



# City of Maricopa

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Special Meeting

*Mayor Nancy Smith*  
*Vice-Mayor Rich Vitiello*  
*Councilmember Eric Goettl*  
*Councilmember Amber Liermann*  
*Councilmember Bob Marsh*  
*Councilmember Vincent Manfredi*  
*Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.*

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Wednesday, May 31, 2023

4:00 PM

Executive Conference Room

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1. **Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:18 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present,** 5 - Mayor Smith, Vice Mayor Vitiello, Councilmember Goettl, Councilmember Manfredi, and Councilmember Marsh  
**Excused,** 2 - Councilmember Liermann, and Councilmember Wade

3. **Agenda Items**

3.1 **SP 23-03**

The Mayor and Council shall meet with the City's Washington, DC based lobbying team, Nexxus Consulting, to discuss matters related to federal legislation and agencies.

*Bob Holmes and Ana Ma with Nexxus Consulting gave an update on federal legislation that could possibly affect Maricopa. Mr. Holmes discussed projects and support for the pedestrian bridge, the iconic park. He reported having lunch with Congressman Ciscomani. He discussed earmarks and elaborated. He discussed proposed bills and stated if any of the projects did not get in, they could come back to ask Councilmembers to lobby in fall. He opened the floor for questions. He stated the Box Culvert was on both bills. He discussed possible funding for State Route (SR) 347 and related bills. He commended Intergovernmental Affairs Director, Katy Proctor for her experience with transportation and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT).*

*Mayor Smith reported on a Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) meeting and elaborated on the discussion on SR 347. She stated the creation of a coalition was discussed and elaborated on federal fundings. Mayor Smith highlighted the importance of the relationship with the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC). Mr. Holmes discussed GRIC could get money from the Indian Travel Roads funds and elaborated. Mr. Holmes discussed the Senate race. Councilmember Manfredi asked about the Lower Santa Cruz. Mr. Holmes elaborated. He thanked the Mayor and Council traveling to D.C.*

**This presentation was heard.**

4. **Adjournment**

This meeting was Adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

**Certification of Minutes**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the special meeting of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 31st day of May, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 20th day of June, 2023.

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**Vanessa Bueras**  
City Clerk