



City of Maricopa

Meeting Minutes - Final City Council Regular Meeting

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Mayor Christian Price
Vice-Mayor Nancy Smith
Councilmember Amber Liermann
Councilmember Vincent Manfredi
Councilmember Bob Marsh
Councilmember Rich Vitiello
Councilmember Henry M. Wade Jr.

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

1. Call to Order

The City Council Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Robert Weyrauch, president of the Maricopa Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints gave the invocation and Councilmember Manfredi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, Councilmember Rich Vitiello, Councilmember Henry Wade, Councilmember Amber Liermann, Vice Mayor Nancy Smith, Mayor Christian Price and Councilmember Bob Marsh

3. Proclamations, Acknowledgements and Awards

4. Report from the Mayor

Vice Mayor Smith reported on the Pinal Partnership Economic Development Committee meeting she attended earlier in the day. She elaborated on the items discussed.

Councilmember Vitiello reported speaking with the CEO of Exceptional Health and elaborated on their discussion regarding medicaid, medicare and other insurances.

Councilmember Marsh reported on the Future Planning of the City presentation by City Manager Horst. He directed anyone interested in a summary to an article in the InMaricopa magazine.

Councilmember Wade commented on the Presidential Inauguration on January 20, 2021. He stated he hoped it was a peaceful transfer of power and that he looked forward to the transition.

Councilmember Manfredi reiterated he also hoped for a peaceful transfer of power. Next, he reported touring the new library and commended the progress.

Councilmember Liermann stated the Cultural Affairs and Arts Committee installed a

new art gallery at City Hall themed, Arizona Wildlife. She reported attending the Business and Education Committee meeting on January 11th and elaborated on the topics. Next, she thanked City Manager Horst for the Future Planning presentation. She thanked Community Services Director, Nathan Ulyot and his staff for the Copa Glow event. Lastly, she invited Veterans to attend the Meet and Greet on January the 23rd and 25th to meet with volunteer counselors and learn about the services provided.

Vice Mayor Nancy stated she was in contact with Pinal County Supervisor, Jeffrey McClure to discuss and better understand the County's COVID-19 vaccine distribution. She stated she invited him to speak at the next City Council meeting and elaborated.

Mayor Price reported attending various meetings with, the Arizona League of Cities and Towns, the Greater Phoenix Economic Council's (GPEC), the Canadian Arizona Business Council (CABC), the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and so on. He announced a new legislative session had started and stated the City's Legislative Platform would be discussed later tonight. He stated that Representative Bret Roberts introduced a House Bill (HB 2802) that would appropriate \$35 million for funding of an overpass at State Route 347 and elaborated on the process. He thanked staff for the Copa Glow event and discussed the concerns that were expressed due to the current pandemic.

5. Report from the City Manager

City Manager Horst gave information on last Thursday's Future Planning presentation. He thanked all staff, the media present, the Mayor and Council. He elaborated on the presentation and thanked everyone involved.

6. Call to the Public

Barry McCain from Arizona City discussed the events that took place in the Capitol on January 6, 2021.

Torri Anderson with Against Abuse Inc., thanked the businesses that adopted families from the shelter during the holidays and the volunteers that have worked through the pandemic. She welcomed and thanked newly appointed Maricopa Police Department Chief Hughes. Lastly, she welcomed Councilmember Wade to the Against Abuse Board of Directors.

7. Minutes

- 7.1 [MIN 21-03](#) Approval of Minutes from the December 15, 2020 City Council Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Smith, seconded by Councilmember Wade, 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 Councilmember Vincent Manfredi, seconded by Vice Mayor Nancy Smith, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

- 8.1 [CON 21-01](#) The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving a Communications License with Zayo Group, LLC for an initial ten-year term with one additional automatic ten-year renewal option, and authorizing the City Manager to execute any necessary documents related thereto. Discussion and Action. Licensee intends to construct infrastructure for use by telecommunications companies, businesses, entities and/or individuals by providing conduit and fiber optic network capability in City's public Right-of-Way. Discussion and Action.
- This Contract was Approved.**
- 8.2 [RES 21-02](#) 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 44 of the Rancho El Dorado Phase III subdivision, into the city street/road maintenance system. Discussion and Action.
- This Resolution was Approved.**
- 8.3 [RES 21-03](#) A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, declaring as a public record that certain document filed with the City Clerk and entitled "Amendment to Chapter 8 - Health and Safety," relating to the update of rules and regulations relating to garbage and trash removal and refuse services within the City of Maricopa and amending the Maricopa City Code by adding Sections 8.05.020(D) - (G) and amending Section 8.15.010(A), Section 8.15.010(H) and Section 8.15.090. Discussion and Action. Item related to ORD 20-20.
- This Resolution was Approved.**
- 8.4 [ORD 21-01](#) An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, adopting "Amendment to Chapter 8: Health and Safety" by reference to add Sections 8.05.020(D) - (G) and amend Section 8.15.010(A), Section 8.15.010(H) and Section 8.15.090 of the Maricopa City Code and providing for severability and the effective date thereof. Discussion and Action.
- This Ordinance was Approved.**
- 8.5 [LIQ 21-01](#) 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 on behalf of Sunrise Cafe which is located at 20917 N. John Wayne Parkway, #A104. Discussion and Action.
- This Liquor License was Approved.**

9. Regular Agenda and/or Public Hearings

- 9.1 [MISC 21-02](#) The Mayor and Council shall discuss and possibly take action on approving the 2021 Legislative Platform. Discussion and action.
- Dale Wiebusch, Intergovernmental Affairs Director gave a PowerPoint Legislative Presentation to Council. He gave a brief session timeline, and detailed the process for successful bills. He turned the presentation to Tod Boughman with the Policy Development Group (PDG). Mr. Bowman detailed the make up of the legislative this year and the potential challenges. Mr. Wiebusch presented the City of Maricopa 2021 Legislative Platform. He gave an overview of legislative categories that are important to municipalities. He provided resources and elaborated on the request to speak system.*

Councilmember Manfredi asked how the community could show support for Representative Bret Roberts's House Bill (HB 2802). Mr. Wiebusch stated that if they had a request to speak account, they could weigh in on the bill and if they didn't they could write to their representatives. Discussion ensued regarding the CARES Act.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Smith, seconded by Councilmember Wade, that the City of Maricopa 2021 Legislative Platform be Approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10. Executive Session

11. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember Rich Vitiello, seconded by Councilmember Bob Marsh, to Adjourn at 7:58 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 19th day of January, 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 2021.

**Vanessa Bueras
City Clerk**