



# City of Maricopa

## Meeting Minutes - Final

### City Council Special Meeting

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Tuesday, June 4, 2019

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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1. **Call to Order**

*The City Council Special meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

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

3. **Agenda Items and/or Public Hearings**

3.1 **PH 19-06**

The Mayor and City Council shall hear public comment on the City's primary property tax levy for Fiscal Year 19-20. This item will be presented by Angele Ozoemelam.

*Angele Ozoemelam, Financial Services Manager stated that in compliance with Arizona Revised Statutes, the city notified property taxpayers of the city's intent to raise primary property taxes. She explained the city proposed an increase in the primary property taxes of \$557,852 or 4.45%. She stated the primary tax levy would be brought for adoption by Council, no later than the July 17, 2019 regular council meeting. The public hearing was opened for public comment at 7:05 p.m. There were no public comments. Mayor Price clarified that the proposed increase was exclusive of increased primary property taxes and elaborated. The public hearing was closed at 7:05 p.m.*

**The Public Hearing was held.**

3.2 **PH 19-04**

The Mayor and City Council shall hear public comment regarding adoption of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. This item will be presented by Angele Ozoemelam.

*Angele Ozoemelam, Financial Services Manager stated the Arizona Revised Statutes required the city to hold a public hearing for taxpayers to comment on the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 prior to formal adoption. The public hearing opened and closed at 7:08 p.m. with no public comments.*

**The Public Hearing was held.**

3.3 **RES 19-23**

A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 (FY19-20). Discussion and Action.

*City Manager Horst stated the budget was presented in detail on a previous meeting, and citizens had a 30 day opportunity to comment but no comments were received. He invited questions and recommended approval of the final budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the Capital Improvement Projects (CIP). Mayor Price noted that the total secondary total debt service tax rate went down. City Manager Horst added that the entire budget also went down.*

*Councilwoman Gusse discussed dues and memberships to different organizations. She inquired why there was a membership to the Canada Arizona Business Council (CABC) and not the Arizona-Mexico Commission (AMC). City Manager Horst stated that based on the potential benefit and the low membership cost, he recommended considering membership. He noted there was enough room in the budget to do so. Vice Mayor Wade spoke in support of joining the AMC. Councilmember Manfredi stated he had no issue with joining AMC but stated he would like to learn more. Councilwoman Gusse elaborated on the organization. She asked what the benefits were from joining CABC.*

*Mayor Price supported joining AMC and elaborated on the organization at state level. He discussed CABC and explained why the City decided to join. He stated that both organizations would be beneficial and spoke in support of both. Councilmember Vitiello asked where and how often AMC met. Councilwoman Gusse responded there were separate committees that met at different times and places. She stated that the head of the annual conference would be the Arizona Governor and added the event would be at the end of the month. Councilmember Vitiello spoke in support of joining AMC.*

*Councilwoman Gusse recalled previous discussions about the instability of the Central Arizona Governments (CAG) and inquired about the benefits of the membership. City Manager Horst elaborated that part of the amount was for the Pinal County Regional Transportation Authority (RTA). He recommended approving the budget and having a work session in the following weeks or months to discuss this in detail. Councilwoman Gusse assented and asked if the membership with the Pinal Alliance could be added as well. City Manager Horst stated that he would be meeting with the organization and elaborated. Mayor Price elaborated on the complexity of separating from CAG and recommended including them in the discussion.*

*City Manager Horst, asked for direction on the approval of membership to AMC. Councilmember Smith asked for clarification on the membership with AMC. Discussion ensued. City Manager Horst recommended approving the capacity in the budget and bringing the item back at the June 18th meeting.*

**A motion was made by Councilmember Brown, seconded by Councilmember Vitiello, that this Resolution be Approved as Amended to include the capacity for membership to the Arizona-Mexico Commission. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye;** 7 - Mayor Price, Councilmember Gusse, Councilmember Brown, Vice Mayor Wade, Councilmember Smith, Councilmember Manfredi and Councilmember Vitiello

#### **4. Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Councilmember Marvin L. Brown, seconded by Vice Mayor Henry Wade, to Adjourn at 7:27 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 special 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.

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Vanessa Bueras  
City Clerk