



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Draft 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, April 2, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Bishop Ryan Atwood, from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Hidden Valley ward, gave the invocation. Councilmember Smith led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 [PROC 19-02](#) National Crime Victim Right's Week Proclamation

Mayor Price read the Proclamation and proclaimed April 7th to the 13th, 2019 as National Crime Victim Rights week in the City of Maricopa, and presented it to City of Maricopa Victim Advocates.

Read

3.2 [PROC 19-04](#) Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month Proclamation

Mayor Price read the Proclamation and proclaimed the month of April, 2019 as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month in the City of Maricopa.

Read

4. Report from the Mayor

Councilmember Smith reported attending the Women on the Verge Conference. She commended Community Services Director, Nathan Ulyot and Administrative Assistant, Brandie for the programming and services for seniors. She reported attending the first Senior BBQ and the second Senior Lunch and Learn on the topic of hearing loss. She announced the next session would be on April 19th on the topic of Creative Health Solutions by speaker Cindy Price. Next, she reported attending a Be Awesome fundraiser and gave information on the organization. She encouraged involvement.

Next, she reported attending the Pinal Partnership Breakfast and added they discussed water challenges. Lastly, she reported attending a DECA advisory meeting. She gave information on the high school organization and noted they were invited to talk about their successes at a future council meeting.

Vice Mayor Wade reported attending some of the same events already reported. He commended the Women on the Verge Conference. He reported attending the Prom Dress Pop-Up Boutique and the Salsa Festival. He stated over \$3,500 was awarded in prizes to contestants and elaborated. Next, he reported attending a meeting at Global Water with Arizona Corporation Commissioner Boyd Dunn and elaborated. He reported that a youth group with AANCP was working on a competition and added they held a car wash fundraiser on March 17th. Lastly, he thanked the Mayor and Council for appointing him as Vice Mayor.

Councilwoman Gusse announced that it was Autism Awareness Day. She reported on the success of the Women on the Verge Conference and commended Administrative Services Director, Jennifer Brown and other speakers at the event. She gave details on the presenters and elaborated.

Councilmember Vitiello reported attending the Salsa Festival and acknowledged the staff members that coordinated the event including, Mike Riggs, Matt Reiter, Nathan Ulyot and Niesha Whitman. He reported attending the Senior BBQ and Game Night. He encouraged participation to Game Nights and added they were held the last Friday of every month. Lastly, he reported on the third annual Izzy Softball Tournament and thanked participants for their contributions.

Councilmember Brown reported speaking on the proposed Equal Right's Amendment in 1975 and noted it was important for it to become law. He reported attending a Be Awesome meeting in Tempe and added it was important to support and promote such organizations. He reported attending the Salsa Festival. Lastly, he reported being interviewed by Professor Steven Miller from the University of Colorado about water issues.

Councilmember Manfredi commended the Salsa Festival and reported participating as celebrity judge.

Mayor Price reported visiting the new Eloy City Hall and attending various Home Owner Association (HOA) community events. He discussed the Maricopa Advocate Program (MAP) and the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC). He stated he was the Chair of GPEC's Ambassador Program and reported going on a helicopter ride with members of GPEC and SRP to tour the Arizona Watershed. He elaborated on the tour and discussed water issues. Lastly, he reported hosting a tour of Maricopa for Arizona Corporation Commissioner Boyd Dunn and elaborated.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Horst announced there would be an Open House on April 23rd from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at City Hall for citizens to review the initial concept design for the library, ask questions, and make comments. He presented pictures of the proposed Pinal County Complex and thanked Pinal County Supervisor Smith. He stated the complex would include an administration services, a court and a sheriff's office. Next, he provided an aerial picture of the new APEX track and elaborated. He turned the presentation to Economic Development Director, Denyse Airheart. Mrs. Airheart introduced new Economic Development Specialist, Jennifer Bostian and gave a brief

summary of her professional experience. Mrs. Bostian thanked the City of the opportunity.

6. Call to the Public

Ronald Smith, member of the Maricopa Multicultural Consortium gave information on a grant opportunity from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). He stated the grant could be used to establish a resource center in advance of the senior center. He elaborated on the grant opportunity and requested a meeting with staff as soon as possible because the deadline to apply for the grant was approaching on April 17th. Mayor Price directed him to contact Community Services Director, Nathan Ullyot.

Woodstock, with Bikers Against Child Abuse, a 501 3c organization read their mission statement and stated there were four chapters of the organization in Arizona. He elaborated on the organization and their services.

Maricopa High School (MHS) Theatre Instructor, Alexandra Stahl gave information on MHS Theatre Company. She stated that 19 students qualified to attend nationals in Nebraska on June 24th through the 29th. She stated their goal was to raise approximately \$20,000 for their trip. The MHS Theatre Company gave a brief performance. She stated their spring musical, Fiddler on the Roof would be playing from April 25th to the 27 in the Performing Arts Center in MHS.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 19-26](#) Approval of Minutes from the March 19, 2019 City Council Regular meeting.

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

8. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, seconded by Councilmember Nancy Smith, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

- 8.1 [RES 19-16](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, adopting a fair housing policy, making known this commitment to the principle of Fair Housing Policy, and describing actions it shall undertake to affirmatively further fair housing. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 8.2 [MOU 19-01](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve extending the 2017-2019 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Maricopa Officers Council - Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 78 for an additional year. Discussion and Action.

This Memorandum of Understanding was Approved.

- 8.3 [MOU 19-02](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve

extending the 2017-2019 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Maricopa Sergeants Council - Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 78 for an additional year. Discussion and Action.

This Memorandum of Understanding was Approved.

9. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

9.1 [APP 19-02](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on making appointments to the various committees whose terms are expired or are vacant. Discussion and Action.

Councilmember Manfredi nominated Lynn Bernier for his appointment to the Age-Friendly Advisory Committee.

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

9.2 [ORD 19-04](#)

An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, amending Section 301.04, Section 301.05, and Section 301.06 of the Maricopa City Zoning Code regarding the Transportation Corridor Overlay and providing for severability and the effective date thereof. Discussion and Action.

Planning and Zoning Manager, Rodolfo Lopez presented the item. He stated that since the adoption of the 2014 Zoning Code, staff has processed several variances from Article 301 Transportation Corridor Overlay. He stated the amendment would allow staff additional flexibility to work with developers to meet the intent of the code while still maintaining the purpose of the overlay. He discussed the notification process including legal notice published in the local paper and a public hearing was held. He stated on March 11, 2019 the Planning & Zoning Commission recommended approval of TXT 18-04 and Ordinance 19-04. He opened the floor for questions.

Mayor Price asked for clarification. Mr. Lopez elaborated on both Ordinance 19-04 and Ordinance 19-05.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Wade, seconded by Councilmember Manfredi, that this Ordinance be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 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

9.3 [ORD 19-05](#)

An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, amending Section 501.06, Section 501.07, Table 501.11, Table 502.06 and Section 504.08 of the Maricopa City Zoning Code regarding the requirement for a Hearing Officer for specific application types and providing for severability and the effective date thereof. Discussion and Action.

Planning and Zoning Manager, Rodolfo Lopez presented the item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Manfredi, seconded by Councilmember Vitiello, that this Ordinance be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 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

10. Executive Session

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, seconded by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, to Adjourn at 8:02 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 2nd day of April, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2019.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk