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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Christian Price
Vice-Mayor Edward Farrell
Councilmember Marvin L. Brown
Councilmember Peggy J. Chapados
Councilmember Dan Frank
Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse
Councilmember Bridger Kimball

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

They City Council regular meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Pastor Ja'Meen Oliver from the Jehovah Shammah Apostolic Faith Church gave the invocation.

Mayor Price led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Edward Farrell, Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Councilmember Peggy Chapados and Committee Member Dan Frank

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price welcomed Councilmember Dan Frank. Next, he reported attending the American Legion Baseball start up last weekend along with the Ak-Chin Chairman, Councilwoman Gusse, the head of the State Veteran Affairs and several others. He also reported attending the Rotary's Interact Club chartering event, and noted it was the first time it took place in Maricopa. He congratulated the Rotary Club for their coordination of the event along with MUSD and the high school. Subsequently, he reported advocating the City of Maricopa to 300 business leaders and CEO's at a Valley Partnership meeting.

Councilwoman Gusse announced the Let's Move Program will be kicking off and gave a brief background on the program. She stated a guest would give further details.

Mayor Price gave an update on the day's power outage and concluded his report.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Gregory Rose described the extensive recruitment process for the Community Services Director position and introduced Mrs. Kristie Riester as the new Community Services Director.

Mrs. Riester thanked Mr. Rose for the introduction. She stated she is excited and is grateful for the opportunity and noted she is a Maricopa resident. Next, she introduced the new Special Events and Marketing Manager Niesha Whitman. She gave a brief background on Mrs. Whitman and invited her to the dais.

Mrs. Whitman thanked the Mayor and Council and greeted the public. Next, she acknowledged the sponsors of the Salsa Festival: State Farm Insurance, Perfect Pawn & Jewelry, Native New Yorker, Orbitel Communications, Frito Lay, and Scott Bartle with InMaricopa. On behalf of the city, she thanked them for their support.

6. Call to the Public

Lee Feiles approached the podium and gave details on the Let's Move program. He stated the program will start on June 9th and thru July 17, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday at Copper Sky Regional Park. He stated it is a great opportunity for children ages 5 to 16 years. He added there will be a kick off meeting at 6 p.m. on June 5th at Copper Sky for parents to have the opportunity to meet some of the providers. He noted it is free and directed anyone with questions to email him or Councilwoman Gusse.

Tom Baxter approached the podium and provided an update of the Maricopa Center of Entrepreneurship (MCE). He announced that NACET CEO Russ Yelton resigned but committed to remain active in MCE as an advisory board member. He introduced the interim CEO, Annette Zinky. He thanked Councilmember Chapados for participating as a judge in their 3D printer contest. He noted that MCE has awarded 2 summer internship to Maricopa High School students who have been instructed to provide a presentation and workshop on how to create a 3D printer. He gave details on the intent of the workshop and stated that other municipalities have expressed interest. He introduced his latest client, the CEO of Ketalog Inc., Kehinde Ogunjobi.

Mr. Ogunjobi stated MCE has been instrumental in the success of his business and elaborated.

Henry Wade approached the podium stated that in a previous election he and other candidates agreed to be respectful to each other. He challenged current candidates to pledge to take the same positive approach.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 **MIN 14-39** Approval of Minutes from the May 20, 2014 City Council Work Session.

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

- 7.2 **MIN 14-40** Approval of Minutes from the May 20, 2014 City Council Regular meeting.

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

8. Public Hearings

9. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, seconded by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, to Adopt the Consent Agenda . The motion carried.

- 9.1 PUR 14-07** The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the purchase of twenty (20) dual purpose trash and recycling receptacles for use at the Copper Sky Recreation Complex in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. The funds for this purchase will be from Copper Sky Recreation Fund, Park Maintenance, Repairs and Maintenance (23033132-54430). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

- 9.2 MISC 14-40** The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request by the Purchasing Manager to approve expenditures exceeding \$25,000 and previously approved limits for Fiscal Year 2014 pursuant to the City Purchasing Code, Article IV, Section 3-213(e) "Cumulative Annual Purchases in Excess of \$25,000" with Horizon Distributors, Inc.; Creative Communications Sales and Rental, Inc.; Deere and Company; Simpson Norton Corporation. Discussion and Action.

This Miscellaneous Item was Approved.

- 9.3 RES 14-21** A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, approving the modified Intergovernmental Agreement between Pinal County Flood Control District and the City of Maricopa for the maintenance of the flood control improvements in Red Valley Ranch. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

10. Regular Agenda

- 10.1 MISC 14-42** The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approval of a Special Summer Shuttle Pilot Program, along with changes to the COMET Policy modifying minimum age of passengers and reducing fare rates. The pilot program will operate from June 9, 2014 to August 1, 2014. Discussion and Action.

Transit Planner David Maestas presented information on the summer shuttle pilot program as well as the recommendations of reducing fare rates to free and modifying the current policy for minimum age of passengers. He provided some background and clarified that no additional funding is being requested for this program. He stated the program would run from June 9th thru August 1st, Monday through Friday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. He stated that in collaboration with MUSD, the shuttle would pick up riders at 8 to 9 school locations and transport them to Copper Sky. He gave details on the proposed shuttle schedule. Next, he stated that the minimum age of passengers be modified from the current minimum age of 14 years to 9 years and cited the primary reason was that under the proposed pilot, the lower age limit would only involve routes to Copper Sky and designated facilities within city limits. Next, he explained why ADOT recommended that the pilot program be offered for free.

Councilmember Chapados inquired about the minimum age requirements. Mr. Maestas clarified that anyone under 9 years of age would need to be accompanied by an adult. Councilmember Chapados expressed concerns over children being left behind. Mr. Maestas assured her that precautions would be taken so that no child will be left behind, such as radio communication with the drivers. Councilmember Chapados inquired about skateboards in the bus. Mr. Maestas stated the bus does

have a bicycle rack in the front and skateboards would be allowed as long as they are not riding on them.

Councilmember Frank shared concerns about children being left behind.

Vice Mayor Farrell explained that he has seen the PA work, and that it would be effective.

Mayor Price expressed concerns about the PA, in particular that it does not extend to the skate park. He explained that children can lose track of time and not hear the PA. Mr. Maestas stated they have not worked out all the details but they can be worked out.

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

10.2 MISC 14-44

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve the proposed 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan (Plan). Discussion and Action.

Finance Director Brian Ritschel presented on the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). He reviewed the process and the highlights including that it consists of 56 projects for the Fiscal Year 14-15 and totals \$88.1 million dollars. He discussed the major funding sources including: The General Government CIP Funds, the County Road Tax Fund, Development Impact Fee Funds, and Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF). He stated that 87% of funding would go to Public Works projects. He detailed notable FY 14-15 CIP project requests that included: The State Route 347 project, Public Works Maintenance & Fire Administration Facility, the Police Department Substation, and to maintain the City's street maintenance program. He concluded by inviting questions from Council.

Mayor Price clarified that the CIP has been extensively revised over the past 6 months and has evolved as the City and its needs change.

Mr. Ritschel concurred and elaborated.

There was no further discussion

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

10.3 MISC 14-46

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on accepting the resignation of Judge Scott Sulley from the Presiding Judge position for the Maricopa Municipal Court. Discussion and Action.

City Attorney Denis Fitzgibbons stated that Judge Sully's contract would end on December 2014 and that he submitted a letter of resignation effective May 31st, 2014. He stated that if Council accepts the resignation there will be an open Presiding Judge position.

Vice Mayor Farrell motioned to accept the resignation.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Farrell, seconded by Councilmember Chapados, that this Miscellaneous Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Edward Farrell, Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Councilmember Peggy Chapados and Committee Member Dan Frank

Abstain: 1 - Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse

- 10.4 MISC 14-47** The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on selecting a method by which to fill the Presiding Judge position for the Maricopa Municipal Court. Discussion and Action.

Vice Mayor Farrell moved to table item. Mayor Price clarified that Council wants more information in order to make a fully educated decision.

Councilwoman Gusse stated that she recused herself from the agenda item in the executive session 14-16, and recused herself on this item.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Farrell, seconded by Mayor Price, that this Miscellaneous Item be Tabled. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Edward Farrell, Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Councilmember Peggy Chapados and Committee Member Dan Frank

Recused: 1 - Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse

11. Executive Session

The City Council regular meeting moved to executive session at 7:48 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, seconded by Councilmember Peggy Chapados, to enter in to Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

- 11.1 ES 14-16** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City Attorney regarding the qualifications and the process for appointment of the Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court as set forth in the Maricopa City Code pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).
- 11.2 ES 14-17** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City Attorney concerning a potential City Council Code of Ethics issue and resolution pursuant to ARS 38-431.03 (A)(3).

12. Adjournment

The City Council regular meeting was adjourned.

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 3rd day of June, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 17th day of June, 2014.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk