



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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Mayor Christian Price
Vice-Mayor Edward Farrell
Councilmember Marvin Brown
Councilmember Peggy Chapados
Councilwoman Julia Gusse
Councilmember Bridger Kimball
Councilmember Leon Potter

Tuesday, November 20, 2012

7:00 PM

MUSD Board Room

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m.

Jim Reeves 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 Brown, Councilwoman Julia Gusse, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Councilmember Leon Potter and Councilmember Peggy Chapados

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

3.1 [PRES 12-078](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation acknowledging the completion of the fall session of the Maricopa Citizens Leadership Academy (MCLA).

Public Information Officer LaTricia Woods and Mayor Price presented awards to this session's Citizen's Leadership Academy graduates. The graduates were:

*Jim Chaston
Barbara Christensen
John Donohue
Thomas Fatigate
Jim French
Joi-Ashli Gibbs
Alex Gonzalez
Christy Hashisaki
Rachel Leffall
May McCarthey
Stephanie Palmer
Bev Watne
Donna Weber
Fred Weber
William Wright*

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price stated that he met with ADOT, Arizona Department of Transportation, to host the transportation board meeting. He stated that former Mayor and current Pinal County Supervisor Anthony Smith was working as an advocate for the city's needs with various agencies such as ADOT.

The Mayor announced the onsite Mammography event on January 30-31st at City Hall.

Next, Mayor Price promoted residents to shop local and participate in this year's Small Business Saturday on November 24, 2012.

The Mayor then announced FOR Our City organization Thanksgiving Dinner event to be held at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. He stated that the dinner would be free to everyone who attended.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Brenda Fischer wished a Happy Thanksgiving to everyone in the City of Maricopa.

Ms. Fischer then called upon Finance Director Tom Duensing who presented a certificate of excellence in financial reporting to City Accountant Rebecca Chitwood. He thanked Ms. Chitwood for her hard work and dedication.

Ms. Fischer then announced the departure of Development Services Director Brent Billingsley who accepted a City Manager position for the town of Globe, AZ. She called upon Mr. Billingsley to bid farewell to the city he had been with since 2005.

Councilwoman Gusse said that Mr. Billingsley would be dearly missed.

Councilmember Chapados said that Mr. Billingsley was a wealth of information and his time was always appreciated.

Vice Mayor Farrell stated that he was on the committee that hired Mr. Billingsley. He said that the city's decision to hire Mr. Billingsley was prefaced by comments made by City of Casa Grande Mayor Bob Jackson who had told Mr. Farrell that Maricopa would be getting someone very special if they hired Mr. Billingsley. Vice Mayor Farrell said that Billingsley had been an amazing asset for the city; that he had raised the bar. He thanked him for his service.

Councilmember Brown stated that Mr. Billingsley was a real gentleman and a real trooper who will be missed.

Mayor Price said that he never truly realized the amount of work that Mr. Billingsley didn't until he got behind the scenes. He added that Globe is lucky to have him and thanked him for his service.

Mr. Billingsley stated that the situation was bittersweet. He said that every time he embarked on a new project he had gone in with confidence and a willingness to succeed. He stated that each time, he very quickly learned what it was he didn't know. He added that Maricopa has a wonderful staff. He said that receiving the distinguished award from Central Arizona College was even more special because of Councilmember Potter's attendance at the event.

6. Call to the Public

No one spoke during the Call to the Public.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 12-101](#) Approval of Minutes from the November 6, 2012 City Council Work Session.

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

- 7.2 [MIN 12-102](#) Approval of Minutes from the November 6, 2012 City Council Regular Meeting.

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

8. Public Hearings

- 8.1 [PH 12-024](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear public comment regarding the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and State Special Projects (SSP) funds beginning October 1, 2013. SSP is competitive; whereas, CDBG is a set amount provided to the community and allocated based on Central Arizona Association of Government Regional Council Method of Distribution. Both grants are submitted to the Arizona Department of Housing and are awarded based on eligibility and funding availability.

Grants Manager Mary Witkofski presented.

Mayor Price opened and then closed the public hearing at 7:45 p.m.

No one spoke during the public hearing.

The Public Hearing was held.

9. Consent Agenda**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Councilmember Leon Potter, seconded by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, to Adopt the Consent Agenda . The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 9.1 [CON 12-079](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract to lease City-owned property to Tyee Southwest for a term of five years for the annual rent of \$189.60. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.2 [MISC 12-090](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request by the Purchasing Manager to approve expenditures exceeding \$25,000 pursuant to the City Purchasing Code, Article IV, Section 3-213(e) "Cumulative Annual Purchases in

Excess of \$25,000” for Deere and Company, M & S Equipment, and Turf Equipment. Discussion and Action.

This Miscellaneous Item was Approved.

- 9.3 [CON 12-081](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve a contract amendment with IntegriSource, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for information technology contract services. The funding for the project will be drawn from budget line item General Fund, IT, Professional and Occupational (10011553-53320). Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.4 [CON 12-082](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request to appoint the Honorable Scott Sulley to serve as the City Magistrate for the term of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 and to enter into a personal services contract specifying the terms and conditions of such service which will be funded from the General fund, City Magistrate, Salaries and Benefits (10011010-51100 through 10011010-52800). Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.5 [MISC 12-092](#) The Mayor and Council shall consider a staff complement change to replace one (1) vacant City Engineer Transportation Manager position with one (1) Assistant Director of Development Services/City Engineer position in the Development Services department and a staff complement to add one (1) Full-time Engineering Manager position in the Development Services department and inclusion of the staff complements to the 2012 Salary Plan. Funding for these changes for the remainder of FY12-13 would be provided from a transfer of funds in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 from General Fund, Contingency (10010000-99000) to Development Services, Administration (10044140-various salary and employee related expenses). Discussion and Action.

This Miscellaneous Item was Approved.

- 9.6 [MISC 12-089](#) The Mayor and Council shall consider a staff complement change to add one (1) Part-time Property Evidence Technician position in the Police Department and add the new staff complement to the 2012 Salary Plan. Discussion and Action.

This Miscellaneous Item was Approved.

- 9.7 [CON 12-080](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request to approve an Award of Contract to Dyett & Bhatia Urban and Regional Planners of San Francisco to provide consulting services for the City of Maricopa, Development Services Zoning Code Rewrite, in an amount not to exceed \$330,750; and to approve budgetary transfers to fund consulting services related to interim Planning and Zoning functions, including overseeing the Zoning Code Rewrite, through the end of FY12-13 in an amount not to exceed \$136,200. The transfer is from General Governmental CIP, Capital Projects-Transportation, Buildings, Amtrak Station Relocation (35044146-67720-35016) for \$466,950 to General Governmental CIP, Capital Projects-Planning & Zoning, Design Services-Improvements Other Than Buildings, Zoning Code Rewrite (35044141-67735) for \$330,750 and to General Fund, Planning and Zoning, Professional and Occupational (10044141-53320) for \$136,200. The procurement process for the contract award is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code, Section 3-4-6. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

10. Regular Agenda

- 10.1** **MISC 12-091** The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to cancel or reschedule the January 2, 2013 City Council regular and work session meetings. Discussion and Action.

Assistant to the City Manager Paul Jepson presented.

Councilmember Brown moved to cancel the January 2, 2013 City Council Meeting. Vice Mayor Farrell seconded.

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

11. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

- 11.1** **ES 12-001** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for purpose of obtaining legal advice from the City's Attorney on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3).
- 11.2** **ES 12-002** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for purpose of obtaining legal advice from the City's attorney and to consider its position and instruct representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(7).
- 11.3** **ES 12-005** 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).
- 11.4** **ES 12-023** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of consultation with its attorneys and to consider its position regarding a proposed Development and Settlement Agreement with Meritage Homes of Arizona, Inc. and Metro Red-1 pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4).

12. Adjournment

The City Council Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilmember Bridger Kimball, seconded by Councilmember Marvin Brown, to Adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.