

Minutes of the Work Session held July 21, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Weise and Council Members

Frank Scott, Vice Mayor
David Iwanski
Stephanie Karlin
Bryan Kilgore
Jim McDonald
Charles Vierhout

ALSO PRESENT

David Fitzhugh, Acting City Manager
Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager
Kevin Artz, Acting Assistant City Manager
Christopher Reams, Parks, Recreation, and Libraries Director
Andrew McGuire, City Attorney
Carmen Martinez, City Clerk

1 ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

2 GREEN WASTE PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE

David Fitzhugh, Acting City Manager, said this item was postponed until the August 4 meeting.

3 PARKS PROJECT UPDATE

Christopher Reams, Parks, Recreation and Libraries Director, provided an update on the City's parks projects. Avondale maintains ten public parks, eight of which are neighborhood parks, along with two regional parks. Collectively, they receive about 500,000 visitors annually. Staff has been reaching out to the community to determine what programs and amenities citizens want from their parks. The Friendship Park improvements will include fenced athletic fields, entryway enhancements, additional lighting and parking, expanded ramadas, a splash pad, an outdoor fitness area, restroom renovations, and exercise stations. The total project cost is \$1.5 million.

Mr. Reams explained that the ramada area will be reconfigured to provide a wider range of options for groups of varying sizes. The football field will be replaced with a village green space to provide a community meeting area for activities like farmers markets, and small concerts. Avondale is coordinating with the Arizona Game and Fish Department on their community fishing program. They will stock the park for fishing, and it will only cost the City \$500 per year to participate. Users will have to obtain urban fishing licenses.

Mr. Reams said Festival Fields will have new baseball fields specifically tailored for Little League regulations. The football field from Friendship Park will be moved here, and a new half field will also be added to accommodate practices. These fields will be multi-purpose. Festival Fields is largely a blank slate. Currently it is being used for softball, and the intent is to have it become a family use park. The site has suffered from significant erosion issues, and staff is preparing a set of control options that would mitigate further erosion and result in lower maintenance costs. A \$90,000 erosion control plan is included in the park project budget.

Mr. Reams said Avondale has five neighborhood parks with play areas for children, and three without. Different parks need different amenities, but the goal is to raise all the parks to the same standard. Improvements can include ADA upgrades, enhanced playground equipment ground covering, upgraded water fountains, and amenities for sports, walking, and jogging, depending on the needs of each park. The proposed timeline for the projects is aggressive, but achievable.

Council Member Karlin said community fishing is a good activity for families, and the price is reasonable. She inquired about the cause of the erosion problems. Mr. Reams explained that the original design was not stable enough over the long term. Erosion control will consist of both shoring and planting. Council Member Karlin inquired about plans for Dessie Lorenz Park, which is a more passive area, and for Doc Rhodes Park. Mr. Reams responded that there are no plans to do a major revamp of that park, but residents have requested a community garden there. Doc Rhodes Park will be one of the proposed art parks for Western Avenue. Council Member Karlin inquired about the type of playground equipment proposed. Mr. Reams said the Planning Department intends to take 32 families on a tour of different parks to get a better idea of what residents like. One possibility is to provide different amenities at different parks to satisfy a wide variety of preferences.

Council Member Vierhout asked how the parks plan was impacted by the storm damage done to trees. Mr. Reams said the park renovations would have required that some of the trees be removed anyway. The project budget contains money for new trees for the new areas. Council Member Vierhout expressed approval of the open play area and the new ground covering. He inquired about the cost and expansion potential of the splash pad. Mr. Reams said it will cost \$150,000. While expansion is possible at the cost of removing other amenities, the more likely solution would be to add a separate splash pad elsewhere. Council Member Vierhout felt that Festival Fields should include a space for younger children to play while older ones engage in sports. Mr. Reams noted that the bleachers will have railings added to make them safer.

Council Member Kilgore expressed his support for the projects, especially the splash pad, community fishing, and ADA enhancements. He recommended that two more basketball goals be added to Festival Fields, and inquired whether the City would be processing fishing license applications. Mr. Reams responded that Game and Fish would handle that responsibility.

Vice Mayor Scott asked whether a dog park expansion would be included at Friendship Park, saying that it would not take much to turn Avondale's dog park from a good one to a great one. Mr. Reams explained that dog park expansion was initially proposed, but the addition of a splash pad changed budgetary priorities. A dog park could be added to Festival Fields at a later time. He explained that staff is adjusting dog park maintenance practices to better respond to the wear and tear on the grass. Vice Mayor Scott expressed support for the fishing program. He said it would be preferable to build a splash pad large enough to accommodate the existing demand right from the start, than to have to expand one later on. Festival Fields should ultimately be as nice as Friendship Park is.

Council Member McDonald said the playground improvements will be much appreciated. The Festival Fields project will help turn that park into what City Council envisioned several years ago.

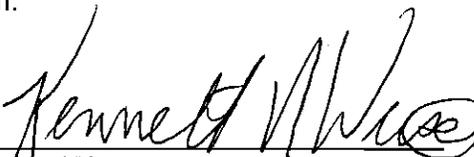
Mayor Weise asked whether the fishing program could coexist with the ducks at Friendship Park. Mr. Reams said staff will study that issue moving forward. Mayor Weise approved of having the splash pad near the fields and the play area. He agreed that the pad should either be appropriately sized from the start, or at least have the infrastructure in place to easily expand later on. The signage leading into Avondale near Dessie Lorenz Park really needs to be updated. He agreed that Festival Fields should be brought up to the standards of Friendship Park. He requested that each amenity include a separate cost so that City Council could consider each addition independently. The best dog parks feature agility areas, and one should be added to Avondale's. He suggested adding horseshoe pits near the ramadas at Friendship Park.

Council Member Karlin suggested a separate area for the smallest of dogs. Council Member Kilgore proposed a batting cage for Festival Fields. A horseshoe pit would also be a great addition to Historic Avondale.

4 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Vierhout moved to adjourn the regular meeting into executive session. Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

City Council meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.



Mayor Weise

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Work Session of the Council of the City of Avondale held on the 21st day of July. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that the quorum was present.



City Clerk

Minutes of the Regular Meeting held July 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Weise and Council Members

Frank Scott, Vice Mayor
David C. Iwanski
Stephanie Karlin
Bryan Kilgore
Jim McDonald
Charles Vierhout

ALSO PRESENT

David Fitzhugh, Acting City Manager
Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager
Kevin Artz, Acting Assistant City Manager
Rob Lloyd, CIO/IT Director
Sandy Lopez, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Council
Nicholle Harris, Assistant City Attorney
Carmen Martinez, City Clerk

1 ROLL CALL AND STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY CLERK

2 UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES

(Limit three minutes per person. Please state your name.)

3 CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are of a routine nature or have been previously studied by the City Council at a work session. They are intended to be acted upon in one motion. Council members may pull items from consent if they would like them considered separately.

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Special Meeting of July 7, 2014
2. Regular Meeting of July 7, 2014
3. Special Meeting of July 14, 2014

b. LIQUOR LICENSE SERIES 9 (LIQUOR STORE) - FIESTA BARN MARKET

A request from Mr. Gary Sadik Barno for approval of an application for a Series 9 Liquor Store license to sell all spirituous liquors at Fiesta Barn Market located at 12301 W Buckeye Road in Avondale.

c. SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE - HSA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

A request from Mr. Adam Joseph Maldonado on behalf of Taking the Good Out of People for four special event liquor licenses to be used in conjunction with an adult softball tournament scheduled during overnight hours from Friday, August 1 to Sunday, August 3, 2014 at Festival Fields located at 101 E Lower Buckeye in Avondale.

d. CONTRACT RENEWAL - AREA AGENCY ON AGING 2014 -15

A request to renew Contract 2014-05-AVO with Area Agency on Aging for FY2014-15 in the amount of \$300,564 to provide services for congregate meals, home delivered meals, multipurpose center operations and transportation for active adults in Avondale, Goodyear and Litchfield Park; and the Vehicle Lease Agreement in the amount of \$3 to

lease three vehicles for the Home Delivered Meal and Transportation Operations at the Avondale Community Center and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

- e. **COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT - PUMP SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED**
A request to approve a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Pump Systems, Incorporated to provide pumps, pump parts, maintenance, service and repairs for an annual amount not to exceed \$115,000/aggregate amount not to exceed \$345,000 and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.
- f. **SECOND AMENDMENT TO COOPERATIVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT – KOVATCH MOBILE EQUIPMENT CORP.**
A request to approve a second amendment to the cooperative purchasing agreement with Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp. in the amount of \$511,948.87 and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.
- g. **RESOLUTION 3210-714 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY**
A resolution approving an Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement with the Regional Public Transportation Authority for FY 2015 Zoom operations, funding for American with Disabilities Act Paratransit Services, and Express Bus Service and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Mayor Weise pulled item 3c – Special event liquor license for HSA Tournament from the consent agenda to be considered separately.

Council Member Vierhout moved to approve the consent agenda as presented with the exception of item 3c and including Resolution 3210-714. Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Council Member Vierhout	Aye
Council Member Iwanski	Aye
Council Member McDonald	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye
Vice Mayor Scott	Aye
Council Member Karlin	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

- c. **SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE - HSA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT**
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softball tournament scheduled during overnight hours from Friday, August 1 to Sunday, August 3, 2014 at Festival Fields located at 101 E Lower Buckeye in Avondale.

Mr. Fitzhugh indicated that the applicant has had to cancel a portion of his event and will no longer need two of the four special event liquor licenses he originally applied for. The Council should only consider the request for August 2 from 9 pm to 12 am and August 3 from 12 am to 1 am.

Council Member Vierhout moved to approve item 3c as amended. Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Council Member Vierhout	Aye
Council Member Iwanski	Aye
Council Member McDonald	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye
Vice Mayor Scott	Aye
Council Member Karlin	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

- 4 CONTRACT AMENDMENT - INSIGHT PUBLIC SECTOR INC. VIA STATE OF ARIZONA**
An amendment to the contract with Insight Public Sector, Inc., for purchase of technology equipment and services in an amount not to exceed \$1.8 million over the life of the contract and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Rob Lloyd, CIO reviewed the particulars of this item as more specifically described in the council report.

In response to a question from Council Member McDonald, Mr. Lloyd indicated that the contract includes several categories for products and services. Regarding the purchase of software, Mr. Lloyd indicated that staff has found there are advantages from purchasing directly from the software company.

In response to a question from Council Member Vierhout, Mr. Lloyd indicated that the contract allows the city to purchase everything in the Insight catalog at a discount. Staff has flexibility to purchase specific items from other sources through and RFP process if necessary. Mr. Lloyd added that staff is constantly looking at promotional pricing offers and takes advantage of such deals when possible.

Council Member Vierhout moved to approve the contract amendment with Insight Public Sector, Inc. for the purchase of technology equipment and services. Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Council Member Vierhout	Aye
Council Member Iwanski	Aye
Council Member McDonald	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye
Vice Mayor Scott	Aye
Council Member Karlin	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

5 RESOLUTION 3209-714 - OPENING A SAFEKEEPING ACCOUNT AND UPDATE ON INVESTMENTS FOR FY 2013-14.

A Resolution authorizing opening a safekeeping account and update on investments for FY 2013-14 and authorize the Mayor or City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Acting Assistant City Manager Kevin Artz reviewed the particulars of this item as more specifically described in the council report.

Council Member McDonald asked what the rules are on munibonds. Mr. Artz indicated that while the policy allows the city to invest in municipal bonds, the city has only invested on US Securities. Council Member McDonald suggested that next time the policy is amended, staff adds a requirement to only invest in US backed securities.

Council Member Vierhout complimented Mr. Artz for taking a proactive approach in this area and asked if in addition to considering the fees, staff also considered the size and stability of the bank. Mr. Artz replied that they do in that consider that criteria.

Council Member Vierhout moved to adopt Resolution 3209-714; Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Council Member Vierhout	Aye
Council Member Iwanski	Aye
Council Member McDonald	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye
Vice Mayor Scott	Aye
Council Member Karlin	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye

Motion carried unanimously.

6 COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

A review of vacancies that exist on various boards and committees and Council reevaluation of current appointments to make any necessary changes or adjustments to ensure the City is adequately represented.

Mayor Weise indicated that he believes it is important for the council to look at the various boards and committees to ensure that the city continues the representation it has had for the last few years. He indicated he would like Council Members to indicate which boards they would like to serve on.

Sandy Lopez, Executive Assistant to the Mayor and Council reviewed current appointments and took note of changes. Mayor Weise indicated that due to his professional obligations he will not be able to serve on WESTMARC. Council Members expressed their preferences as follows:

Committee	Representative
MAG Transportation Policy Comm.	Mayor Weise
MAG Human Services Coordinating Comm.	Vice Mayor Scott / CM Kilgore
Community Advisory Group (PGA North/South)	CM Iwanski
Arizona Municipal Water Users Association	CM Iwanski
SW Valley Chamber of Commerce BOD	VM Scott / CM Vierhout
Business Retention and Tourism	Vice Mayor Scott
Luke West Valley Council	CM Vierhout
AZ Mayors Education Roundtable	Mayor Weise
WESTMARC Board of Directors	CM Vierhout / VM Scott
Greater Phoenix Economic Council Board of Dir./Int. Leadership Council	Int. Leadership Council – CM Karlin

Boards & Committees – Representative position is fixed	
Valley Metro RPTA Board of Directors	CM McDonald (Vice Chair)
MAG Regional Council	Mayor Weise
MAG Economic Development Council	Mayors only

7 EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session pursuant to: (i) Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 38-431.03 (A)(1) discuss the appointment of the City Manager and (ii) Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 38-431.03(A)(4) for discussion or

consultation with the City Attorney in order to consider its position and instruct the City Attorney regarding the City Council's position regarding negotiations related to the City Manager's employment agreement.

Mayor Weise announced there would not be a need for the council to hold an executive session.

8 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Vierhout moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

City Council meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Mayor Weise



Carmen Martinez
City Clerk

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