of 60 feet (the north ½ of the ultimate right-of-way).

Preservation of Right of Way for future railroad grade separation - Lando Development, LTD will dedicate a varying width of 60 to approximately 165 feet (one-half of the ultimate right of way) of right-of-way to accommodate for a future railroad grade separation.

The City will attempt to require future developers of the north ½ of County Road 149 to dedicate right-of-way equal to Lando Development, LTD.

Construction of a Boulevard - Lando Development, LTD will construct a 25-foot boulevard section for County Road 149 from intersection of County Road 149 and County Road 529 through the subdivision entrance. Staff recommended approval of the Developer Agreement.

Mr. Roland, City Manager presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Martin Vela expressed concern regarding traffic in the area regarding possible complaints from residents nearby about access to schools, county roads and entrance to subdivision. He stated it's a considerable increase in traffic in that area. Mark Hanks, Brazoria County Engineer, responded that their focus is on what was outlined in the Traffic Analysis Report, they can only make allowances for what is recommended by the analysis, and recognizes that it will be a challenge.

Council member Vela moved to approve a Developer Agreement between Brazoria County, Texas, the City of Alvin, Texas, and Lando Development, LTD., to jointly participate in the development and extension of Cardinal Drive (County Road 149) in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in the Developer Agreement; and authorize the Mayor to sign the said Agreement upon legal review. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-26, approving a Utility Services Contract with Lando Development, LTD. for the development of Municipal Utility District (MUD) 51; and authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract upon legal review.

On January 17, 2019, City Council consented to the creation of Municipal Utility District (MUD) 51 -- approximately 137.6228 acres of land (107.1041 acres to be annexed into the City (located north of County Road 528 at the existing end of County Road 149) and 30.5187 acres within the corporate boundaries of the City, northwest of FM 528 between Victory Ln and Lulac). Lando Development, LTD. (Lando) intends to create the MUD over the property and plans to request the MUD to construct and finance a water distribution system and a wastewater collection system to serve the property.

Lando is requesting to contract with the City to obtain, among other things, water supply and wastewater treatment services from the City. Key elements of this agreement include the City's completion of the Lift Station 30 expansion project, the 54" Eastside Interceptor Project, and the Lift Station 23 expansion project – all of which are in the process of being constructed. These projects are necessary to serve northern Alvin, which includes the proposed Lando development.

In addition, because the consent to the creation occurred prior to the current Planned Unit Development Ordinance 20-G, staff recommends that this development be developed in accordance with the single-family residential lot size requirement in effect prior to the adoption of Ordinance 20-G (adopted by City Council on March 5, 2020) – which is minimum width lot sizes of 50'.

Lastly, the proposed Utility Services Contract does not obligate the City to rebate annual payments to the MUD.

Resolution 21-R-26 will approve the Utility Services Contract with Lando Development, LTD for the residential development. Staff recommended approval of Resolution 21-R-26.

Mr. Roland, City Manager presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Vela moved to approve Resolution 21-R-26, approving a Utility Services Contract with Lando Development, LTD. for the development of Municipal Utility District (MUD) 51; and authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract upon legal review. Seconded by Council member Garivey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Discuss lot sizes in the proposed Diamond Oaks Tract along FM 1462 being developed by Cove Matrix Development. (Council member Castro / Council member Garivey)

Randy Hall and Kevin Cole from Cove Matrix Development were present before City Council to discuss the allowance of 50' lots in this development. Discussion was had.

Consider Ordinance 21-Q, amending the Fiscal Year 2022 budget for the purpose of appropriating thirty million, seven hundred twenty thousand, four hundred and forty-one dollars, and forty cents (\$30,720,441.40) of prior Fiscal Year 2021 encumbrances into the current fiscal year as set forth for each individual account in the attached Exhibit A; and providing for other related matters.

An encumbrance refers to funds that have been reserved when a purchase order has been approved. Governmental accounting practice allows these funds to be reserved (encumbered) until paid. When closing FY21, there were open (outstanding) purchase orders that had not been liquidated. As the encumbered items are processed and liquidated in FY22, negative budget variances may be reflected in various departmental accounts until the budget appropriations for the previous year's encumbrances are carried forward from FY21 into FY22. The total amount of outstanding encumbrances to be carried over from FY21 is \$30,720,441.40. Staff recommended approval of Ordinance 21-Q.

Fund	Amount
100 Disaster Fund	\$10,688.92
111 General Fund	84,831.59
121 Hotel/Motel (HOT) Fund	18,600.00
123 Special Investigation Fund	3,203.06
125 Municipal Court Technology Fund	450.00
129 Parks Dedication Fund	49,800.00
210 Impact Fees	296,517.83
211 Utility Fund	98,696.45
213 Emergency Medical Services	25,096.64
220 Utility Project Fund	421,152.13
235 2015 Water & Sewer Cert. of Obligations	548,179.87
236 2018 Utility Bond Fund	9,384,663.90
237 Series 2019, Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds	6,308,824.11
238 Series 2020, Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds	9,792,821.84
311 General Projects Fund	176,807.81
312 Sales Tax Fund	384,382.34
318 2019 Tax & Rev Cert. of Obligations	2,402,938.45

512	Donation Fund	4,013.49
611	Fleet Maintenance Fund	32,453.79
612	Vehicle Replacement Fund	240,960.19
613	IT Support & Maintenance Fund	184,768.66
614	Computer Replacement Fund	7,756.18
616	Facility Maintenance Fund*	242,834.15
	Total	\$30,720,441.40

* New fund established in FY21. These PO's carried over from different funds in FY21.

Michael Higgins, Director of Administrative Services presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Garivey moved to approve Ordinance 21-Q, amending the Fiscal Year 2022 budget for the purpose of appropriating thirty million, seven hundred twenty thousand, four hundred and forty-one dollars, and forty cents (\$30,720,441.40) of prior Fiscal Year 2021 encumbrances into the current fiscal year as set forth for each individual account in the attached Exhibit A; and providing for other related matters. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-27, allowing property owners with at least 15% of property damaged from Tropical Storm/Hurricane Nicholas, as determined by the Brazoria County Chief Appraiser in accordance with Section 11.35 of the Texas Property Tax Code, to apply for a Temporary Disaster Tax Exemption through the Brazoria County Appraisal District.

Due to the Tropical Storm/Hurricane Nicholas, Governor Abbott declared Brazoria County a disaster area on September 13, 2021. The Brazoria County Central Appraisal District (BCCAD) has been reminding property owners that they may qualify for a temporary disaster exemption if they experienced physical damage to their property resulting from Tropical Storm/ Hurricane Nicholas. The exemption is not automatic and physical damage must meet a specific degree to qualify.

During the 86th Texas Legislative Session, the Texas Property Tax Code was amended to potentially allow property owners a temporary disaster exemption. Section 11.35 of the Tax Code allows a qualified property that is at least 15 percent damaged by a disaster to receive a temporary exemption of a portion of the appraised value of the property. Qualified property includes:

- tangible personal property used for income production if the owner filed a rendition*
- residential buildings (homes), commercial buildings (businesses), industrial buildings (manufacturing), multi-family buildings (apartments), and other real property buildings; and*
- certain manufactured homes*

The exemption is not automatic, and damage must meet a minimum degree of 15% to qualify, for example: On qualified property valued at \$200,000 the damages would have to be estimated at \$30,000 or more. (\$200,000 x 15% = \$30,000).

The Appraisal District determines if the property qualifies for the temporary exemption and assigns a damage assessment rating or exemption percentage of Level I (at least 15% damaged), II (at least 30% damaged), III (at least 60% damaged), or IV (100% damaged – total loss) based upon available information. The District may rely on information from a county emergency management authority, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), or other appropriate sources like insurance adjusters or repair estimates when making this determination. The exemption will be prorated based on the date of the declared disaster.

If a taxing unit had not adopted a 2021 tax rate before September 13, 2021, the property owner must apply for the temporary exemption no later than 105 days after the governor declares a disaster area. The temporary exemption application must be filed no later than December 27, 2021.

If a taxing unit adopted a 2021 tax rate prior to September 13, 2021 – as in our case -- the Governing Body of the taxing unit must adopt the exemption within 60 days of the date of the disaster (i.e., no later than November 12, 2021). If a

taxing unit adopts the exemption, property owners will have 45 days to apply after the first 60-day period. The BCCAD due date for residents to apply for the exemption is December 27, 2021.

As a result of the previous two scenarios, if a property qualifies for the exemption, it is possible that the exemption may not be applied to all taxing units if the taxing unit (i.e., City of Alvin) does not pass the exemption.

The temporary exemption, if granted, expires on January 1 of the first tax year in which the property is reappraised.

To obtain a temporary disaster application form, taxpayers may visit the Tropical Storm/ Hurricane Nicholas section of BCCAD's website (<https://www.brazoriacad.org/temporary-disaster-related-exemptions.html>).

Staff does not anticipate any significant impact to the City's property values and as the date of this writing, and per the BCAD, only a handful of exemptions county-wide have been applied for. Staff recommended approval of Resolution 21-R-27.

Michael Higgins, Director of Public Services presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Adame moved to approve Resolution 21-R-27, allowing property owners with at least 15% of property damaged from Tropical Storm/Hurricane Nicholas, as determined by the Brazoria County Chief Appraiser in accordance with Section 11.35 of the Texas Property Tax Code, to apply for a Temporary Disaster Tax Exemption through the Brazoria County Appraisal District. Seconded by Council member Starkey; motion carried by all members present voting Aye.

Discuss Brazoria County proposed redistricting.

Commissioner Stacy Adams gave City Council an update of the Brazoria County redistricting plans. The proposed redistricting is to split Alvin into 2 precincts, one and three, based on increasing population.

Consider Ordinance 21-R, implementing the Civil Service classification system in the City of Alvin for certified police officers in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; establishing classifications and ranks; setting the initial number of authorized and budgeted positions within each rank; establishing certain supplemental pay categories; setting sick leave and vacation leave accrual levels; defining certain terms and setting certain conditions to facilitate implementation of the civil service system in the police department; and providing an effective date.

In a special election on November 3, 2020, the voters of the City of Alvin approved and adopted a civil service system for police officers covered by Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code (Chapter 143).

Chapter 143 provides that, within 30 days after the date a municipality's first full fiscal year begins after the date of the adoption of the election of Chapter 143, the governing body of the municipality shall implement Chapter 143. Thus, the deadline for implementing Chapter 143 is October 30, 2021. Upon the adoption of this proposed ordinance, civil service implementation will begin on October 29, 2021. This proposed ordinance includes the following key elements, as delineated in the Local Civil Service Rules of the Police Officers' Civil Service Commission of the City of Alvin, in the 2019 Collective Bargaining Agreement, and pursuant to Chapter 143:

- *The classification of Police Officers, Police Corporals/Specialists, Police Sergeants, Police Lieutenants, and Police Captains;*
- *Adoption of the Salary Schedule as agreed upon in the 2019 Collective Bargaining Agreement;*
- *Longevity pay of \$4 a month, as existing in the Collective Bargaining Agreement and pursuant to Section 141.032 of the Texas Local Government Code;*
- *Certification and education pay, as existing in the Collective Bargaining Agreement and pursuant to Section 141.032 of the Texas Local Government Code;*
- *Additional sick leave minimum (from 10 days to 15 days a year) (as required by Section 143.045 of the Texas Local Government Code); and*

- *Additional vacation leave (from a minimum of 8 days to 15 days per year) (as required by Section 143.046 of the Texas Local Government Code).*

Staff recommended approval of Ordinance 21-R.

Suzanne Hanneman, City Attorney presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Starkey moved to approve Ordinance 21-R, implementing the Civil Service classification system in the City of Alvin for certified police officers in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 143 of the Texas Local Government Code; establishing classifications and ranks; setting the initial number of authorized and budgeted positions within each rank; establishing certain supplemental pay categories; setting sick leave and vacation leave accrual levels; defining certain terms and setting certain conditions to facilitate implementation of the civil service system in the police department; and providing an effective date. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried by all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-23, authorizing the Alvin Police Department to make application for the Body-Worn Camera Grant program through the Governor's Public Safety Office to defray the cost of data storage of recordings created with body worn cameras.

During the 87th Legislature, HB 1938 was passed and codified as Section 1701.6521 to the Texas Occupations Code, creating a grant for law enforcement agencies to defray the cost of data storage for body worn camera recordings. This newly created grant was incorporated into an already existing grant which defrays the cost of purchasing body worn cameras (BWCs) for law enforcement agencies. The Police Department is applying for this grant and requesting funds to purchase four (4) new BWCs for the new patrol officer positions and requesting funding to defray the cost of the storage of the requested BWCs and for those already in use.

This grant application requires a resolution from the governing body of the agency applying that includes the following:

- 1. Authorization by the governing body for the submission of the application to the Governor's Public Safety Office (PSO) that clearly identifies the name of the project for which funding is requested: "Body Worn Camera Storage Project";*
- 2. A commitment to provide all applicable matching funds; (25% for this grant);*
- 3. A designation of the name and/or title of the authorized official who is given the authority to apply for, accept, reject, alter, or terminate a grant; and*
- 4. A written assurance that, in the event of loss or misuse of grant funds, the governing body will return all funds to PSO.*

The Police Department use the Axon Camera system for the body cameras, in-car cameras, and the cameras in the interview room. In FY22, the Police Department specifically budgeted \$9,000.00 for BWC storage. The cost budgeted for four (4) new BWCs is \$5,600.00. This amounts to a total of \$14,600.00, of which the grant will defray 75%, which brings the grant amount we are requesting to \$10,950.00. The City will be responsible for a 25% match of the total cost which is \$3,650. This grant is for one (1) year. Staff recommended approval.

Robert Lee, Chief of Police presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Adame moved to approve Resolution 21-R-23, authorizing the Alvin Police Department to make application for the Body-Worn Camera Grant program through the Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, to help defray the cost of data storage of recordings created with body worn cameras. Seconded by Council member Garivey; motion carried by all members present voting Aye.

Consider the purchase of ten (10) Ramco in-car computers from Patrol PC in an amount not to exceed \$51,497.70 for the Alvin Police Department.

The Alvin Police Department utilizes the Ramco Patrol PC in-car computers due to their function and reliability. The department needs ten (10) new in-car computers: eight (8) for the replacement of outgoing computers, and two (2) for installation in new vehicles added to the fleet. Each of the outgoing units came with a three (3) year standard warranty,

and upon expiration we were able to purchase an additional four (4) year warranty for a total of seven (7) years of coverage. The Ramco units being replaced have been in service for almost 8 years and can no longer be covered under maintenance or warranty due to their age. The new units will have the same coverage and are expected to last 7+ years as well. The funds for this purchase were included as part of the FY22 budget. This is a sole source vendor. Staff recommended approval of this purchase.

Robert Lee, Chief of Police presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Garivey moved to approve the purchase of ten (10) Ramco in-car computers from Patrol PC in an amount not to exceed \$51,497.70 for the Alvin Police Department. Seconded by Council member Adame; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider the purchase of replacement Motorola in-car and portable (hand-held) radios for Police, Fire, and EMS from Motorola in an amount not to exceed \$734,631.00.

As of December 31, 2021, all models of the Police, Fire, and EMS in-car and portable radios currently in use will be deemed “end of service” by Motorola. Software and new feature support on all portable radios ended on December 31, 2019, as we discovered in 2020 when we tried to have the “emergency button” feature on the existing radios enabled. All of the “end-of-service” in car radios supposedly have aftermarket hardware support until 2025 or “while supplies last” but we have already experienced issues in having radios repaired even prior to the “end-of-service” date. Except for a few radios added over the years, the majority of radios in use have been in-service since the City transitioned to the current digital radio system in 2011. These radios have functioned well over this period and 10+ years of use of the same technology is exceptional. The replacement radios are the newer versions of the same in-car and portable radios and are expected to have the same life expectancy. The funds for the replacement radios were included in the FY22 budget. Police will receive 63 portable and 28 mobile radios; Fire will receive 46 portable and 25 mobile and EMS will receive 26 portable and 9 mobile for a total of 135 portable (hand-held) radios and 62 mobile (in-car) radios. Staff recommended approval of this purchase.

Robert Lee, Chief of Police presented this item before City Council with explanation.

Council member Garivey moved to approve the purchase of Motorola Radios for the Police Department, Fire Department, and Emergency Medical Services in an amount not to exceed \$734,631.00. Seconded by Council member Vela; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider Resolution 21-R-25, designating one representative and one alternate representative to the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) General Assembly for 2022.

HGAC’s bylaws provide that each Home Rule City member with a population under 99,999 as of the latest (2010) Federal Census, is entitled to designate one representative and one alternate to serve on the H-GAC General Assembly. The two designees must be elected officials of Alvin’s governing body.

Each year City Council is asked to appoint elected officials to serve as members to this assembly. Appointments must be made by October 30, 2021. Appointees are asked to represent the city and county of whom they represent at monthly meetings held typically at the HGAC offices in Houston.

Prior year appointments:

2021: Council member Castro (representative); Council member Vela (alternate)

2020: Council member Arendell (representative); Council member Castro (alternate).

2019: Council member Arendell (representative); Council member Castro (alternate).

2018: Council member Arendell (representative); Council member Richards (alternate).

Council member Starkey moved to approve Resolution 21-R-25, designating Council member Martin Vela to serve as the representative and Council member Joel Castro to serve as the alternate representative on the H-GAC General Assembly for 2022. Seconded by Council member Moore; motion carried with all members present voting Aye.

Consider, if any, requests from individual council members for an item or items to be placed on the upcoming agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting.

There were no items presented for consideration.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

Items of Community Interest and review preliminary list of items for next Council meeting.

Mr. Junru Roland announced items of community interest; and he reviewed the preliminary list for the November 4, 2021, City Council Meeting

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Hear announcements concerning items of community interest from the Mayor, Council members, and City staff, for which no action will be discussed or taken.

Council member Garivey mentioned that Alvin High School ROTC will be having event for Veteran's Day on November 10th.

Council member Vela commented that city staff is doing a great job, they stepped up to address some mowing issues recently and he expressed his appreciation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Horn adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 4th day of November 2021.

Paul A. Horn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Dixie Roberts, City Secretary