



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Work Session

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Councilmember Marvin L. Brown
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Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Nancy Smith
Councilmember Rich Vitiello

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Work Session was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Agenda Items

3.1 [WS 18-01](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall review items on the Regular City Council meeting agenda.

There were no comments or concerns.

3.2 [WS 18-02](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear reports on meeting and/or conferences attended by Council.

Vice Mayor Wade reported meeting with Gila River Indian Community Governor, Stephen Lewis and with Mayor Price. He stated Governor Lewis visited City Hall and received a tour and then sat down to discuss issues such as growth and transportation.

Councilmember Manfredi reported attending the swearing-in of the State Legislature and the State of the State Address. He elaborated and stated it was a great opportunity to talk and explain what was important to the City of Maricopa.

3.3 [WSPRES 19-01](#)

The Mayor and City Council shall hear a presentation regarding Global Water Resources Updates on the Eloy Maricopa-Stanfield Water Basin Study.

Ron Fleming, President and CEO of Global Water Resources (GWR) gave updates and announced that a Capital Improvement Program was approved by the Board of Directors to invest approximately 8 million dollar in the City of Maricopa. He elaborated that the funds would be used on various projects including a new facility in Maricopa and pipeline projects. He discussed the benefits of the planned facility and gave a brief update on other projects. Next, he discussed water supply issues in the State of Arizona and Pinal County and the role of the Water Resources Committee. He turned

the presentation over to Jake Lenderking.

Mr. Lenderking with GWR gave a presentation on the Eloy Maricopa-Stanfield Water Basin Study. He gave a brief background on the Colorado River water supply and storage and inflow. He discussed the water supply in Pinal County and the Drought Contingency Plan reductions. He detailed the potential solutions including additional sources of water, reuse and conservation, and total water management. He detailed the plans of the basin study, the limitations, previous work, the decision making process, the study tasks and the schedule. He discussed the elements of the final report and stated that participation from stakeholders and working groups was encouraged. He provided the following link for additional information <http://pinalpartnership.com/ems-basin-study/> and stated monthly meetings were scheduled. He thanked the Mayor and Council and opened the floor for questions.

Mayor Price asked Mr. Fleming if he could explain to the average person what they were trying to accomplish. Mr. Fleming elaborated how water shortages were impacting other parts of the state and explained that GWR was planning ahead.

Vice Mayor Wade inquired about the scope of work of the stakeholders. Mr. Fleming elaborated on the Pinal Partnership and other organizations within Pinal County. He directed anyone interested in participating in the study to contact Jake Lenderking.

Councilmember Smith asked what the City Council should be looking at when approving new developments. Mr. Fleming elaborated. Councilmember Brown stated that at some point population would have to be curtailed and elaborated. Mr. Fleming responded that he believed Pinal County could manage a significant amount of growth and elaborated. Mayor Price thanked both Mr. Fleming and Mr. Lenderking for the presentation.

The Presentation was heard.

4. Executive Session

5. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mayor Christian Price, seconded by Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, to Adjourn at 6:52 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 work session of the City Council of Maricopa, Arizona, held on the 15th day of January, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 5th day of February, 2019.

**Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk**