

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALVIN, TEXAS
216 W. SEALY STREET
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 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; Council members: 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; and Robert E. Lee, Police Chief.

WORKSHOP BUSINESS

Discuss Zoning.

Paige Bailey, with Olson & Olson Law Firm, presented this item before City Council. Ms. Bailey summarized the definition and purpose of municipal zoning. She also explained the authority to zone as established by the Texas Local Government Code and what specifically can be regulated. The path to zoning would begin with the City's Comprehensive Plan, adopted with all the elements required by the Local Government Code, Chapter 211. The Comprehensive Plan outlines orderly growth over the long term. Once this plan is adopted, it should be broadly disseminated to the public along with a strong public educational program. City Council would then be required to appoint a Zoning Commission. This Commission must then make a preliminary report on the suggested zoning regulations and districts and then hold public hearings on the proposed report before submitting it to the City Council for a future proposed zoning ordinance. City Council would then hold public hearings on a proposed zoning ordinance before its consideration/adoption. Ms. Bailey stated that a zoning ordinance adopted by City Council could be repealed through the referendum process/election. Discussion continued on the process, policy development, and appointment of a Zoning Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Adame adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED the 2nd of May 2024.

ATTEST:

Gabe Adame, Mayor

Dixie Roberts, City Secretary