



# City of Maricopa

## Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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

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Tuesday, June 1, 2021

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### 1. Call to Order

*The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. Bishop, Bradley Dewitt from the Church of Jesus Christ Ladder Days from the El Dorado Ward gave the invocation and Councilmember Wade led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

### 2. Roll Call

*Councilmember Manfredi was present telephonically.*

**Present:** 7 - Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Rich Vitiello, Councilmember Henry Wade, Councilmember Amber Liermann, Vice Mayor Nancy Smith, Mayor Christian Price and Councilmember Bob Marsh

### 3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

#### 3.1 [PRES 21-08](#) Recognition of Rock Star Cheer National Champions

**Postponed**

### 4. Report from the Mayor

*Vice Mayor Smith reported meeting with artist along with Mayor Price and Councilmember Lierman to discuss starting a friends of the arts group. She invited those interested to attend the next meeting on June 2nd at 5 p.m. at the library. She reported attending the Gift Clause class and elaborated. Next, she reported on the Senior Lunch & Learn in which City Manager Horst presented, and announced the one would be June 18th at 11 a.m. in Copper Sky with Exceptional Health Care as speaker. Lastly, she reported attending a Maricopa Association of Government's Economic Development Committee meeting and elaborated on the discussion of Maricopa County's transportation plans.*

*Councilmember Marsh reported attending the Maricopa Fire and Medical Department Push-In Ceremony for the new fire truck. He reported attending the following event: An Arizona Department of Water Resources meeting, a Capitol Times Morning Scoop where Mayor Price presented, a Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) meeting in which Mayor Price also presented, the grand opening of the new Pinal County Complex, a senior information meeting where Ted Yocum presented, a Maricopa Economic*

*Development Alliance (MEDA) meeting, an Arizona Department of Water Resources meeting focused on Pinal County, and lastly a meeting with Brian Yerges, general manager of Electrical District No. 3 (ED3) to discuss potential blackouts this summer.*

*Councilmember Wade reported on the Maricopa Memorial Day 5k run hosted by ACP Painting, and the Councilmember on the Corner event that gave the community the opportunity to have open dialogue with members of the Maricopa Police Department (MPD), including Chief Hughes and PIO, Koozer.*

*Councilmember Liermann reported attending the Covid-19 and Mental Health Resilience meeting with Arizona Capitol Times and elaborated on Jake's Law.*

*Councilmember Wade reported being a guest speaker at the promotional ceremony for Desert Winds Middle School.*

*Mayor Price reported attending various graduation events. He thanked Intergovernmental Affairs Director, Dale Wiebusch and Matt for informing him on the tax information he provided at both the Capitol Times and GPEC meetings and elaborated. He discussed the State budget process and stated legislature was in recess until June 10th.*

## 5. Report from the City Manager

*There were no items reported.*

## 6. Call to the Public

*There were no public speakers.*

## 7. Consent Agenda

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Nancy Smith, seconded by Councilmember Henry Wade, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote.**

- 7.1 [SUB19-09](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a second, six (6) month extension of final plat approval case # SUB19-09, Apex Condominium Plat. Discussion and Action.

**This Subdivision was Approved.**

- 7.2 [CON 21-11](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a Subrecipient Agreement with Pinal County for FY2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding. Discussion and Action.

**This Contract was Approved.**

- 7.3 [LIQ 21-03](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action recommending approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control regarding an application for Sampling Privileges submitted by Amy Nations on behalf Sprouts Farmers Market located on 20300 N. John Wayne Parkway, Maricopa, AZ 85139 .

Discussion and Action.

**This Liquor License was Approved.**

- 7.4 [ORD 21-08](#) An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, relating to the Transaction Privilege and Use Tax; amending Article 4, Section 8-447 of the City Tax Code by increasing the Rental, leasing, and licensing for use of real property: additional tax on transient lodging from two percent (2.00%) to five and one-half percent (5.50%); designating the proceeds of this increase be used by the City in accordance with A.R.S. §9-500.06; providing for severability and establishing an effective date. Discussion and Action.

**This Ordinance was Approved.**

- 7.5 [MIN 21-29](#) Approval of Minutes from the May 18, 2021 City Council Regular meeting.

**These Minutes were Approved.**

## 8. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

- 8.1 [PRES 21-06](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation by City Engineer Eduardo Raudales on MAG Emerging Technologies Pilot Program: Code Green. Discussion Only.

*City Engineer Eduardo Raudales gave a PowerPoint presentation on Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Emerging Technologies Pilot called "Code Green." He stated Code Green would use cameras with advanced artificial intelligent technology to accurately track vehicle movement and automatically collect real-time traffic data. He stated the system would collect accurate turning movement data for timing plan creation, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. He stated the system would be owned and operated by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), and that the city would have access to the information. He stated the project partners included; Rick Engineering, Rhythm Engineering, Contractor West and ADOT. He detailed the project scope including, the duration from from May 10, 2021 through Jan 31, 2022 and the entire schedule. He discussed the challenges in retiming traffic signals and the solutions offered from the Code Green system. He opened the floor for questions.*

*Councilmember Vitiello asked if the goal of the project was to move traffic through SR 347 quicker. Mr. Raudales responded the goal was to count traffic to come up with a timing plan for traffic signals. Discussion ensued regarding the timing of the project. City Manager Horst clarified that other solutions for traffic would include infrastructure construction projects, and that this would help understand the construction elements needed. Councilmember Marsh asked if the project could be extended to Ak-Chin. Mr. Raudales responded that ADOT determined it would only include city limits.*

**The Presentation was heard.**

- 8.2 [PRES 21-07](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear a Risk & Safety Development update. Discussion only.

*Risk and Safety Administrator Melissa Thompson, gave a Risk & Safety Development PowerPoint update. She provided a timeline of events from 2018 to 2019, including the formation of a risk management team, separating from the trust, and creating a risk manager position. She detailed the data analysis and data driven decisions. She detailed workers compensation costs, premium savings, and factors influencing*

*worker's compensation premiums. She stated there was more work to do and elaborated. She opened the floor for questions. City Manager Horst commended Josh Bowman and Melissa Thompson.*

**The Presentation was heard.**

**9. Executive Session**

**10. Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Nancy Smith, seconded by Councilmember Rich Vitiello, to Adjourn at 7:44 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 1st day of June, 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.*

*Dated this 15th day of June, 2021.*

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*Vanessa Bueras  
City Clerk*