



# City of Maricopa

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## Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Work Session

**Mayor Christian Price**  
**Vice-Mayor Marvin L. Brown**  
**Councilmember Peggy J. Chapados**  
**Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse**  
**Councilmember Vincent Manfredi**  
**Councilmember Nancy Smith**  
**Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.**

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Tuesday, January 17, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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**1. Call to Order**

*The City Council Work Session was called to order at 6:06 p.m.*

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:** 7 - Councilmember Peggy J. Chapados, Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Henry Wade, Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Marvin L. Brown, Councilmember Nancy Smith Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse

**3. Agenda Items**

**3.1 [WS 17-01](#)**

The Mayor and City Council shall review items on the Regular City Council meeting agenda.

*There were no questions or concerns.*

**3.2 [WS 17-02](#)**

The Mayor and City Council shall hear reports on meeting and/or conferences attended by Council.

*Councilmember Manfredi reported on last week's Legislative Diner. He stated Representatives Steve Smith and Vince Leach were present. He reported on the discussion and stated it was a great opportunity. Next, he reported attending the MLK (Martin Luther King Jr.) breakfast and thanked Councilmember Wade and Vice Mayor Brown the invitation.*

*Councilmember Chapados reported that on Wednesday 11th, she watched the new MUSD (Maricopa Unified School District) school board members get sworn in. Next, she reported attending the Coffee with the Chief on January 14th. She added the meeting was live-streamed for the first time ever and commended the effort and the shared information. She encouraged participation and stated the Coffee with the Chief was held the second Saturday of the month from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Copper Sky Police Sub-Station.*

*Councilmember Wade reported on the 2nd annual MLK Brunch event which included an interfaith prayer with representatives from The Church of Celebration, Mount Moriah, United Fellowship and the Islamic community. He stated the event was well attended and reported on the activities. He added he looked forward to the 3rd annual event. Next, he stated he was unable to attend the Legislative Diner but*

*listened-in telephonically.*

*Councilmember Manfredi acknowledged Morgan, a member of the Youth Council.*

- 3.3**      **WSPRES 17-03**      The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation on proposed Text Amendment to Zoning Code, Article 412 Telecommunication Facilities.

*Development Services Director, Martin Scribner opened the presentation on the proposed Text Amendment to Zoning Code, Article 412 Telecommunication Facilities.*

*Planner, Ryan Wozniak gave a PowerPoint on the Text Amendments. He explained that the General Plan indicates that staff should “update and consistently enforce the community’s development codes, including zoning, subdivision, and related regulations.” He further elaborated that the Zoning Code allows the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Commission to initiate Text Amendments and the proposed amendments were presented to the commission on July 25, 2016. He added that the commission supported staff’s amendment recommendations. He detailed the basis for staff assessment including that there were 14 unique applications for cell tower upgrades and that administering Article 412 presented challenges of “substantial change”, definitions and processes. He discussed the goals of the amendment including: Reinforcing Section 412.01 Purpose and directives therein: Minimizing visual effects, encourage co-location, protect against the adverse impact on the community and enhance the ability for services to be provided quickly, effectively and efficiently. He added that they would also reformat or revise language (or links) of provisions in effort to improve clarity. He detailed each purpose and reiterated that the P&Z Commission voted 7-0 in favor of the amendments. He discussed the City Council scheduled action including the Public Hearing scheduled during the regular agenda. He invited questions from council.*

*Councilmember Manfredi inquired about cable companies and whether new wi-fi technology would be included in the amendments. Mr. Wozniak elaborated on what the amendments specified.*

*Councilwoman Gusse asked if the Amendments expedited the process and if it made it easier for the public. Mr. Wozniak responded that the intent was to clarify the process and elaborated. Councilwoman Gusse inquired about the administrative process of adding to an existing tower. Mr. Wozniak elaborated that it would still need to go through the process based on the scale of the modification.*

**The Presentation was heard.**

- 3.4**      **WSPRES 17-04**      The Mayor and City Council shall hear recommendations on updating the Non-Profit Scholarship Match Program and provide direction for the Non-Profit Scholarship Match Program for FY16-17. Discussion and Direction.

*Grants Coordinator, TJ Hansell gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Non-Profit Scholarship Match Program for FY (Fiscal Year) 16-17. He stated the program was intended to provide matching funds to local non-profits to increase the size or number of scholarships awarded to local students. He stated last year two organizations came forward, the Maricopa Chamber of Commerce and the Friends of the Library. He stated that the Non-Profit Evaluation Committee made recommendations after evaluating the program. He stated the first recommendation was to Register Non-Profits in order to increase awareness of their services and improve communication. He stated that non-profits could be added to eCivis, get notifications of future grant opportunities and have better communication by registering. He stated the next recommendations were to make changes to the Request for Proposal (RFP) to increase the number of applicants and streamline the application. He stated the last recommendation was to make the scoring and evaluation easier. He detailed the*

recommendation to register non-profits by requiring that they fill out business license applications. He noted that currently the code exempts non-profits from registering and the recommendation would require changing the code. Next, he discussed the recommended changes to the RFP including, requiring business licenses (once that was approved), requiring a Letter of Commitment, and updating language for reports of the way funds were used. Next, he stated the committee recommended that all graduating high school students that lived within MUSD (Maricopa Unified School District) boundaries be eligible and to require community service. He explained that they recommended that non-profits cannot mandate a program of study and must be used for secondary/higher education opportunities beyond high school. He detailed the recommended changes to the application including removing the Proof of Availability section and adding the anticipated number of scholarships, the anticipated number of scholarships utilizing City match funds and the anticipated size of the scholarship. He added that they also recommended updating language to include IRS 501(c) Letter and an updated list of Board of Directors. He stated that they recommended adding a Letter of Commitment from Organization and removing the Letter of Agreement. He stated that they removed some items from the Scoring/Evaluation such as the Organization Eligibility and the Nature of Scholarship which would be done upfront by the Grant Coordinator for the City. He stated they removed questions 1, 5, and 7 from the application and elaborated on the reasoning. He concluded the scoring would be based on 25 points per questions for a total of 100 points. He reiterated that the recommendations eliminated redundant questions and eased the process to review each application. He invited questions from Council.

Councilmember Smith thanked Mr. Hansell for the information and supported including all students living within MUSD boundaries. She inquired whether the non-profit organizations were able to make their requirements stricter resulting in the potential elimination of students from Ahwatukee schools. Mr. Hansell elaborated that the applications were reviewed, but they try not to restrict the organization's scholarship programs. Councilmember Smith stated all students that live within the MUSD boundaries should be open to receiving these funds. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Smith reiterated that she would not like to restrict Maricopa students who attend school outside of the boundary.

Councilmember Manfredi stated that it seemed that by trying to simplify the process, it was made more complicated. He stated that he believed that 501(c) organizations had the best interests for students and that they should be able to make the decision of who the scholarship goes to as long as it was fair and it went to a student from Maricopa. He stated that not a lot of organizations were participating and tighter restrictions would not help. He stated that community service was already a graduation requirement.

Councilmember Chapados asked for clarification that the scholarship matches would be available to schools, and 501(c) 3 non-profit organizations to potentially include home-schooled students. Mr. Hansell clarified that it would be available to all 501(c) organizations. Councilmember Chapados supported requiring registration because it would be a great informational database. She inquired about the community services requirement. Mr. Hansell clarified on the community service requirement. Councilmember Chapados asked who the funding would go to once the scholarship was awarded. Mr. Hansell responded that it would go to the non-profit and the non-profit would send it to the school of choice. Councilmember Chapados stated that the evaluation could be an administrative process because it was just a match. She inquired if there would be any consequences from Council suspending the Non-Profit Evaluation Committee. Mr. Hansell responded that there would be no issue with disbanding the committee however Council would have to decide how to handle request over \$10,000 and how to prioritize request. Councilmember

*Chapados stated that in the past, the committee made a recommendation and Council made the final decision and elaborated that committee members could not participate on other committees. Discussion ensued.*

*Councilwoman Gusse stated she reached out to the Cesar Chavez Foundation and their scholarship specified students had to attend school within Pinal County. She inquired when the Chamber of Commerce was contacted about the match program and how much time they were given to respond. Mr. Hansell elaborated. Discussion ensued regarding restricting funds to students who live within the MUSD boundary. Mr. Hansell clarified the recommended changes were to have non-profit organizations register and instead of a Letter of Agreements, organizations must submit a Letter of Commitment. Councilmember Manfredi asked if 501(c) organizations were invited in the discussion process. Mr. Hansell responded that they were not.*

*Mayor Price asked Mr. Hansell to elaborate on the claw-back provisions. Mr. Hansell stated that the language does not address claw-back provisions and elaborated. Mayor Price asked what the reporting would entail. Mr. Hansell responded that the report asked who the recipient was and proof that the check was cut. Mayor Price supported opening it to all students from Maricopa and elaborated. He stated that as long as the business license fee was waived he had no problem with required registration. He supported the suspension of the committee to free the members to participate in other committees. A brief discussion ensued.*

**The Presentation was heard.**

#### **4. Executive Session**

- 4.1 ES 17-01** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City Attorney and designated representatives of the City in order to discuss potential changes to the Code of Ethics and for legal advice regarding same, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

#### **5. Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, seconded by Councilmember Henry Wade, to Adjourn at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Certification of Minutes**

**I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the work session of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 17th day of January, 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.**

**Dated this 7th day of February, 2017.**

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**Vanessa Bueras**  
**City Clerk**