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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Christian Price
Vice-Mayor Marvin L. Brown
Councilmember Peggy J. Chapados
Councilmember Bridger Kimball
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Nancy Smith
Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council regular meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Reverend Arnold Jackson, from Mount Moriah Community Church gave the invocation.

Councilmember Kimball led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Marvin L. Brown, Councilmember Peggy Chapados, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Nancy Smith and Councilmember Henry Wade

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

3.1 [PRES 15-23](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation regarding this year's Excellence Awards.

City Manager Rose invited Human Resources Director, Kathleen Haggerty to present.

Mrs. Haggerty stated that 19 individuals were nominated this year for the Employee Excellence Awards. She explained that employees can be nominated by their peers, supervisors, department directors, and councilmembers. She listed the nominees in the Non-Management Category: Brenda Campbell, Ariana Cota, Robert Dolson, Ruben Garcia, Rodolfo Lopez, David Maestas, Rebecca Molus, and Darren Pawlak. She announced the winner, Saira Flores. She read the nomination for Mrs. Flores and presented her with an excellence award and a check. Next, she listed the nominees for the Mid-Management Category: Adriana Carpio, John Garton, Michael Riggs, and the winner Rocky Brown. She read Mr. Brown's nomination and presented him with an excellence award and a check. Next, she listed the nominees on the Public Safety Category: Christopher Evans, Anthony Luna, Brad Pitassi, Daniel Rauch, Aaron Ray and the winner, Colt Homan. She read Officer's Homan nomination and presented him with an excellence award and a check. The award recipients posed for pictures with the Mayor and Council.

The Presentation was heard.

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price reported participating in the F.O.R Maricopa backpack give away. He thanked everyone who participated. Next, he stated that Web and Media Services Manager, Ruben Garcia created a video clip promoting the upcoming special census. The video was played for the audience.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Rose commended Assistant to the City Manager, Jennifer Brown and Ruben Garcia for the video. Next, he invited Interim Economic Development Director Denyse Airheart to introduce her new staff member. Mrs. Airheart introduced new Economic Development Management Analyst, David Noble. Mr. Noble gave a brief background of his professional experience.

6. Call to the Public

Ford Willman, Maricopa Amateur Radio Association President (call sign N5FW), approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He stated that the Copa Fest would take place on October 17, 2015 at Ultra-Star starting at 9 a.m. He stated the event would be free and open for all families. He gave information on the activities planned and invited everyone to attend. In conclusion, he spoke in opposition of reducing the speed limit on Honeycutt Road.

Merry Grace approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. She stated that Maricopa High School's Homecoming week would start on October 19th. She stated the first planning meeting would be on Monday, August 10 at 4:30 p.m. at the Maricopa High School Library. She stated that the Tortosa HOA would be holding their 2nd annual homecoming kick-off laser tag contest on October 17th at Ultra-Star at 11:30 a.m. She invited everyone to attend the events.

Bob Howard, resident of the Tortosa subdivision, approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He spoke in opposition of reducing the speed limit in Honeycutt Road. He expressed concerns that the lowered speed limit would decrease home values due to the distance and travel time to shopping centers.

Joshua Babb approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He spoke in opposition of reducing the speed limit in Honeycutt Road. He expressed concerns that Honeycutt Road is too narrow from White & Parker Road to the Tortosa subdivision. He stated that it is not safe for bicyclist unless it is widened. He suggested delaying any changes until a public hearing can take place.

Councilmember Wade approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He gave information on the Copa History Hunt event. He stated the event will be part of the 2016 Stagecoach Days and acknowledged the people involved in putting together the event: Paul Shirk, Eddie Rodriguez, Evan Grace, and Katanyna Dygowski.

Evan Grace approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He gave further details on the Copa History Hunt. He stated it would be a digital scavenger hunt and it would begin and end at the large group ramada at Copper Sky.

Paul Shirk, with the Maricopa Historical Society, approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He gave further details on the Copa History Hunt. He stated there will be 3 levels of clues: easy, medium, and difficult. He stated

participants would have to solve the clues to identify places or other items around Maricopa. He added that there would be cash prizes, and emphasized that it is not a photo contest.

Councilmember Wade stated that there would be 3 participation levels: \$10 for individuals, \$15 for pairs, and \$25 for teams of 3 to 6 people. He stated that at least one individual in each level must present proof of a valid drivers license. He stated in-person registration would take place Saturday, October 10 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Copper Sky. He continued by stating that the history hunt would run from Saturday, October 10 thru Thursday, October 15 at 5 p.m. He added that the deadline for submitting digital images electronically, to copahistoryhunt@gmail, would also be on Thursday, October 15 at 5 p.m. He stated that no more than 20 images could be submitted for scoring.

Councilmember Chapados approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. She gave information on the Copa History Hunt bonus round that would take place at Copper Sky on Saturday, October 17 from 9 a.m. thru 12 p.m. She stated the bonus round would give participants an opportunity to earn bonus points towards their overall totals. She stated the event would conclude with the announcement of the winners and the cash price awards. She invited everyone to participate.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 15-90](#) Approval of Minutes from the July 21, 2015 City Council Work Session.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Brown, seconded by Councilmember Kimball, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 7.2 [MIN 15-91](#) Approval of Minutes from the July 21, 2015 City Council Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Brown, seconded by Councilmember Kimball, that this Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

9. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Henry Wade, seconded by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- 9.1 [BDGT 15-07](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a budgetary transfer in the amount not to exceed \$13,000 from Grant Fund, Library, Technical (22033135-53340) to Library Impact Fee Fund, Library, Furniture and Fixtures (32133135-67743) to complete the Library shelving project. Discussion and Action.

This Budgetary Transfer was Approved.

- 9.2 [CON 15-39](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the purchase and sales agreement for Long-Term Storage Credits from Gila River Water Storage, LLC for the irrigation of the Copper Sky Recreation Complex in an amount not to exceed \$1,528,000. Funding for the delivery of the first year water storage credits of 1,500 acre-feet of water in the amount of \$520,500 will be paid from Copper Sky Fund, Park Maintenance, Water/Sewerage (23033132-54411). Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.3 [GRA 15-06](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to provide consent to submit a grant application to the Maricopa Association of Governments Congestion Mitigation Air Quality program in an amount up to \$500,000 for fiber optic infrastructure for the purpose of advancing Intelligent Transportation System improvements. There is a 5.7% local match requirement with this grant application, not to exceed \$28,500, which will be taken from the Highway User Revenue Fund, Public Works, Streets Capital Projects, (20055151-67750.) Consent to submit authorizes the City Manager to sign all documents for the application process. Discussion and Action.

This Consent to Apply for Grant was Approved.

- 9.4 [RES 15-44](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, authorizing City staff to pursue a strategic plan for a fiber optic network used for municipal services and supporting the installation of fiber conduit during City projects. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 9.5 [CON 15-40](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to Core Engineering Group, PLLC for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.6 [CON 15-41](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to Sunrise Engineering for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.7 [CON 15-42](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to Dibble Engineering for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.8 [CON 15-43](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to Ritoch-Powell & Associates for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.9 [CON 15-44](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to J2 Engineering and Environmental Design LLC for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.10 [CON 15-45](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, to Entellus, Inc. for on-call civil engineering services for multiple future projects, both known and to be determined. Based on the various projects that will require these services, funding sources and specific line items will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.11 [BDGT 15-09](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a budgetary transfer for the reimbursement to VP John Wayne Parkway 21, LLC ("Vintage") for the design and development for public infrastructure to northbound SR347 in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 from Transportation Impact Fee, Streets Projects Capital, SR347 Widening Smith-Enke Cobblestone Farm (32444146-67750-35037) to Grants Fund, Technical (22011616-53340). Discussion and Action.

This Budgetary Transfer was Approved.

- 9.12 [CON 15-46](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving an updated agreement between the City of Maricopa and the Maricopa Economic Development Alliance in an amount not to exceed \$119,500. \$44,500 will be funded from General Fund, Non-Departmental, Program Awards (10010000-53380) and \$75,000 will be funded from General CIP Fund, Economic Development, Improvements Other Than Buildings (35011616-67730-31004). Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

10. Regular Agenda

- 10.1 [PRES 15-25](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation of the draft final Area Transportation Plan Phase I documents by Dan Marum, Wilson & Company, consultant for the study. Discussion Only.

Transportation Planner David Maestas stated that Area Transportation Plan, Phase I (which comprised of the Master Transportation Plan and the Regional Connectivity Plan) is almost concluded. He stated that they have kept stakeholders actively involved throughout the process in an effort to remain transparent. He stated the

timing worked perfectly with the General Plan and then added that they used MAG (Maricopa Association of Government's) modeling during the process. He thanked Joel Saurey and other members of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) for their time and dedication. Next, he introduced Dan Marrum with Wilson and Company.

Mr. Marum provided an overview of the Transportation Mater Plan (TMP) including the vision and goals of each section. He discussed the 2020, 2030 and 2040 road improvement programs. He discussed the complete streets element and reviewed the recommendations for 2020, 2030 and 2040. He detailed the transit priorities for 2020, 2030 and 2040 followed by Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) project lists. He discussed possible initial implementation costs, socioeconomic data, and build-out network modifications. Next, he provided an overview of the Regional Connectivity Plan (RCP). He discussed the RCP recommended build-out network. He added that a note was added per the developer forums which states the illustrated alignment may conflict with current development agreements. He discussed comparisons to the Hidden Valley Framework Study Network. He discussed stakeholder feedback received on the TMP and RCP and detailed the next steps in the process. He concluded by opening the floor for questions or comments.

Mayor Price emphasized the importance of transportation when it pertains to planning for future growth and elaborated. He stated that his main concerns are the areas that conflict with current development agreements, but he explained that it is a living document and it can be revised.

Mr. Marum concurred and elaborated on the notes added to address the conflicts.

Councilmember Smith stated that she commutes on the State Route 347 daily and inquired about MAG's interest in other corridors. Mr. Marum clarified that MAG recognizes the importance of SR 347 and that they are aware it is a lifeline to the community. He stated they want a multifaceted approach to focusing on SR 347 while lending political support to the challenges of the Sonoran Valley Parkway and elaborated. Discussion ensued.

City Manager Rose stated that the first step would be to identify the possibilities for SR 347, and then explore which option would be more feasible.

The Presentation was heard.

10.2 [MISC 15-36](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on the establishment of a new classification, titled Payroll Specialist and placement of the new classification in the salary range with a minimum annual salary of \$42,771 and a maximum of \$58,961. Position number 6016002, currently classified as a Payroll / Accounts Payable Clerk, will be reclassified to the newly established classification. Discussion and Action.

Human Resources Director, Kathleen Haggerty presented. She stated that agenda items 10.2 and 10.3 are a result of a class study. She stated the current classification did not recognize the complexity of the payroll process and the salary range was below market value by at least 7%. She recommended the establishment of a new classification to put the position in to the market.

Councilmember Wade asked if the incumbent currently in the position is doing all the duties described in the new classification. Mrs. Haggerty responded yes.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kimball, seconded by Councilmember Manfredi, that this Miscellaneous Item be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 10.3 [MISC 15-37](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on the reclassification of Street Maintenance Superintendent to Street Maintenance Supervisor and placement of the new classification in the salary range with a minimum annual salary of \$63,049 and a maximum of \$86,914. Vacant position number 7034001, currently classified as a Street Maintenance Superintendent, will be reclassified to the newly established classification. Discussion and Action.

Human Resources Director, Kathleen Haggerty presented. She explained the recommendation to downgrade the Street Superintendent position to Street Maintenance Supervisors would mirror the market. She stated that there were concerns that the internal equity was out of alignment and the reclassification would make the position and salary range comparable to classifications in the recommended salary range.

Councilmember Chapados inquired about the recruitment status. Mrs. Haggerty responded the position has not been filled and confirmed there is an internal applicant.

Mayor Price inquired if the reclassification would reduce competitiveness for applicants. Mrs. Haggerty responded that all the requirements need to be aligned with the position description in order for potential candidates who are currently maintenance supervisors not to take themselves out of the running.

Councilmember Wade inquired about education requirements. Mrs. Haggerty responded and noted that the salary study found that the current classification exceeded the local market.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kimball, seconded by Councilmember Chapados, that this Miscellaneous Item be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 10.4 [MISC 15-34](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to cancel or reschedule the August 18, 2015 City Council regular and work session meetings. Discussion and Action.

Mayor Price stated that the annual Arizona League of Cities and Town's Conference would take place during this week and most members of the council would be in attendance. Concensus was to cancel the meetings.

A motion was made by Councilmember Chapados, seconded by Councilmember Kimball, that this Miscellaneous Item be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. Executive Session

There was no executive session held.

- 11.1 **ES 15-03** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City's attorney to consider its position and instruct representatives regarding the pending claims and lawsuits filed against the City pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4).

12. Adjournment

The City Council regular meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Certification of Minutes

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 4th day of August, 2015. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2015.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk