



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, June 4, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular meeting was called to order at 7:27 p.m. Maricopa Police Chaplain, Paul Ellis gave the invocation and Vice Mayor Wade led 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

4. Report from the Mayor

Councilmember Brown reported attending Assistant Fire Chief, Lonnie Inskeep's retirement event and commended his tenure with the City. He reported attending the groundbreaking ceremony for Mount Moriah Community Church and the Arizona League of Cities and Towns (AZ League) quarterly meeting for the Business Economic Development Committee. He elaborated on the topics of discussion at the League's meeting and announced the next meeting would be on June 28th.

Councilmember Smith reported attending the theatre production of Mamma Mia by the Maricopa Community Theatre. She commended the performance and encouraged attendance. Next, she reported attending the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG), Economic Development Committee meeting. She stated they discussed a recent trip to Canada by some of the members and elaborated.

Vice Mayor Wade reported on the Sequoia Pathway Academy High School Graduation and noted there were 58 graduates. He reported he had the opportunity to support the AZ League and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). He reported attending the Flag Ceremony on Memorial Day at the veteran's center. He reported attending a graduation dinner for Evan Grace and commended his community service. He reported attending a meeting of AZ League's, Public Safety, Military and Courts Committee and elaborated on the topic of police recruitment. Lastly, he reported also attending the groundbreaking ceremony for Mount Moriah church with Councilmember Brown.

Councilwoman Gusse acknowledged representatives from the veteran's center, the O'Jons who delivered an appreciation gift to Dr. Jarvis of Foothill Smiles for providing free dental services to veterans. She discussed the General Appropriation Bill and funding for veteran services and emphasized the importance of veteran suicide awareness. She announced that June was PTSD Awareness month and added there would be workshops available in the valley.

Mayor Price reported traveling on assignment to Washington DC and to Las Vegas for the International Council of Shopping Center's (ICSC) convention with Councilwoman Gusse. He elaborated on ICSC and stated great things were on the horizon. He reported attending the Maricopa High School graduation and noted there were approximately 640 graduates. He reported attending an Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) study session and elaborated on the discussion of possible solutions to State Route (SR) 347 issues. He emphasized that any potential solution had to be a joint effort between the City of Maricopa, Gila River Indian Community, MAG and ADOT. He added that ADOT would approve their 5 year plan in two weeks in Pinetop, Arizona and elaborated on the plan. He discussed the importance of building partnerships and added that ADOT would have a meeting in Maricopa's Council Chambers the third week of September. He discussed this year's legislative session and elaborated on the implementation of the Arizona's Wayfair Decision. He discussed the ripple effect of economic development and added that Robson Walton was in town to race one of his cars at APEX Motorclub.

5. Report from the City Manager

There were no items reported.

6. Call to the Public

Antonia Pr sum  Chair of the Maricopa Chamber of Commerce (Chamber), Ambassador Committee introduced co-members, Suzanne and Sylvia. She stated the Chamber had the following new committees: the Young Entrepreneur Committee, the Women in Business Committee, the Special Events Committee and the Ambassador Committee. Next, she detailed some of their past and future events.

Sylvia White, with the Maricopa Chamber of Commerce announced the following new Chamber members: Lawrence Wells, Robert Felix, Heather Blakely, Vanessa Dubois, Kristina Donnay, Kimberly Ellsworth, Karen Pozzolo, Kenneth and Nicole Anderson, Kent O'Jon, Barbara Brady, Connor Boggs, Sandra Dyk, and Tara Pellatier.

Suzanne Burt, with the Maricopa Chamber of Commerce encouraged joining and thanked the Council.

7. Minutes

7.1 [MIN 19-40](#)

Approval of Minutes from the May 21, 2019 City Council Regular meeting.

Councilmember Brown amended his report during the Mayor's Report, he stated he incorrectly reported that Jake Lenderking would represent Global Water, and clarified that Mr. Lenderking would represent the water utilities without CAP water contracts.

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

8. Consent Agenda

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Nancy Smith, seconded by Councilmember Rich Vitiello, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- 8.1 [RES 19-20](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, endorsing the Pinal County I-11 Coalition's support for the Federal Highway Administration and Arizona Department of Transportation's Interstate 11 Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement and Preliminary Section 4(F) Evaluation. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 8.2 [RES 19-22](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, accepting public improvements and maintenance responsibility for all local internal streets within Parcel 19 of the Homestead North Subdivision into the City Street/Road Maintenance System. Discussion and Action.

This Resolution was Approved.

- 8.3 [IGA 19-03](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) and the City of Maricopa for the collection and administration of transaction privilege and affiliated excise taxes imposed by the City of Maricopa. Discussion and Action.

This Intergovernmental Agreement was Approved.

- 8.4 [LIQ 19-02](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action recommending approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control regarding an application submitted by Kim Kwiatkowski on behalf of Circle K Store #3486 which is located at 41433 W. Honeycutt Road. Discussion and Action.

This Liquor License was Approved.

9. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

- 9.1 [MISC 19-21](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on a request by City Manager Horst to adopt the City of Maricopa Strategic Plan. Discussion and Action.
- City Manager Horst gave background on the 2040 Vision Plan and stated it was missing the necessary steps to do it. He stated the Strategic Plan was initially presented during the strategic planning session in January and attention was drawn to WIG's and top ten goals. He explained the Strategic Plan was a two year document that intended to provide a higher level of strategic direction that would give the community a better sense of where the City was headed. He stated the Departmental Action Plans were designed to take the Strategic Plan and break it down to shorter, more actionable units. He stated together, the Strategic Plan, the Action, the Operating budget and CIP would help keep focus on the main goals.*

Mayor Price asked City Manager Horst if he could clarify what WIG's were. City

Manager Horst responded a WIG was a Wildly Imaginative Goal and elaborated.

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

9.2 [PH 19-05](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear public comment regarding the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds expected to be in the amount of \$180,000. This item will be presented by Cassandra Brown.

Grants and Budget Coordinator, Cassandra Brown asked the audience to please sign in due to federal funding requirements and stated this would be the second public meeting. She reviewed the objectives of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding and gave a grant overview. She detailed the following eligible areas: Heritage District, 7 Ranches and Saddle Vista Farms. She stated that based on community feedback, she recommended focusing on the Maricopa Town Site. She stated the City of Maricopa expected to receive approximately \$180,000 and elaborated. She detailed the following potential CDBG project: Heritage District Neighborhood Revitalization Program. She stated the program would assist homeowners with exterior improvements, street side landscaping, health and safety welfare repairs and installation of ten modern decorative concrete lighting poles. She opened the public hearing at 8:12 p.m.

Elizabeth Howell asked how the State Route 347 Overpass construction would affect the improvements. City Manager Horst clarified that a partial area was purchased by ADOT and would not be included in the improvement area. He added the area was not residential.

Heritage District resident, Grace Gomez thank the City for being patient and elaborated. She stated the Heritage District was in need of lighting, road improvements, curves and proper water drainage. She stated many of the residents included disabled senior citizens and stated that it would be a great opportunity to improve the neighborhood. She discussed multi-generations and welcomed any help.

The Public Hearing was closed 8:17 p.m. City Manager Horst stated there were other projects in the Heritage District that would not be part of the CDBG. He stated the new location of the Zephyr would become a community park and Pershing Avenue would be repaved.

Cassandra Brown closed by saying that the Resolution for authorization to apply to the CDBG would be presented at the next council meeting.

Vice Mayor Wade stated he was happy to be part of promises kept and stated he was hoping the projects would take place. He thanked Grace Gomez for supporting the community.

Councilwoman Gusse asked regarding landscaping was still happening even if it was not part of the CDBG. City Manager Horst confirmed it was. Mayor Price elaborated on the budget process and hardships of allocating funds for special projects. He explained the process of the CDBG funds.

The Public Hearing was held.

10. Executive Session

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, seconded by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, to Adjourn at 8:25 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 4th day of June, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 18th day of June, 2019.

Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk