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Dear Ms. Chenault,

My name is Isaac Aznoe. I am a lifelong Alpine resident and a candidate for Mayor of Alpine. I am submitting the following written public comment for the July 7, 2026 Town Council meeting.

I appreciate the Town making the agenda packet available and I would like to comment on several items.

1. Action Item 7.a — Proposed amendments to Town Council meeting rules

I support having clear meeting rules, but I ask the Council to make sure any changes improve public understanding and participation rather than narrowing it.

Before adopting updated rules, I would like the Town to clearly explain what is changing from the current rules, why each change is needed, and how the changes affect public comment, written comment, agenda adoption, and a citizen's ability to ask that a consent-agenda item be removed for discussion.

My request is simple: keep the process orderly, but do not make it harder for regular residents to understand what is happening or to be heard. Public comment should remain meaningful, written comments should remain part of the record, and residents should know how to raise concerns before a vote happens.

2. Consent Item 5.c — Amendment to the Securities Custodial Agreement / ratification of signatures

The explanation in the packet says the Town amended its banking arrangement so the required overnight operating-account balance changes from \$400,000 to \$0, allowing funds to earn interest and avoiding a possible \$1,000 monthly fee. On the surface, that sounds like a practical financial improvement.

My concern is process. The packet says the document was signed before the next regular Council meeting because of timing and fee-avoidance concerns, and the Council is now being asked to ratify those signatures.

If pre-signing was necessary, I ask that the Town make the timeline clear on the record: who signed, when it was signed, why it could not wait for Council approval, what authority was relied on, and whether any public funds were moved before Council ratification. Even when the substance of a decision is reasonable, the public should be able to understand the process.

3. Action Item 7.c — Alpine Meadows Letter Agreements

I appreciate the Town addressing sewer lateral issues in Alpine Meadows. Sewer infrastructure is exactly the kind of thing Alpine needs to be honest and proactive about.

Before approval, I ask the Council to make clear for the public:

- How many properties are affected;
- What types of defects or conditions were found;
- Whether any costs fall on homeowners;

- Whether the Town, developer, contractor, or property owner is responsible for each category of issue;
- Whether similar conditions could exist in other developments; and
- How these agreements protect both the homeowner and the Town long term.

Residents should not have to guess who is responsible when sewer-line problems are discovered.

4. Action Item 7.d — Boardwalk II Lot 18 Annexation, 2nd Reading

For any annexation, including Boardwalk II Lot 18, I ask the Council to keep the same basic standard: annexation should benefit Alpine as a whole, not just the applicant.

Before moving annexations forward, the public should be able to see the road, water, sewer, emergency-access, fiscal, and neighborhood impacts clearly. If an annexation creates long-term obligations for the Town, those obligations should be visible before the vote, not after.

5. Overall communication and agenda clarity

One of my biggest concerns continues to be public communication. I appreciate that the Town has agendas, email notices, and text notifications. Those are good tools. But the information still needs to be earlier, clearer, and easier for regular residents to follow.

I would like to see:

- Draft agendas posted earlier when possible;
- Clear redlines or summaries when policies or rules are being changed;
- Public questions and staff responses tied to the agenda item they relate to;
- Clear explanations when documents are signed before Council ratification; and
- Agenda packets that make it easy to see what is being proposed, who benefits, what it costs, and what risks or obligations the Town is taking on.

Alpine residents should not have to dig through scattered documents to understand what their government is about to do. Better communication builds trust, even when people disagree on the final decision.

Thank you for including this written comment in the record.

Respectfully,

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