



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Work Session

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Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Nancy Smith
Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Work Session was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Agenda Items

- 3.1** [WS 18-01](#) The Mayor and City Council shall review items on the Regular City Council meeting agenda.

There were no questions or concerns.

- 3.2** [WS 18-02](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear reports on meeting and/or conferences attended by Council.

Vice Mayor Chapados reported attending the annual Boards, Committees and Commission (BCC) Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on April 19th. She thanked all BCC members for their service and Jennifer Brown and City Clerk, Vanessa Bueras for coordinating the event. Next, she reported attending the Sorrento annual neighborhood watch potluck on Saturday, April 21st. She reported on the City Manager interviews held Monday and Tuesday (April 16 and 17) and thanked the citizen stakeholder group, staff, directors and fellow council members.

Councilmember Manfredi commended everyone who participated in the City Manager selection process.

Councilmember Wade reiterated praise for all involved.

- 3.3** [WSPRES 18-13](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation from Ms. Rebecca Rothenberg, on the progress report of the Housing Plan.

Zoning Administrator, Kazi Haque gave a brief background on the Housing Needs Plan process and turned the presentation over to Atria Planning Consultant, Rebecca

Rothenberg. Ms. Rothenberg gave background on the Housing Needs Assessment and the process of the Housing Plan. She gave a quick overview of what was completed and what was still underway. She discussed the Design Charrette for a city center held on March 2017. She discussed the feedback received from residents including elements they would like to see included such as a village center, diverse housing for seniors and young adults, a music venue, pathways and pedestrian walkways among other things. She stated the public data dashboard was nearly complete and elaborated on the features. She discussed the next steps and emphasized that it would near completion by next month.

The Presentation was heard.

3.4 [WSPRES 18-12](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear an Economic Update for FY2017-2018 and goals set forth to advance economic development efforts for the City of Maricopa.

Economic Development Director, Denyse Airheart noted that she received numerous inquiries for multi-family housing as a result of the Housing Needs Plan process. Next, she provided an Economic Development Quarterly Update for FY 2017-2018. She stated the goal of the department was to be a leading regional partner, provide growth opportunities for new companies, entrepreneurs, and expand companies by delivering high quality services, sites and talent to businesses. She discussed the following key projects: the SR (State Route) 347 Grade Separation, the Estrella Gin Business Park, City Center Development, Copper Sky Commercial, and the Maricopa Center for Entrepreneurship (MCE). She discussed additional initiatives including the Business Assistance Program, the Customer Survey, the Maricopa Matters Brand and Educational Partnerships. Lastly, she discussed the 2018 Economic Summit, titled Where Entrepreneurs Meet Opportunity that would take place on April 26 from 5 to 7 pm. at City Hall.

Councilmember Wade inquired about the business license renewal process going forward. Interim City Manager, Trisha Sorensen responded that Development Services Director, Martin Scribner was in the process of revamping the process and the code and would present later in June.

The Presentation was heard.

3.5 [WSPRES 18-11](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation discussing key dates and milestones of the State Route 347 Overpass project.

Public Works Director, Bill Fay gave an update on the 347 Overpass Project. He stated Ames Construction was the contractor and part of their team included Project Manager, Chris Kane and Project Engineer, Nick DeVito. He stated the key people from the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) included Resident Engineer, Micah Hanam and Superintendent, Denver Romaine. He stated that from the City of Maricopa he and Wes Carnahan were the key people in the project. He discussed key dates and rough phases including a substantial completion and end construction around November 26, 2019. He discussed two critical elements and other key dates. The floor was opened for questions.

Councilmember Smith asked if there was feedback from businesses. Mr. Fay stated that Napa and ADOT had some communication issues and elaborated that Mr. Hanam personally addressed the issue. He added that there were also issues with a soft closure of Plainview Street. Councilmember Wade stated he was present in the meeting with Mr. Hanam and the Napa tenants and commended Mr. Hanam for his role.

Councilmember Brown asked if ADOT was convinced that the price of the only company supplying concrete girders was comparable. Mr. Fay responded it was an Ames contract and elaborated about hard bids.

The Presentation was heard.

4. Executive Session

5. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Henry Wade, seconded by Vice Mayor Peggy J. Chapados, to Adjourn at 6:43 pm. 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 24th day of April, 2018. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 1st day of May, 2018.

**Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk**