

CITY OF ALAMO HEIGHTS  
CITY COUNCIL  
March 26, 2018

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas was held at Council Chambers, located at 6116 Broadway, San Antonio, Texas, at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 26, 2018.

Present and composing a quorum were:

Mayor Bobby Rosenthal  
Mayor Pro Tempore Lawson Jessee  
Councilmember Wes Sharples  
Councilmember Fred Prassel  
Councilmember John Savage

Also attending were:

Fire Chief/Assistant City Manager Buddy Kuhn  
City Attorney Mike Brennan  
Assistant to the City Manager Marian V. Mendoza  
Finance Director Robert Galindo  
Community Development Services Department Director Jason Lutz  
Human Resources Manager Lori Harris  
City Secretary Jennifer Reyna  
Lieutenant Cindy Pruitt  
Public Works Director Pat Sullivan

Absent were:

Councilmember Lynda Billa Burke  
City Manager J. Mark Browne  
Chief of Police Rick Pruitt

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Mayor Bobby Rosenthal opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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*Item # 1      Approval of Minutes*

Mayor Rosenthal asked City Council for any revisions to the minutes of the March 12, 2018, Council Meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Fred Prassel to approve the minutes of March 12, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lawson Jessee and passed by unanimous vote.

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*Item # 2      Announcements*

Community Development Services Department Director Jason Lutz added a public service announcement inviting the public to Alamo Heights Presbyterian Church's Easter Egg Hunt scheduled for Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. The event is to begin at 10:00 a.m. until Noon at the church located at 6201 Broadway.

**a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Alamo Heights Unified Champions Schools 5K Run, April 7, 2018**

Mr. Lutz announced on Saturday, April 7, 2018, the Alamo Heights Unified Champions Schools will host their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 5K Run. The event will begin at 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The route was presented and the event will begin at the Alamo Heights Swimming Pool.

**b. Fiesta Medals**

Assistant to the City Manager Marian Mendoza presented the 2018 Fiesta Medal to Council and explained it is the 1927 National Register of Historic Trolley Stop that ran from 1878 to 1933. Next week, fiesta medals will be available to the residents.

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*Item # 3      Citizens to be heard concerning items not on the agenda*

There were no citizens that signed up to speak.

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Items for Individual Consideration

*Item # 4*      Mayor Rosenthal read the following caption.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2099**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ARTICLE VI, BY ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 16-108 PERTAINING TO EXCLUSIVE PARKING FOR AN ADJOINING BUSINESS**

Community Development Services Department Director Jason Lutz made a PowerPoint presentation that included background information for the new section 16-108.

Mr. Lutz stated the proposed addition to Chapter 16, Streets and Sidewalks, Article VI, Section 16-108 proposes designation of certain public parking spaces for use by individual businesses. He stated the parking designation can be for an indefinite

timeframe and terminated by Council anytime. Designation of parking spaces does not require a fee for the requested use and Council can impose any restrictions.

The proposed changes are only permitted for Business, Office, or Multi-family zoning districts. Mr. Lutz noted single-family dwellings and multi-family structures without a business or commercial component are not eligible for this parking agreement. He informed Council that the City is not responsible for enforcement and the landowner may tow on their business property. The applicant shall indemnify the City, officers, and employees against all loss, cost, liability or expenses arising from or relating to the authorization.

Councilmember Fred Prassel asked for supportive examples of the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Rosenthal stated it is a business friendly approach. He provided an example, if all the teachers at Cambridge Elementary parked at Local Coffee what would be the impact to the business to its customers. He commented that businesses located on Austin Highway and south of Broadway will be subject to Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) since they are owned by TxDOT.

Mayor Pro Tem Lawson Jessee asked the process.

Mr. Lutz responded to Mayor Pro Tem Jessee the process includes a presentation directly to Council.

Councilmember Wes Sharples asked questions regarding definitions of designated parking spaces and adjacent businesses. He inquired which streets are considered and if any of them include residential streets.

Mr. Lutz stated designated parking spaces will be different because the City is unique and each applicant's request is a case-by-case basis. He stated the definition of adjacent businesses is outlined in the Code of Ordinances. City Attorney Mike Brenan added the ordinance mentions adjoining which may be interpreted differently by individuals; however, emphasized the intent is same as adjacent to business. Mr. Lutz stated streets eligible for this are streets located in business or multi-office districts. Fire Chief/Assistant City Manager Buddy Kuhn stated exclusive parking will not be enforced on public right-of-way and commented the property owner is welcome to tow vehicles on the business' private property.

Councilmember Sharples expressed concern on the businesses that are located at intersecting streets that are adjacent to residential area.

A motion for approval was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jessee. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Prassel. The following Councilmembers voted in favor: Mayor Pro Tem Lawson Jessee, and Councilmembers Fred Prassel and John Savage.

Councilmember Wes Sharples voted in opposition of the ordinance. The motion carried and passed.

Item # 5 Mayor Rosenthal read the following caption.

**Resolution No. 2018R - 097**

**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas adopting the City of Alamo Heights Investment Policy as revised March 26, 2018**

Finance Director Robert Galindo made a PowerPoint presentation that included background information and proposed amendments to the investment policy.

Mr. Galindo briefly explained the Public Funds Investment Act (PFIA) which establishes requirements for local governments for managing investments. He stated three policy revisions were made related to the term of financial institutions to replace "savings and loans associations", a legislative change for \$1 net asset value per share, and another legislative change that mark-to-market daily must be stabilized at \$1. All proposed amendments are in compliance with the PFIA and subject to annual review. He stated City Manager Mark Browne and himself serve as the public investment officers. Mr. Galindo explained the investment policy included strategies to provide safety of principal, minimize risk to the City's portfolio, put money to work, and add yield but not risk to the portfolio.

A motion for approval was made by Councilmember Savage. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sharples and passed by unanimous vote.

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There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilmember Prassel to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Savage and passed by unanimous vote. Mayor Rosenthal adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

  
Jennifer Reyna  
City Secretary

  
Bobby Rosenthal  
Mayor