

ALICE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

CITY HALL
SECOND FLOOR
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

WEDNESDAY
4:30 P.M.
APRIL 29, 2020

The Governor of Texas has issued an Executive Order with guidelines for the temporary suspension of certain portions of the Texas Open Meetings Act in order to avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people during the COVID-19 virus pandemic. This allows cities to have council meetings via teleconference and to conduct executive sessions via teleconference. These actions are being taken to mitigate the spread of the virus by avoiding meetings that bring people into a group setting and in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code.

Telephonic capabilities will be utilized to allow individuals to address the City Council. Members of the public are entitled to participate remotely via Toll-Free Dial-in Number: 346.248.7799; Webinar ID: 828-6197-5104, or watch the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone: <https://zoom.us/j/82861975104> or <https://www.facebook.com/CityofAlice/> An electronic copy of the agenda can be found at the following link: www.cityofalice.org/AgendaCenter

1. Open Meeting, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Citizen Comments and Public Announcements.
3. Information from City Manager, Coronavirus (Covid-19) updates.
4. Discuss, consider and act upon modifying, amending, extending and revising the resolution dated April 21, 2020 which extended the Mayor's Revised Declaration dated March 24, 2020, due to the continued emergency of the COVID-19 pandemic.
5. Adjourn and/or consider and act upon adjournment.

Agenda Items: All items on the agenda are for possible discussion and action. Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed on this Agenda. One agenda item will be discussed at a time, in the order determined by the Mayor, unless logic and practical considerations allow similar topics to be considered together for purposes of convenience and efficiency. Consent items are considered to be non-controversial and will be voted on in one motion unless a councilmember asks for separate discussion. Executive Sessions: The City Council for the City of Alice, Texas, reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above as authorized by Government Code Sections -- 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Private consultation with city attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation; a settlement offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this Chapter -- 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) -- 551.072, A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person - 551.073 (Deliberations Regarding Prospective Gift) -- A governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the state or the governmental body if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person -- 551.074 (Personnel Matters), This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee. The first section does not apply if the

officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing -- 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) - 551.087 (Economic Development) This chapter does not require a governmental body to conduct an open meeting: (1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations; or (2) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1). Accommodations: The City of Alice encourages compliance with the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) in the conduct of all public meetings. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who need additional accommodations are requested to contact the City Clerk at 361.668.7210, or cityclerk@cityofalice.org, two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Braille is not available. Certification:


AUDIENCE AND PRESENTER SOCIAL DISTANCING AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY AND PUBLIC HEARING INPUT AT PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL. To reduce the chance of COVID-19 transmission, public meetings will be held in a manner intended to separate, to the maximum practical extent, audience and presenters from personal contact with members of Community, City Staff, Mayor and Councilmembers. Public testimony and public hearing input for Public Comment and all items on the agenda at public meetings of the city council shall be provided in written format and presented to the City Secretary and/or designee prior to the start of each meeting of the City Council. This testimony and/or public input shall be in accordance with the City Secretary's instructions, which shall be posted on the City Secretary's outdoor public bulletin board at City Hall and on the City website and allow for electronic submission. The written public testimony shall be provided to members of the City Council prior to voting on measures for that meeting. Written testimony shall be limited in accordance with the City Secretary requirements and shall be placed into the record of each meeting. This written testimony shall serve as the required public testimony pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007 and shall constitute a public hearing for purposes of any public hearing requirement under law. The meeting may be held telephonically or via videoconference; and, if so conducted, the public may participate remotely by following the instructions of the City Secretary which would be posted on the City Secretary's outdoor public bulletin at City Hall and on the City website.

CERTIFICATE

I, Odilia Rodriguez, City Secretary, do hereby certify that a copy of the April 28, 2020 City Council agenda was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, www.cityofalice.org, in compliance with Chapter 551.045.

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Odilia Rodriguez, City Clerk

