



**Regular City Council Meeting**  
Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 6:00 PM

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**Minutes**

The Aledo City Council convened on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 06:00 PM, in the Aledo Council Chambers | Aledo Municipal Complex, 200 Old Annetta Road, Aledo, Texas, for the purpose of a Regular Meeting, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, with the following members being present:

**Council Present**            Mayor Shane Davis  
                                    Councilmember / Mayor Pro Tem Shawna Ford  
                                    Councilmember Todd Covington  
                                    Councilmember Summer Jones

**Council Absent**            Councilmember Ben Clark

**Staff Present**              Candice Edmondson, City Manager  
                                    Staci L. King, City Secretary  
                                    Alicia K. Kreh, City Attorney

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Shane Davis called the meeting to order at 06:00 PM.

**2. Invocation**

Councilwoman Summer Jones led the invocation.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Shane Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

**4. Citizen Appearances**

No one came forward to address the Council.

**5. Presentations**

**a. Presentation of revised Design Standards Manual**

Dylan Swoboda, Kimley-Horn, presented the revised Design Standards Manual to the Council. The updated Manual reflects current engineering design practices for water, sanitary sewer, street, and storm drainage infrastructure and incorporates new construction details. The document has also been revised to align, where appropriate, with the City's Unified Development Code. Key updates to the Manual include:

- Establishes requirements for traffic impact studies, including a threshold analysis worksheet.
- Clarification of downstream storm drainage assessment and calculation requirements.

- Updates to water and sanitary sewer standards, including minimum pipe sizes and material requirements.
- Addition of a new section establishing easement requirements.

This item is for presentation and discussion only. Staff will revise the document as appropriate based on Council feedback and return a final version for adoption on April 2, 2026.

## 6. Consent Agenda

- a. **Approve February 19, 2026 Regular City Council Meeting minutes**
- b. **Accept Certification of Unopposed Candidates and approve Ordinance No. 2026-O-11 cancelling the May 2, 2026 General Election**

MOTION by Shawna Ford, second by Summer Jones, to approve as presented. MOTION PASSED by unanimous vote.

## 7. Items Requiring Public Hearing

- a. **PUBLIC HEARING regarding proposed amendments to Article 4, Signage, Table 1 Schedule for Permanent Signs, of the City of Aledo Unified Development Code (UDC) pertaining to the maximum area and number of placards allowed for Historic Decorative Pole Signs, and to establish criteria for approval of Specific Use Permit (SUP) for Monument Signs in the Downtown (DT) zoning district.**

Grant Fore, Senior Planner, Berkley Group, presented the item to Council. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on February 12, 2026, and voted unanimously to recommend approval of this proposed amendment.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing at 6:20. No one came forward to speak in favor of or opposition to the amendment. Mayor Davis closed the public hearing.

- b. **Consider approval of a Ordinance No. 2026-O-12 amending the City of Aledo Unified Development Code (UDC), Article 4 Signage, Table 1 Schedule for Permanent Signs, pertaining to the maximum area and number of placards allowed for Historic Decorative Pole Signs, and to establish criteria for approval of Specific Use Permit (SUP) for Monument Signs in the Downtown (DT) zoning district.**

MOTION by Shawna Ford, second by Summer Jones, to approve Ordinance No. 2026-O-12 amending the City of Aledo UDC as it pertains to signage. MOTION PASSED by unanimous vote.

- c. **PUBLIC HEARING regarding proposed amendments to Article 6, Definitions, of the City of Aledo Unified Development Code (UDC), to establish definitions of: Adult Store, Cash Advance Establishment, Pawn Shop and Vape/CBD Shop.**

Grant Fore, Senior Planner, Berkley Group, presented the item to Council. There have been ongoing discussions related to the following uses: Adult Store, Vape/CBD Shop, Cash Advance Establishment, and Pawn Shop. Previously, the uses were not clearly defined in the City's UDC. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on February 12, 2026, and voted unanimously to recommend approval of this proposed amendment.

Mayor Davis opened the public hearing at 6:26 p.m. No one came forward to speak in favor of or opposition to the proposed definitions. Mayor Davis closed the public hearing.

- d. **Consider approval of Ordinance No. 2026-O-13 amending the City of Aledo Unified Development Code (UDC), Article 6, Definitions, to establish definitions for Adult Store, Cash Advance Establishment, Pawn Shop and Vape/CBD Shop.**

MOTION by Shawna Ford, second by Summer Jones, to approve Ordinance No. 2026-O-13 amending the City of Aledo UDC as it pertains to definitions. MOTION PASSED by unanimous vote.

## 8. Regular Agenda

- a. **Consider approval of Ordinance No. 2026-O-14 amending Article III, "Boards and Commissions," of Chapter 2, "Administration," of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aledo, Texas, by creating a Library Board and providing for their term of offices, duties, and responsibilities**

Erika Cooper-Bateman presented the item to Council. This ordinance creates a Library Board that advises the City Council on library planning, programming, policies, and long-term needs. Working alongside the Library Director, the Board helps guide strategic, operational, and community-focused goals for the library, with Council retaining all final decision-making authority.

Councilwoman Shawna Ford recommended that board members be library patrons for at least one year; Councilman Todd Covington raised concerns over the board's duties and member composition.

MOTION by Shawna Ford, second by Todd Covington, to approve Ordinance No. 2026-O-14 creating a Library Advisory Board with the following amendments:

- Members must be current library card holders.
- A minimum of four regular members must be City of Aledo residents.
- One member may be a non-resident if they currently have a child enrolled and attending Aledo ISD.
- One alternate member may be a non-resident if they currently have a child enrolled and attending Aledo ISD.

MOTION PASSED by unanimous vote.

- b. **Discuss proposed Park and Facility Naming Policy**

Candice Edmondson, City Manager, presented the proposed policy to Council. Ms. Edmondson requested that Council contact her with any concerns or additions prior to the April Council Meeting, at which time the policy would be brought back to Council for approval. No action taken.

## 9. Staff Presentations

There were no staff presentations.

## 10. Executive Session

**In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the City Council may convene in executive session to deliberate regarding the following matters:**

- a. **Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney.**To conduct a private consultation with the City Attorney on any legally posted agenda item, when the City Council seeks the advice of its attorney about 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 the provisions of Chapter 551, to include:

- i. Dean Ranch Development Conversation
  - ii. Grand Prairie v. State
  - iii. Aledo and Fort Worth vs. Willow Park
- b. Section 551.087 – Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations. The City Council may convene in executive session to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the City has received from a business prospect that the City seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City and with which the City is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described above, including the following items:
- i. Dean Ranch Development Conversation
  - ii. Downtown Development

Mayor Davis recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 7:14 p.m.

**11. Adjourn Executive Session and Reconvene Into Open Session**

Mayor Davis called the meeting back to regular session at 7:35 p.m.

**12. Action Taken on Items Discussed in Executive Session, if Necessary**

No action was taken.

**13. Mayor and Councilmember Comments**

**14. City Manager Comments**

**15. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Staci L. King, City Secretary



Shane Davis, Mayor