



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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Councilmember Marvin L. Brown
Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Nancy Smith
Councilmember Rich Vitiello

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. There was an invocation by a Bishop from the Jesus Christs of Latter Day Saint's, Butterfield Ward followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Vice Mayor Wade.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, Mayor Christian Price, Councilmember Nancy Smith, Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Rich Vitiello, Vice Mayor Henry Wade and Councilmember Marvin L. Brown

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

3.1 [PRES 19-12](#) Maricopa Citizens Leadership Academy (MCLA) Fall 2019 Session Acknowledgement

Adam Wolfe presented the 2019 Fall Graduating Class of the Maricopa Citizen Leadership Academy (MCLA): Edith Banuelos, Ashly Davis, Uri Dawson, Ya-Mia Dawson, Arlinda Dos Santos, Luke Guilford, Nathan Guilford, Robert King, Stephanie Lee Bogan, Silvia Llacera, Louis Manuel (not present), Kanya Muñoz (not present), Denise Perry Williams, Michael Salgado (not present), Alex Stovall, Nadia Vazquez, and Harriet Wenzel.

The Presentation was heard.

Acknowledgement of new Youth Council

Recreation Manager, Daniel Gallegos gave information on the Youth Council activities and events including: meetings twice a week, volunteer work, a mock council meeting, pumpkin walk, toy drive, government day, youth town improvement day and more. He introduced the new members of the Youth Council.

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price reported that the City of Maricopa was 1 of 7 cities that were chosen across the country to attend the Mayor's Institute of City Design (MICD). He elaborated on the event and the topics discussed.

Councilmember Smith reported attending the Pinal Partnership meeting on renewable development. She discussed the previous Senior Lunch and Learn, and gave information on the next one on November 15th, at Copper Sky at 11 a.m., on the topic of hormones. Next, she reported on the success of the October 19th, Teen Hall. She quoted Robert King, commending the event. She reported that the Pinal County Supervisors Association hosted their meeting in Maricopa and took a tour of the City. Lastly, she reported partnering with Vice Mayor Wade to host the Relay for Life Survivor Luncheon and elaborated on the event.

Vice Mayor Wade reported on the October 19th, Maricopa ArtFest at the Maricopa High School Performance Arts Center (PAC) and encouraged attendance to the next event. He reported attending the Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) Town Hall, the State of the City Address, and the Relay for Life Survivor's Luncheon. He reported walking laps with first responders at the Relay for Life and attending the City Sunday hosted by the Church of Celebration.

Councilwoman Gusse announced that there would be a veteran's display at Copper Sky in honor of Maricopa residents who have served in the military. She discussed veteran statistics and encouraged the community to attend the Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 9th at 10 in the morning. She asked all veterans in the audience to stand for recognition.

Councilmember Vitiello thanked and commended City staff for putting together the State of the City Address.

Councilmember Brown reported attending various of the events already mentioned and the Maricopa Historical Society luncheon on October 26th.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Horst announced that the City was awarded the certificate of achievement for excellence in financial reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association, for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and elaborated. He acknowledged financial staff and the Mayor and Council. He stated that as a direct result, Moody's Investor Service upgraded the City to an Aa3 and elaborated. Next, he announced the new financial advisor was awarded to Lewis Young Robertson & Burningham Inc., and stated they could renegotiate the item on Agenda Item 9.1 and elaborated. Next, he announced that the vacant Walgreens was underway to open soon. Lastly, he stated he would be attending a Manager's Summit to discuss the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System and potential changes.

6. Call to the Public

Judith Zaimont, with the Maricopa Arts Council, announced that the second Maricopa ArtsFest event would be on February 1, 2020 and thanked the Maricopa High School's Honor Society and DECA volunteers. She stated the Maricopa Music Circle Ensemble and the Maricopa Chorus would join together to present a Winter Holiday Musical at the Maricopa Agricultural Center on Saturday, December 14th. Next, she stated that the All-Maricopa Poetry Slam Championship would take place on Saturday, November 9th at 5:15 p.m., at Honeycutt Coffee and elaborated on the event and prizes.

Alex Stovall stated that he opened his home to struggling members of the community and asked what action or programs the City was implementing for assisting those in need. Mayor Price explained the Council could not respond during the Call to the

Public and directed him to contact City Manager Horst.

Vice Mayor Wade gave information on the Boys 2 Men event on Saturday, November 16th at Leading Edge Academy (18700 N. Porter Road) from 9 in the morning to 2 in the afternoon. He stated admission was \$5 to boys' ages 9-15 years old. He elaborated on the event's activities and topics of discussion.

Olivia Dawson shared that the Maricopa First LEGO League would have their first regional competition on November 16th at Intel. She stated they would be doing an innovation project about cityscapes and elaborated.

Grace Gomez commended the State of the City Address and thanked the City and Council for working together with the community.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 19-74](#) Approval of Minutes from the October 15, 2019 City Council Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Wade, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

8. Consent Agenda

Before approval of the Consent Agenda, Vice Mayor Wade asked questions on Agenda Item 8.2. He asked about the process of getting a second School Resource Officer (SRO), or an explanation of the process. City Manager Horst stated that the Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) was comfortable with one SRO at the High School at present and elaborated. Maricopa Police Chief Stahl gave a brief statement on the SRO program. Vice Mayor Wade asked if the Police Department was involved in the process of the request for the SRO. Chief Stahl responded they were.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, seconded by Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- 8.1 [ADD 19-01](#) An initiation by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, approving staff to pursue six (6) street name changes within Subdivision of Block 3, within the Heritage Redevelopment District. Discussion and Action.

This Addressing Item was Approved.

- 8.2 [IGA 19-12](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Maricopa Unified School District regarding a shared School Resource Officer (SRO). Discussion and Action.

This Intergovernmental Agreement was Approved.

- 8.3 [IGA 19-11](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Maricopa Unified School District regarding shared facilities. Discussion and Action.

This Intergovernmental Agreement was Approved.

- 8.4 [SPEVLIQ 19-05](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on recommending approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for an Application submitted by Mario Ortega on behalf of Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church to host a beer garden for the Small Business Saturday Event on Saturday, November 30, 2019, at Pacana Park located at 19000 N Porter Rd. Discussion and Action.

This Special Event Liquor License was Approved.

- 8.5 [SPEVLIQ 19-06](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on recommending approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for an Application for Special Event License submitted by Torri Anderson on behalf of Against Abuse, Inc. for a special event known as 15th Annual Against Abuse Inc. Seeds of Change Gala on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 20942 N. Province Parkway. Discussion and Action.

This Special Event Liquor License was Approved.

9. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

- 9.1 [RES 19-55](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request to approve a Master Lease-Purchase Agreement, and related documents, with the principal amount not exceeding \$1,233,191.02 for the purpose of acquiring a Pierce Ascendant apparatus, and authorizing the City Manager to sign the Master Lease-Purchase Agreement with PNC Bank, Pierce Manufacturing and Hughes Fire Company in a form substantially similar to the documents presently before the Mayor and City Council. Discussion and Action.

Mayor Price reiterated that by hiring the new Financial Adviser, it was believed the contract could be renegotiated and therefore save the community money. He recommend the item be tabled.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Wade, seconded by Councilmember Smith, that this Resolution be Tabled. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10. Executive Session

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, seconded by Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, to Adjourn at 7:57 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 5th day of November, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 19th day of November, 2019.

Vanessa Bueras

City Clerk