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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Work Session

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, October 7, 2014

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council work session was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Agenda Items

3.1 [WS 14-01](#)

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

Councilmember Frank asked for clarification on Agenda Item 9.5. Purchasing Manager Patricia LaCombe explained the purchasing code and elaborated.

3.2 [WS 14-02](#)

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

Councilmember Chapados reported attending the Veteran's Town Hall on September 25th and thanked Councilwoman Gusse for the event. She reported assisting in the Voter Registration Day efforts led by Henry Wade and Gale Randolph on September 27th and she thanked all the volunteers that participated. Next, she reported that on October 1st she attended the Pinal County Attorney's kick-off event for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. She then reported attending the 2014 Pinal County Town Hall on October 2nd at Casa Grande. She noted the theme was on economics of a healthy community and that the Community Programs Manager, Mary Witkofski was also in attendance.

3.3 [WSPRES 14-26](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation on the status of the General Plan Update.

Development Services Director Bob Goodhue presented the General Plan Update. He stated that currently the City is on the 2006 General Plan and that state law requires the General Plan to be updated every 10 years and therefore Council will need to adopt a new General Plan by January 2016. He noted the General Plan will go out to the voters for ratification in the 2016 General Election. He stated that at least 18 to 24 months are needed to ensure an update. He noted that additional elements are required for cities with populations over 50,000 and that the City might

reach that number by the time it goes for approval. He stated that a great deal of public interaction and input needs to occur in the process. He presented the schedule with two possible scenarios. He stated that under Scenario A there will be a lot of overlap between different endeavors and a lot of public input would need to be incorporated. Next, he stated that Scenario B is intended to minimize overlaps by extending the schedule, but it will require re-adoption in 2018. He recommended Scenario B and opened the floor for questions.

Mayor Price asked for clarification on the 2016 adoption and the 2018 re-adoption. Mr. Goodhue elaborated on the re-adoption and noted that it would have to go to voters in both cases. Mayor Price asked what would happen if the adoption was not ratified by the voters. Mr. Goodhue stated that it would have to be revised and go for re-ratification. Mayor Price asked for clarification on the rationale behind the timeline scenarios. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Chapados inquired if the 5 month window between the end of the Vision 2040 and the General Plan adoption would allow enough time to review the Vision 2040 and incorporate elements to the General Plan. Discussion ensued.

The Presentation was heard.

3.4 [WSPRES 14-27](#)

The Mayor and City Council will hear a presentation by Intergovernmental Affairs Director Paul Jepson on the possible enactment of Solid Waste Fees and code provisions within the City of Maricopa. Discussion and Direction.

Intergovernmental Affairs Director Paul Jepson presented on the possible enactment of Solid Waste Fees and code provisions within the City. He explained fees are intended to compensate the City for the impact that the commercial solid waste vehicles have on City roads. He noted the proposed fees would be posted as required by state law and detailed the fees charged by municipalities with similar populations. He proposed a \$350 annual application fee, and a \$1,000 annual per vehicle fee or 2-4% of gross receipt fee (whichever is higher). He stated that once research is complete it will be brought back to Council on December 16th for final approval and opened the floor for questions.

Mayor Price stated he would like to see numbers instead of percentages to contextualize the actual fees. Mr. Jepson stated that research will have to be done to calculate the fees. Mayor Price pointed out that while it is a standard process for other cities, the City of Maricopa has been footing the bill for road damage caused by the private commercial activity of trash trucks.

Councilmember Brown asked if there will be a way to weight the vehicles. Mr. Jepson stated that vehicles would be weighed at the landfill. City Manager Rose stated that financial records can be attained for gross receipts to equate the amount, however the City does not have a way to weigh the vehicles. Public Works Director Bill Fay concurred that the City does not have a way to weigh the vehicles, but the landfill weighs the trucks in and out of the facility. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Chapados asked if there would be a way to track which vehicle paid the fees. Mr. Rose stated that a program would have to be created or follow an honor system, but that in most cases the Gross Receipt Fee is the highest number.

Consensus was to move forward with the proposed enactment of fees.

The Presentation was heard.

4. Executive Session

The City Council work session moved to executive session at 6:26 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, seconded by Councilmember Julia R. Gusse, to enter in to Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

- 4.1 ES 14-10** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City's attorney to consider its position and instruct representatives regarding the pending claims and lawsuits filed against the City pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4).
- 4.2 ES 14-38** 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 consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding entering into a consent agreement for the transfer of county right-of-way, and the potential terms thereof, with Pinal County and for legal advice regarding same, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4).
- 4.3 ES 14-39** 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 consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding entering into an intergovernmental agreement for the joint use of facilities and for a School Resource Officer pursuant to the Cops Grant, and the potential terms thereof, with the Maricopa Unified School District and for legal advice regarding same, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4).
- 4.4 ES 14-40** 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 consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding entering into an Interim Presiding Judge Agreement, and the potential terms thereof, with Tresa Georgini and for legal advice regarding same, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4).
- 4.5 ES 14-41** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City Attorney regarding the Code of Ethics Complaints, the Investigation Report, the hearings that were conducted and issuing a statement regarding the process that was followed and the Council's determinations related to the allegations pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02(A)(3) and (A)(4).

5. Adjournment

The City Council Work Session was Adjourned.

Certification of Minutes

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the work session meeting of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 7th day of October, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 21th day of October, 2014.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk