



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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Vice-Mayor Edward Farrell
Councilmember Marvin L. Brown
Councilmember Peggy Chapados
Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse
Councilmember Bridger Kimball
Councilmember Leon Potter

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

7:00 PM

MUSD Board Room

1. Call to Order

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Vice-Mayor Edward Farrell gave the invocation and led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Councilmember Peggy Chapados, Councilmember Leon Potter, Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, Councilwoman Julia R. Gusse, Councilmember Bridger Kimball, Vice Mayor Edward Farrell and Mayor Christian Price

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

- 3.1 [PROC 13-10](#) Proclamation proclaiming September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month.

The Mayor read and presented the proclamation to Folkloric dance group, Cuacualti whose name means "beautiful" in Nahuatl.

Councilwoman Gusse stated that she is proud of her Mexican heritage and considers herself 100% American. She recognized the local Latino small business owners of Pepe's Tacos, Taco's and More, and Rick Luna. She presented a two minute video clip and stated the full version is available through Scott Summers from Farmers Insurance. She concluded by stating she is happy to be part of this proclamation.

- 3.2 [PROC 13-11](#) Proclamation proclaiming the month of September as National Library Card Sign-up Month.

The Mayor read the Proclamation and presented it to Library Manager, Erik Surber.

- 3.3 [PROC 13-14](#) Proclamation proclaiming September 11th as a Day of Service and Remembrance in the City of Maricopa.

The Mayor read the Proclamation and presented it to City Clerk, Vanessa Bueras.

At 7:22 p.m. Mayor Price called for a brief recess to enjoy traditional Mexican folklorico dance by Cuacualti and enjoy pastries in the foyer.

The Council returned from the recess at 7:42 p.m.

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price reported he attended the Annual Conference of the Arizona League of Cities and Towns. He stated it is a great networking opportunity and an opportunity to learn from other cities and towns. He also informed the meeting attendees that there will be an evidentiary hearing this Thursday, September 5th at 10:00 a.m. regarding the Global Water case. It is opened to the public and it will take place in the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) building in Phoenix. He directed the public to contact Intergovernmental Affairs Director, Paul Jepson for any additional information.

5. Report from the City Manager

Interim City Manager, Trisha Sorensen introduced Community Services Director, Jennifer Campbell.

Jennifer Campbell stated that last week staff attended the Arizona Parks and Recreation Association State Conference and submitted for Best Enrichment Award for Maricopa in Motion. She informed the Council that the City of Maricopa won the award and presented it to Youth Sport Coordinators, Rocky Brown and Monte Cowing. She gave an update on the Stagecoach Days and 10th Anniversary scheduled events and activities. She directed everyone to the event's website stagecoachdays.maricopa-az.gov for more information.

Interim City Manager, Sorensen announced that Chief Wade Brannon is stepping down from his role but will continue to serve in a different role in the department. She thanked Chief Brannon for his service to the department.

Chief Brannon approached the podium and addressed the Mayor and Council. He stated it has been a pleasure serving the members of the community. He detailed the accomplishments of the Fire Department during his term. He stated that as the City recovers it will face the new challenges and opportunities of a larger city. He stated that upon discussion about the future of the City and the Fire Department with Interim City Manager, Trisha Sorensen, he concluded that the City needs a leader who has experience with larger cities. He stated that he is proud of the department's accomplishments, that he is happy to be a part of Maricopa's future, and that he is excited to assume a new role in the department.

Mayor Price thanked Chief Brannon for his hard work and services to the city.

Public Information Officer, LaTrisha Woods gave an update on the move to the new City Hall complex. She presented a sneak preview of the complex. She stated that the complex will have more security than at the interim location and will require visitors to acquire passes and all employees to wear their identification badges. She indicated there will be a behind the scenes tour on the Open House held on September 19th from noon to 8 p.m.

Commander Clore stated that the Police Department is very excited about the move. He indicated that the new Police Department complex complements the new City Hall complex. He detailed the amenities of the new complex. He thanked the Council for their support and welcomed everyone to the Open House on September 19th.

LaTrisha Woods encouraged attendance to the Open House.

6. Call to the Public

Jim Chaston approached the podium and addressed the Mayor and Council. He gave an update on the Maricopa's Got Talent event. He indicated the event is meant to promote the performing arts in the community as well as to generate funds for community organizations. He stated the event is hosted in partnership with Against Abuse, who is hosting three events in the following six months, including a 5k Run, Maricopa's Got Talent which runs from October thru December, and a Gala on March 1st 2014. He established that sponsors who registered early, before October 12th, would be recognized in all three events at the same price as the Gala sponsorship. He stated that participation tickets are tax credited. He introduced his daughter Aubrey Chaston.

Aubrey Chaston stated the goal of Maricopa's Got Talent is to promote performing arts. She indicated there will be three auditions held on October 12th, 18th, and 28th. She indicated the audition on the 18th will be held at Pacana Park as part of the Stagecoach Days, from 6p.m. to 8:30p.m and the other two will be from 9a.m to 2p.m in a location that is still to be determined. She stated auditions are open to all ages and talents. She directed the public to the city's Stagecoach Days website for more information or to the Maricopa's Got Talent event page on Facebook.

Business Incubator, Tom Baxter shared that Maricopa Center for Entrepreneurship (MCE) has developed a relationship with the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in Pinal County. He stated SBDC has reach out to 16 of their clients and invited them to participate in the MCE Business Competition. He stated that he is proud that organizations work together. He stated that Central Arizona College distributed information on their campus about MCE and their upcoming meet up and reached out two business clubs on campus to participate. He detailed more instances in which organizations have worked together. He indicated that two student research projects from Maricopa businesses and MCE clients are being reviewed by Texas Southern University for inclusion into their research projects. He stated that it reflects the benefits of MCE. He thanked the Mayor and Council.

Patrick Melvin stated that Pastor Darryl Anderson of New Beginnings Fellowship sends his apologies for not being able to attend, and that on behalf of Pastor Anderson he wanted to thank the City for renting out the Copa Center. He acknowledged former City Manager, Brenda Fischer, Management Analyst, Brenda Campbell, Community Services Director, Jennifer Campbell, and staff members who have always been very professional. He stated that membership has grown and once again thanked the Mayor and Council on behalf of the New Beginnings Fellowship family.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 13-71](#) Approval of Minutes from the August 20, 2013 City Council Work Session.

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

- 7.2 [MIN 13-72](#) Approval of Minutes from the August 20, 2013 City Council Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Councilmember Kimball, seconded by Councilmember

Potter, that the Minutes be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

8. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

9. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Potter, seconded by Councilwoman Gusse to Approve the Consent Agenda. This motion carried by a unanimous vote.

9.1 [MOU 13-06](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding through the Arizona Public Safety Procurement Program to participate in the Law Enforcement Equipment 1033 program. In addition, approval provides the Police Chief the authority to sign all necessary documents and submit an annual application for continued participation. Discussion and Action.

This Memorandum of Understanding was Approved.

9.2 [CON 13-34](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contract amendment with Crafcoc, Inc. increasing the contract from an amount not to exceed \$70,000 to an amount not to exceed \$150,000 for purchase of rubber crack seal material to be used in year-round crack sealing of city streets. This contract amendment will be funded from Local Road Maintenance Fund, Street Projects-Capital, Street Maintenance (20544145-67750-34005) as approved in the FY13-14 budget. The contract is based on Arizona Department of Transportation Contract Number ADSPO13-035060, and is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code, Article IV, Section 3-223, "Cooperative Purchasing." Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

9.3 [GRA 13-10](#)

The Mayor and Council shall discuss and take action to provide consent to submit an application to the Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice for a professional development scholarship of up to \$5,000 to attend the 2014 International Conference on Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, and Trafficking in Seattle, Washington. Consent to submit an application designates the City Manager and Police Chief to sign all necessary documents to complete the process. Discussion and Action.

This Consent to Apply for Grant was Approved.

9.4 [PUR 13-15](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a contingency request to fund the purchase of the Maricopa Public Library self-checkout machine from Gaylord Bros. in the amount not to exceed \$24,000 from General Fund, Non-Departmental, Contingency Funds (10010000-99000) to General Fund, Library, Computer Equipment/Software (10033135-67744). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

9.5 [CON 13-35](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving an

Award of Contract to Total Transit, Inc., for continued operation of Demand Response transit services. The contract term would be one year, beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014, with an option to renew for one additional year. This contract, in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, will be funded from the following line items: Not to exceed 58% (\$52,200) from Grants Fund, Transportation, Technical, Section 5311 (22044146-53340-14402); and not to exceed 42% (\$37,800) from General Fund, Transportation, Technical, Section 5311 (10044146-53340-14402). This Award of Contract is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Sec. 3-215. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.6 **BDGT 13-14** The Mayor and Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve a transfer in an amount not to exceed \$35,000 from General Fund, Contingency (10010000-99000) to General Fund, City Manager, Professional and Occupational (10011115-53320) for professional services related to the City Manager recruitment. Discussion and Action.

This Budgetary Transfer was Approved.

10. Regular Agenda

There were no items on the Regular Agenda.

11. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

- 11.1 **ES 13-01** 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 13-16** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with its attorneys and to consider its position and instruct representatives regarding entering into a development agreement with one or more landowners for improvements to State Route 347 near the intersection with Smith Enke Road and the potential terms thereof pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4).
- 11.3 **ES 13-22** The Maricopa City Council may go into executive session for the purpose of discussion or consultation with the City attorney and to receive legal advice and instruct representatives regarding the rules and regulations related to possessing a deadly weapon while on city property, at a public establishment or attending any public event pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

12. Adjournment

The City Council Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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

