

**ALICE CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSHOP AGENDA**

**CITY HALL
SECOND FLOOR
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**TUESDAY
1:00 P.M.
AUGUST 04, 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: 81459129747, or watch the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone: <https://zoom.us/s/81459129747> or <https://www.facebook.com/CityofAlice/> An electronic copy of the agenda can be found at the following link: www.cityofalice.org/AgendaCenter

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the City Council of the City of Alice will conduct a Public Hearing and Budget Workshop Meeting scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 located at City Hall, 500 East Main Street, Alice, Texas 78332 by telephone or video conference in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called “social distancing”) to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). There will be limited public access to the location described above.

1. Open Meeting, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Citizen Comments and Public Announcements.
3. Conduct a public hearing on Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Proposed Budget. [*Michael Esparza, City Manager*].
4. Review and discussion of the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Revised City of Alice Budget and 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Proposed City of Alice Proposed Budget. [*Michael Esparza, City Manager*].
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 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: I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the Agenda/Notice of Meeting was posted on the bulletin board of the City Hall of the City of Alice, Texas, and on the City of Alice internet website, said Agenda/Notice was posted on Friday, July 31, 2020 at 12:00 p.m., and remained so posted continuously for at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.



Odilia B. Rodriguez, City Clerk

