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Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

Mayor Christian Price
Vice-Mayor Marvin L. Brown
Councilmember Peggy J. Chapados
Councilmember Bridger Kimball
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Nancy Smith
Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.

Tuesday, April 5, 2016

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Maricopa Police Chaplain, Paul Ellis gave the invocation

Vice Mayor Brown led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: 6 - Mayor Christian Price, Vice Mayor Marvin L. Brown, Councilmember Peggy Chapados, Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Nancy Smith and Councilmember Henry Wade

Absent: 1 - Councilmember Bridger Kimball

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

After the proclamations, Councilmember Smith stepped down to the lectern and gave information on this year's Rocket Challenge Event. She stated that General Dynamics celebrates Engineering Week by offering employees the opportunity for a grant to take engineering out to the community. She indicated she partnered with a rocket expert, the blended learning schools, volunteers from General Dynamics and Cactus School to host the event. She emphasized that STEM courses are critical to raising the grades within the schools in Maricopa. She stated the event consisted of contests for the highest distant reached and the best decorated rocket. She recognized Guy Smith, Vice President of the Superstition Spacemodeling Society and detailed his involvement as the rocket expert. She recognized teachers, Robin Rice, Joe S. and Mark Casanova (not present). She recognized Pinal County Supervisor, Anthony Smith for his volunteer work at the event, and from the Maricopa Unified School District (MUSD) and Rick Able and Tom Beckett (not present). Next, she acknowledged the General Dynamics staff that volunteered: Tom Barker and Sandi Brimhall. Lastly, she announced the winners: 2nd place for decoration, Taylor F followed by 1st place Mandy M; 2nd place for height reached, Noah G followed by 1st place Karrim M. Councilmember Smith commended the participants and posed for pictures with the winners.

3.1 [PROC 16-03](#) Start by Believing Day Proclamation

Mayor Price read the proclamation and proclaimed April 6, 2016 as Start by Believing

Day. He presented the proclamation to Jenna Ciotta and Ginger Butcher from the Start by Believing campaign.

Read

3.2 [PROC 16-04](#) Volunteer Recognition Proclamation

Mayor Price read the proclamation and proclaimed the week of April 10 through April 16, 2016 as National Volunteer Week. He presented the proclamation to Maricopa City volunteers.

Read

3.3 [PROC 16-05](#) Week of the Young Child Proclamation

Mayor Price read the proclamation and proclaimed the week of April 10 through the 16 as Week of the Young Child.

Read

4. Report from the Mayor

Mayor Price announced that as part of the National Crime Victim's Rights Week, the 4th Annual Jerry Good Victim's Rights Project would take place Monday, April 11 from 5 to 8 p.m. at Copper Sky Recreational Complex. He encouraged attendance. He informed the public about the American Planning Association's (APA) mobile workshop and reported attending an Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) meeting. He discussed the success of the Salsa Festival and followed with an announcement that the City has entered the budget season. He noted that budget meetings are open to the public and encouraged participation. Next, he reported attending the Maricopa Police Volunteer Awards dinner, and then stated that the Battle of the Burbs would be closing at midnight. He explained why participating in the radio contest is important the City and invited the community to attend the concert if the city was declared the winner.

For his last announcement the Mayor stepped down to the lectern and invited local business owner, Peter Cockle to join him. He stated that Mr. Cockle (a soccer scout) was in the process of bringing an international soccer team to Maricopa. He emphasized that their presence in Maricopa would draw national and international attention from businesses and fans. A video was played on Deportivo Saprissa, the national championship team from Costa Rica.

Mr. Cockle gave additional information on Saprissa including that they would play two teams during their preseason training in Maricopa; one professional team from San Diego and the other comprised of selected players from Arizona. He noted they expect about 6,000 fans in attendance, per game. He added they would host soccer clinics, youth camps and a free open training session at Copper Sky. He stated that if everything goes well, Maricopa could have a professional soccer team by January 2017. He stated that Saprissa committed to three years and reiterated it was a great economic and marketing opportunity. He stated that pro teams that have trained in Casa Grande have already approached with the hopes of participating with Saprissa next year.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Rose invited Interim Finance Director, Brenda Hasler to the lectern.

Mrs. Hasler introduced the new Purchasing Manager, Kathleen Shipman and gave a brief background of her experience.

Next, City Manager Rose invited Community Services Director, Kristie Riester to report on the Salsa Festival. Mrs. Riester stated that there were over 10,000 people in attendance and elaborated on other highlights of the event. She stated the voting app, developed by Ruben Garcia, was a success and then a video of the event was played. City Manager Rose acknowledged the Ak-Chin Community for facilitating the partnership with the Arizona Rattlers.

6. Call to the Public

Planning and Zoning Vice-Chair, Ted Yocum addressed the Mayor and Council. He stated that he attended the APA's Annual National Planning Conference in Phoenix with Commissioners Ron Batt and Bob Marsh. He gave information on the conference and stated that they chose their seminars based on Maricopa's needs. He noted it was a great educational experience and detailed themes of the sessions and what they learned.

Ginger Butcher, Chair of the Pinal County Domestic Violence Coalition approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. She gave a brief background on the coalition and stated the coalition adopted the Start by Believing Campaign. She invited, Start by Believing Project Coordinator, Jenna Ciotta to give some information on the campaign. Mrs. Ciotta gave a brief background on the campaign. She stated the goal is to end the stigma associated with experiencing or reporting sexual violence. She stated the Maricopa Police Department has agreed to participate in the campaign and directed anyone interested in more information to the website startbybelieving.org or to contact Miss Butcher or herself.

United States Pickleball Association (USAPA) Ambassador, Rocky Myers approached the lectern and addressed the Mayor and Council. He requested that the Council consider building 8 pickleball courts in Maricopa. He reported collecting 68 emails from residents who would support the notion. He gave information on pickleball and stated the USAPA would be playing in Palm Creek this year and that it would be a great way to market the City. He asked all pickleball players in attendance to stand up for recognition. He discussed reasons why pickleball courts would be a benefit to the city.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 16-33](#) Approval of Minutes from the March 15, 2016 City Council Work Session.

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

- 7.2 [MIN 16-34](#) Approval of Minutes from the March 15, 2016 City Council Regular meeting.

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

- 7.3 [MIN 16-35](#) Approval of Minutes from the March 22, 2016 City Council Special meeting.

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

8. Public Hearings

There were no public hearings.

9. Consent Agenda

9.1 [SUB13-02](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve subdivision case # SUB13-02 Cortona Phase 1A, a request for final plat approval to subdivide 131.6 acres of land into a 258 single family lot subdivision. Discussion and Action.

Councilmember Chapados stated that she wanted the public to be aware that the agenda item pertained to a half-street improvement and inquired if there was something that precluded the City from requesting that the developers develop the entire street. Public Works Director, Bill Fay provided a visual map and explained that if the developer does not own the land, the City cannot legally require that they develop the entire road. Councilmember Chapados expressed concerns that it could be a public safety issue and that it could impact the wear and tear of public safety vehicles. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding development agreements, road dedications, impact fees, public safety concerns and possible reimbursement agreements. Councilmember Chapados thanked Mr. Fay for all the information and emphasized that growth should pay for growth so it does not become a burden to the taxpayer.

Senior Planner, Rodolfo Lopez requested a small amendment be made by striking; "258" single family lots and replacing with "352."

A motion was made by Councilmember Chapados, seconded by Vice Mayor Brown, that this Subdivision be Approved as Amended. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Henry Wade, seconded by Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, to Adopt the Consent Agenda except for Agenda Items 9.1 and 9.11. The motion carried with a unanimous vote.

9.3 [GRA 16-08](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to ratify the submission of a grant application (EMW-2015-FH-00425) to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant program for the addition of 2 Firefighters to MFD in the amount of \$333,864. Discussion and Action.

This Consent to Apply for Grant was Approved.

9.4 [GRA 16-09](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to provide consent to submit multiple grant applications to the Arizona Auto Theft Authority to purchase additional equipment to increase MPDs ability to deter auto theft and capture auto theft fugitives. The grant applications will not exceed \$100,000. Consent to submit an application provides the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to complete the grant process. Discussion and Action.

This Consent to Apply for Grant was Approved.

- 9.5 [GRA 16-11](#) The Mayor and City Council shall hear and possibly take action to ratify the submission of multiple grant applications to the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS). The grants will provide funding for overtime and additional equipment. Discussion and Action.

This Consent to Apply for Grant was Approved.

- 9.6 [RES 16-11](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, pertaining to the submission of projects for consideration in the Arizona's 2017 Highway Safety Plan. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 9.7 [CON 16-12](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve two Contracts with Century Link to provide communications lines for Copper Sky Police Substation. The Contract for QC Intra Metro Ethernet has no initial cost, a monthly recurring charge of \$855.44, a minimum service period of 12 months, and a Special Construction Cost of \$31,900. The Special Construction Cost may be waived if the City continues the service for a minimum five year Contract Term. If the City terminates the Contract prior to the five year term, the City may be required to pay a prorated portion of the Special Construction Cost. The Contract for QC Intra PRI ISDN has no initial cost, a monthly recurring charge of \$299.00 and has a minimum service period of 12 months. Funding for these contracts will be drawn from General Fund, Police Support, Phone Service (10022123-55530). Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.8 [PUR 16-04](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a purchase of a mission critical microwave link between the Maricopa RWC Tower site and the Copper Sky Communication Center for the City of Maricopa Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$59,017. This purchase is in accordance with the City of Maricopa Purchasing Code, Article IV, Section 3-223, Cooperative Purchasing and will be paid from Capital Project fund, police Administration (35022121-67720-32016). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

- 9.9 [CON 16-13](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve an Interim Presiding Judge Agreement with Lyle Riggs. Discussion and Action.

This Contract was Approved.

- 9.10 [PUR 16-05](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the purchase of a Dyna Jet L30 Cold Fogger for use by the Community Services Park Maintenance division. This purchase, in the amount not to exceed \$15,000 is in compliance with City of Maricopa Purchasing Code Article IV, Section 3-213, Purchases in General and will be paid with a budget transfer of \$15,000 from the City Contingency Fund (10010000-99000) to Park Maintenance, Non-Capital Improvements (10033132-55690). Discussion and Action.

This Purchase was Approved.

- 9.11 [CON 16-14](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approval of a Second Amendment to the Master Planning and Marketing Agreement with The Boyer Company L.C. for the planning, design, marketing, disposition and future

development of land within the Estrella Gin Business Park for light industrial, flex and office space purposes. Discussion and Action.

Councilmember Wade inquired about marketing. Economic Development Director, Denyse Airheart explained that, the one year contract was initially approved in June 2014 and then it was extended for one more year. She explained that during the course there were delays with acquiring the property, and Boyer was requesting an extension to continue negotiations and marketing. She detailed the marketing efforts and added they are actively working leads. She stated that the Economic Development Newsletter has recently added an article in the Estrella Gin property and it was now being marketed and leads were actively being followed.

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

10. Regular Agenda

- 10.1 [APP 16-02](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on appointing one citizen to fill a vacancy on the Merit Board. Discussion and Action.

*Councilmember Chapados moved to reappoint Mr. Carlson.
Councilmember Manfredi acknowledged the other applicant and encouraged him to look for other openings.*

A motion was made by Councilmember Chapados, seconded by Vice Mayor Brown, that this Appointment be Appointed. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 10.2 [CON 16-16](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approval of a First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with Piper Jaffray & Co. for financial services and authorize the City Manager to move forward with appealing the transfer/loss of primary property tax revenue. Discussion and Action.

Finance Director, Brenda Hassler presented on the amended Piper Jaffrey agreement. Mayor Price elaborated on the 1% tax cap and stated that Piper Jaffrey would analyze possible ways to approach and other solutions.

A motion was made by Councilmember Manfredi, seconded by Councilmember Chapados, that this Contract be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

11. Executive Session

A motion was made at 8: 39 p.m. by Vice Mayor Marvin L. Brown, seconded by Councilmember Henry Wade, to enter in to Executive Session. The motion carried unanimously.

- 11.1 **ES 16-05** 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).

12. Adjournment

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 April, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2016.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk