

**CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE**

**MINUTES**

**City Council and Planning & Zoning  
Commission Joint Work Session Meeting**

Van Alstyne Community Center  
262 N. Preston Ave

**JANUARY 8, 2018**

**6:30 P.M.**

City Council Members present: Mayor Larry Cooper, Brad Clough, Teddie Ann Salmon, Robert Jaska, Lee Thomas and Suzon Crowell.

Planning and Zoning Commission present: Jim Atchison, Herb Reed, Donald Hash, Paul Nobles and Tiffany Clum.

Staff present: Jennifer Gould and Steve White.

**AGENDA**

1. Call to order. *Mayor Cooper called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30pm. Jim Atchison called the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting to order at 6:30pm.*
2. Invocation. *Recited by Mayor Cooper.*
3. Pledges of Allegiance. *US and Texas.*
4. Hear presentation from the Van Alstyne Economic Development Corporation regarding a conceptual future vision for Van Alstyne. *David Hips provided a visual presentation of what neighboring communities have done to attract business and residents to their communities. Mr. Hips detailed the downtown and branding found in the cities of McKinney, Frisco, Sherman and Aubrey in comparison to Van Alstyne. Logos for said communities were discussed as they are generally similar while the organizations, specifically the Independent School District, City, Community Development Corporation, Economic Development Corporation and Chamber of Commerce are in Van Alstyne differ from each other. The entrance to Van Alstyne was also discussed.*
5. Gateway Planning's Scott Polikov and Kelsey Berry conduct a work session to discuss the Downtown Master Plan Update as follows:
  - a) Overview of Initial Engagement and Deliverables
  - b) Work to Date
  - c) Council and Planning Commission's Vision for Downtown and Industrial Park
  - d) Discussion regarding how to proceed?
  - e) Long-range Land Use Plan and how Downtown/Industrial Park plan fits
  - f) Discussion on ETJ transition

*Scott Polikov and Kelsey Berry identified what Gateway Planning was originally called to do, what has been done thus far and the current scope of work identifying that the project needs to be prioritized and a vision should be agreed upon. Discussion was held regarding roadways and*

*corridors for travel to, from and through the city. Mr. Polikov advised that the next step for Gateway Planning will be to draft a consideration and solidify how to move forward. Len McManus advised of the differing City and County standards as relates to extraterritorial jurisdiction properties.*

6. *Adjournment. Brad Clough made a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting at 9:38pm. Teddie Ann Salmon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Paul Nobles made a motion to adjourn the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting at 9:38pm. Herb Reed seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.*

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Teddie Ann Salmon, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Gould, City Clerk