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Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Jake Romero gave the invocation and Mayor Price led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Councilmembers Manfredi and Wade were present telephonically.

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

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

The Eloy High School mariachi band and the Cuacualti dance group performed El Jarabe Tapatío in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month.

3.1 [PROC 18-08](#) Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation

Mayor Price invited the members of the Cultural Affairs Advisory Committee and the Council to the front. Next, he introduced Jake Romero. Mr. Romero gave a statement honoring Rachele Pinedo Reese and her impact in the community as an ELS teacher and school administrator. Mayor Price read the proclamation and proclaimed September 15, 2018 through October 15, 2018 as Hispanic Heritage Month. He presented the proclamation to Ms. Pinedo Reese. Everyone posed for pictures with the mariachi group and the Cuacualti dance group.

Councilwoman Gusse gave a statement in Spanish on how proud and honored she was to represent the Hispanic community as a member of the Council.

Mayor Price Proclaimed September 15, 2018 through October 15, 2018 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Maricopa.

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price reported on his attendance to the Central Arizona Project (CAP)'s 50th Anniversary commemoration. Next, he discussed a meeting with members of the

legislature on the topic of 911 funding. Next, he reported attending an Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) hearing and acknowledged Global Water CEO, Ron Fleming in the audience. He reported teaching a class on government at Sequoia Pathway Academy. He reported attending the Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) Strategic Planning meeting. He reported participating in the September 11 Memorial Service at the Maricopa Police Substation. He announced there would be an Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) meeting in Florence on Friday (September 21, 2018) starting at 9 a.m. and encouraged participation. He noted attendees needed to be there by 8:30 a.m. if they wished to speak to the board. He gave an update on the Interstate 11 (I-11) Coalition and elaborated on the importance the corridor would have on Arizona's economy. He discussed the approximate timeline of the project.

Councilmember Smith stated that members of the Maricopa Citizens Leadership Academy (MCLA) attended the last Age-Friendly Advisory Committee meeting in which the senior citizen website was discussed. She expressed concerns that not a lot of people were aware of the senior website. She stated the website provided numerous resources available for seniors and added she had cards with information for anyone interested. She noted the website was accessible through the City's main webpage, www.maricopa-az.gov.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Rick Horst invited Administrative Services Director, Jennifer Brown to introduce her new employees. Mrs. Brown introduced the new Human Resources Manager, Fernanda Osgood. Ms. Osgood gave a brief statement. Next, Mrs. Brown introduced the new Public Information Officer, Adam Wolfe. Mr. Wolfe gave a brief statement.

City Manager Horst elaborated on the proposed purchasing cards and then, gave information on available library funds. Next, he stated that the City had a number of part-time and seasonal employees that were employed through temp agencies at a marked up cost and that staff was working on different ways to deal with staffing issues to save money. Lastly, he reported that the City was working on accepting credit cards in all City facilities.

6. Call to the Public

Global Water President, Ron Fleming shared that Global Water received a favorable ruling from the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC). He stated that as a result costumers would receive a rebate as soon as next month. He elaborated on the rebate and added that they intend to honor the settlement agreement with the City.

Councilmember Wade thanked the members of the Cultural Affairs Advisory Committee for their efforts in the Hispanic Heritage Month presentation.

Vice Mayor Chapados invited small business owners to a networking event at City Hall on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 6p.m. She noted the event would be free and elaborated on the activities. She directed those interested to the Facebook Group, Power Networking Group. Next, she announced the 4th Annual Senior Info/Expo would be on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the Maricopa Central Arizona College (CAC) campus from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. She added there would be a workshop on how to access resources through the City website. She noted the event would be free and encouraged registration.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 18-77](#) Approval of Minutes from the September 4, 2018 City Council Work Session.

Councilmember Smith clarified that on the report of meetings and events attended, Work Session Agenda Item 3.2 where it reads, "She elaborated that Central Arizona College (CAC) gave an update," Central Arizona College should be crossed out and be Maricopa Community Colleges.

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

- 7.2 [MIN 18-78](#) Approval of Minutes from the September 4, 2018 City Council Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Vice Mayor Chapados, that the 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 Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, seconded by Councilmember Nancy Smith, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 9.1 [CON 18-42](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approval of a contract with Pavement Markings, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$187,200.00 for striping of City streets. Funding will be drawn from ½ Cent Road Tax Fund-Transportation, Street Projects-Capital, Street Maintenance (30055155-67750-34005). This contract, which is based on Yuma County Contract No. C2015-2016CY.02, is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Section 3-223 "Cooperative Purchasing." Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.2 [PUR 18-16](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a purchase of one (1) BMW R1200 RT-P Police Motorcycle from GOAZ for the City of Maricopa Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$31,129.49. Included in this purchase all necessary police upfitting. This purchase is in accordance with the City of Maricopa Purchasing Code, Article IV, Section 3-223, Cooperative Purchasing and will be paid from Capital Project fund, police uniform services, Police Replacement Vehicles (35022122-67742-38012). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

- 9.3 [PUR 18-17](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear and possibly take action to approve a purchase

from Motorola Solutions for the purchase of four (4) portable radios for the Victim Advocates at the Maricopa Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$27,070.69. Funding for the purchase of the portable radios will come from the grants fund, police support services, non-capital equipment, victims of crime act grant. (22022123-55690-18213). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

9.4 [PUR 18-19](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the purchase of one 2019 Ford Explorer XLT FWD 3.5L, V6 from Peoria Ford to be used by the Public Works department. This purchase, in an amount not to exceed \$31,608.66, will be funded from Capital Projects- Admin, Vehicles, Public Works Administration Vehicle (35055151-67742-40010). This purchase is based on Arizona State Cooperative Contract ADSPO17-166117 and is compliant with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Section 3-223 "Cooperative Purchasing." Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

10. Regular Agenda

9.5 [CON 18-36](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving an annual updated agreement between the City of Maricopa and the Maricopa Economic Development Alliance for FY2018- 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$125,000. \$50,000 will be funded from General Fund, Non-Departmental, Program Awards (10010000-53380) and \$75,000 will be funded from General Fund, Economic Development, Professional and Occupational (10011616-53320). Discussion and Action.

Councilwoman Gusse asked Economic Development Director, Denyse Airheart and Maricopa Economic Development Association (MEDA) Senior Advisor, Doctor Ioanna Morfessis to state the purpose of MEDA. Dr. Morfessis elaborated that the purpose was to bring together the private and the public sector to support economic development efforts. She noted the organization was a non-profit, 501(c) 3. Councilwoman Gusse asked if a marketing firm could replace MEDA. Dr. Morfessis explained that MEDA hired a marketing firm on behalf of the City and elaborated on the benefits. Councilwoman Gusse asked what made MEDA unique. Dr. Morfessis stated that they had a private sector board with direct experience and perspective on marketing. Councilwoman Gusse asked what the matching funds were for the 501. Dr. Morfessis responded and stated that the organization was exceeding the one on one and the marketing agreement 3 to one. Dr. Morfessis explained that MEDA was not an open public body and was not subject to open meeting law, however because of the partnership with the City, the City received all their reports and statements. She welcomed council members and constituents to reach out for information. Vice-Mayor Chapados thanked the MEDA Board and Dr. Morfessis. She emphasized the importance of the partnership.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Gusse, seconded by Vice Mayor Chapados, that this Contract be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. Executive Session

There was no executive session held.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, seconded by Vice Mayor Peggy J. Chapados, to Adjourn at 8 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 regular meeting of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 18th day of September, 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 2nd day of October, 2018.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk