



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Regular Meeting

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Mayor Nancy Smith
Vice-Mayor Rich Vitiello
Councilmember Eric Goettl
Councilmember Amber Liermann
Councilmember Bob Marsh
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council meeting Called to order at 6:10 p.m. Community of Hope Pastor Rusty Akers gave the invocation and Councilmember Wade led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements, Awards and Presentations

There were no items presented.

4. Report from the Mayor

Councilmember Marsh acknowledged Maricopa Monitor reporter, Kimlye Stager and announced she had been reassigned to the City of Coolidge. He commended her journalism and invited her to say a few words. K. Stager expressed gratitude to the community.

Mayor Smith reported attending the official signing of Proposition 400E and elaborated on how it pertains to City of Maricopa.

5. Report from the City Manager

There were no items reported.

6. Call to the Public

Barry McCain commended Mayor Smith, Councilmember Manfredi, Councilmember Liermann, Councilmember Marsh, City Manager Horst, City Attorney, Fire Chief, and Police Department Chief. He commented on the legislative session.

Aubrey Morris inquired about the Wild West Music Festival and the process of choosing SLE (Steve LeVine Entertainment & Public Relations) to conduct the event.

He asked if an RFP (Request for Proposal) was issued and listed concerns such as who was financing the event, whether artist that cater to the Black community be included, and that the logo reflected the past and did not portray the current diversity. He stated he was Chair of Maricopa AZ Events, and Ken O'Jon with O'Jon Enterprises had lost money putting events for the community and wished they had been given the opportunity. He was directed to contact Assistant City Manager, Jennifer Brown to discuss and answer his questions.

Dr. Le'on Willis stated Black community leaders had met and urged the City Council to obtain more diversity within the City's hiring process in all levels of employment, and board and committee assignments. He stated the Black population was more than ten percent in the City of Maricopa and continued to grow, yet it was not reflected in the hiring at the high and/or low level of city government. He inquired how the Council intended to address the issue and make Maricopa City a more perfect city in its diversity. He asked for feedback in order to work together to resolve the issues. He thanked the Council for their time and consideration. He was directed to contact Quinn Konold and Councilmember Wade for a meeting.

Jaylen Johnson, GIS Intern with the City of Maricopa gave a little background on himself and thanked City Manager Horst, Deputy City Manager Kowloski, Chief Information Officer Michael Collins, GIS Specialist Adam Langford, GIS Technician Cameron King, Mayor Smith, Assistant City Manager Brown, Deputy City Manager Bitter, Chief Mark Goodman, Fire Chief Pitassi and Assistant Fire Chief Pantoja.

Ken O'Jon, expressed concern and inquired the African-American community could do to increase the diversity of the City of Maricopa.

7. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Bob Marsh, seconded by Councilmember Henry Wade, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- 7.1 [CON 23-22](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions with Slusky CRE, LLC, related to the sale of real property generally located on the southeast corner of Honeycutt Road and Continental Boulevard, Maricopa, Pinal County, Arizona including Assessor Parcel Nos. 51071003L and 51071003F for \$1,363,464.95 and authorizing the City Manager to execute this agreement, any future amendments to extend the Closing as he deems necessary and any closing documents related thereto. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 7.2 [CON 23-23](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions with Slusky Holdings, LLC, related to the sale of real property generally located on the southeast corner of Honeycutt Road and Continental Boulevard, Maricopa, Pinal County, Arizona including Assessor Parcel Nos. 51071003G (portion only), 51071003J and 51071003H for \$981,034.77 and authorizing the City Manager to execute this agreement, any future amendments to extend the Closing as he deems necessary and any closing documents related thereto. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 7.3 [CON 23-24](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on the Purchase and Sale Agreement and Escrow Instructions with Slusky L.P., related to the sale of real property generally located on the southeast corner of Honeycutt Road and Continental Boulevard, Maricopa, Pinal County, Arizona including Assessor Parcel Nos. 51071003N (portion only) and 51071023B for \$981,034.78 and authorizing the City Manager to execute this agreement, any future amendments to extend the Closing as he deems necessary and any closing documents related thereto. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 7.4 [RES 23-45](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, approving and adopting the Third Amendment to Development Agreement between the City of Maricopa, Hogenes Farms, an Arizona limited partnership and TRS 15, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, in compliance with A.R.S. §9-500.05. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 7.5 [CON 23-26](#) The Mayor and Council shall discuss and take action on authorizing the City Manager to execute a "Wastewater Facilities Extension Agreement" with Global Water - Palo Verde Utilities, Inc., an Arizona corporation, in a form substantially similar to the attached draft, and as approved by the City Attorney. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 7.6 [CON 23-27](#) The Mayor and Council shall discuss and take action on authorizing the City Manager to execute a "Water Facilities Extension Agreement" with Global Water - Santa Cruz Water Company, Inc., an Arizona corporation, in a form substantially similar to the attached draft, and as approved by the City Attorney. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 7.7 [MIN 23-39](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on approving the minutes from the July 25, 2023 City Council Work Session and the August 1, 2023 City Council Regular meeting. Discussion and Action.

These Minutes were Approved.

- 7.8 [MISC 23-19](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on canceling the October 17, 2023 City Council meeting. Discussion and Action.

This Miscellaneous Item was Approved.

- 7.9 [SPEVLIQ 23-04](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action on recommending approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for a Special Event Liquor License application submitted by Jodi Cox on behalf of the Province Community Association for special events on September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21, 2023 to be held at 20942 N. Province Parkway, Maricopa, Arizona 85138. Discussion and Action.

This Special Event Liquor License was Approved.

8. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

There were no items on this section.

9. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

10. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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 15th day of August, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of September, 2023.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk