

RESOLUTION NO. 26-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA ADOPTING “ADVANCING MARICOPA,” THE MARICOPA GENERAL PLAN AND LAND USE MAP WHICH WILL REPLACE THE CITY OF MARICOPA GENERAL PLAN 2016 AS ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL, AND ALL SUCCESSOR AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND DIRECTING THAT “ADVANCING MARICOPA,” THE MARICOPA GENERAL PLAN AND LAND USE MAP BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS FOR RATIFICATION AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026.

WHEREAS, Arizona law requires that municipalities adopt a comprehensive, long-range general plan for the development of the municipality, which must be updated or readopted from time to time; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Arizona law, the General Plan is required to contain specified elements, some with subparts; and

WHEREAS, Maricopa has been actively updating its General Plan to comply with Arizona law and all State of Arizona legal requirements for amending and adopting the General Plan have been met; and

WHEREAS, the General Plan amendment process included an effective, early and continuous public participation plan in accordance with the public participation plan, approved by Council on December 3, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Maricopa provided the following governmental authorities with an opportunity for official comment on the General Plan at least sixty (60) days prior to giving notice of public hearings as set forth in Arizona law:

Arizona State Land Department	Arizona Dept. of Water Resources
City of Goodyear	Pinal County
Maricopa County	City of Casa Grande
Ak-Chin Indian Community	Central Arizona Governments
Maricopa Association of Governments	Arizona Soaring, Inc.
AZ Commerce Authority	Maricopa Unified School District
Stanfield Elementary School District	BLM
Gila River Indian Community	MCDWID
Union Pacific Railroad	Arizona Department of Transportation
Global Water	Electrical District – 3
USPS	Maricopa Flood Control District
Orbitel	Southwest Gas
Arizona Dept. of Environmental Quality	

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on March 23 2026 and April 27, 2026, to review the proposed “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General

Plan and Land Use Map and public comments relating thereto, and has unanimously recommended the adoption of “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, upon voter ratification, the General Plan adopted by this resolution replaces the 2016 General Plan adopted by the City Council, and all successor amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposed “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map and holding a public hearing to consider the public’s comments on June 2, 2026, the City Council believes that the adoption of the proposed “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map is in the best interest of the City and will promote the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §9-461.06 requires that the proposed “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map be submitted to the voters for ratification.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the final “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map, as recommended by the Development Services Department and approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission, is hereby adopted to replace the Maricopa 2016 General Plan, subject to voter ratification.

SECTION 2. That “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map is designated as a public record, copies of which shall remain on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

SECTION 3. In accordance with A.R.S. §9-416.06, that the following ballot question regarding the ratification of “Advancing Maricopa,” the City of Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map, as adopted by this resolution, be placed on the general election ballot for November 3, 2026:

SHALL “ADVANCING MARICOPA,” THE MARICOPA GENERAL PLAN AND LAND USE MAP, AS ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE 2nd DAY OF JUNE 2026 BE APPROVED BY THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF MARICOPA.

A YES vote shall have the effect of approving “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map as adopted by the City Council and it shall become effective as provided by law.

A NO vote shall have the effect of leaving the Maricopa 2016 General Plan in place until such time as Council shall adopt other provisions which may be ratified by the voters.

SECTION 4. After the City Council has canvassed the votes from the November 3, 2026 election, in the event that the voters approve “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map as herein adopted, the Maricopa 2016 General Plan shall automatically and immediately be repealed following the approval of the canvass of the vote of the November 3, 2026 election. If the voters do not ratify “Advancing Maricopa,” the Maricopa General Plan and Land Use Map, the existing Maricopa 2016 General Plan shall remain to govern the use and development of land, pursuant to A.R.S. §9-461.06, until such time as the Council shall adopt other provisions which may be ratified by the voters.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Maricopa Arizona, this 2nd day of June, 2026.

APPROVED:

Nancy Smith
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Vanessa Bueras, MMC
City Clerk

Denis M. Fitzgibbons
City Attorney