

**WORK SESSION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE  
EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD  
TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2013**

**Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lana Mook at 5:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Lana Mook, Vice Mayor Joe Ramirez, Councilor Roy Delgado, Councilor Jim McPhetres, Councilor Lynn Selby, Councilor David Shapera.

**III. WORK SESSION**

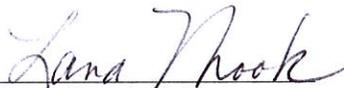
All items listed under the Work Session will be only discussed, there will be no action (or vote) taken. The Council may provide direction to City Staff on how to proceed.

- A. Presentation by Diane McCarthy, Director of Business Partnerships and Legislative Affairs for West-Mec, regarding an overview of West-Mec activities and operations, specifically, the West-Mec courses offered at Dysart High School.

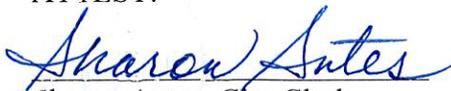
Diane McCarthy introduced West-Mec Superintendent Greg Donovan who gave Council a presentation on the 10-year growth of the West-Mec program, current statistics on the number of programs offered at various high schools in the West Valley, specific courses being offered at Dysart High School, future plans for West-Mec including adult classes and answered various Council questions regarding the program.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT.**

Mayor Mook adjourned the meeting 5:52 p.m.

  
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Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sharon Antes, City Clerk

I hereby certify the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate record of the City of El Mirage Work Session held Tuesday, June 4, 2013 and a quorum was present.

  
Sharon Antes, City Clerk

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
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**II. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lana Mook at 6:02 p.m.

**III. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Citizens desiring to speak on a matter that IS NOT on this agenda may do so at this time. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person and shall be addressed to the City Council as a whole. At the conclusion of the Call to the Public, individual City Council Members may (1) respond to criticism made by those who have spoken; (2) direct staff to review or respond to the matter; and (3) direct that the matter be put on a future agenda.

Resident Jeremy Pottle spoke on Consent Item 4, stating he believed hiring more clerks to process red light camera violations was possibly throwing good money after bad and that more clerks should not be needed if the purpose of the cameras was effective.

Resident Ammanda Pottle addressed the proposed ordinance change for residential sewer hook ups and offered for Council's consideration slightly amended wording for clarification.

Resident Jim Lobsinger also proposed amended language to the proposed Ordinance for residential sewer hook ups and commented on the expense of hook up and/or septic abandonment. Mayor Mook advised that this topic would be discussed later in the meeting and she believed there would be more clarification for their concerns.

Business owner Jimmy Farley advised Council that 1) a corner of Alice Blvd. and El Mirage Road was in desperate need of repair, and 2) someone was using his company name falsely and placing homemade signs along El Mirage Road that he wanted removed and the activity stopped immediately.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be voted on with one motion. If discussion is desired regarding any Consent Agenda item, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

1. Consideration and action approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held Tuesday, May 21, 2013. (City Clerk)
2. Consideration and action regarding the destruction of municipal documents that have reached the end of their retention period as determined by the State of Arizona and/or the City of El Mirage. (City Clerk)
3. Consideration and action to approve Ordinance O13-06-09 adopting the City's property tax levies for Fiscal Year 2013-14. The Primary Property Tax Levy is \$1,654,937, which is used for Public Safety operating and maintenance expenses. The Secondary Property Tax Levy is \$1,960,000, which is used for voter approved bonded indebtedness principal and interest payments., The total levies for FY 2013-14 are \$3,14.973. The total estimated combined property tax rate is \$4.0399. (Finance)
4. Consideration and action to approve the addition of three Court Clerk positions to the budget and authorizing the Finance Director to make all related budget adjustments to the fiscal year 12-13 and fiscal year 13-14 budgets. (Finance)
5. Consideration and action to approve a purchase of a new Cisco 4507R+E core switch, associated modules and product maintenance with IT Partners in an amount not to exceed \$76,600.00.

Councilor Shapera moved to remove Item 4 from the Consent Agenda and vote on separately in the Regular Agenda; seconded by Vice Mayor Ramirez. Motion carries unanimously.

Councilor McPhetres moved to approve the consent agenda items 1, 2, 3, and 5 as presented; seconded by Councilor Shapera. Motion carries unanimously.

**V. REGULAR AGENDA**

- A1.** Consideration and action to approve the addition of three Court Clerk positions to the budget and authorizing the Finance Director to make all related budget adjustments to the fiscal year 12-13 and fiscal year 13-14 budgets. (Finance)

Councilor Shapera moved to table this item to a future date; seconded by Councilor McPhetres. Motion carries unanimously.

- A.** Consideration and action to approve Ordinance O13-06-08 amending Chapter 51 "Sewers" Section 51.049 "Private Sewage Systems," subsections (C) and (D)(1) and adding subsections (D)(2),(3), and (4). (Development and Community Services)

DCM/City Engineer Sue McDermott gave a PowerPoint presentation explaining the proposed Ordinance changes. All Council members spoke on the item regarding various aspects of the changes. Council gave more explanation and answered additional questions from residents. The new ordinance is believed to be fair in allowing septic systems to continue provided proof of inspections and regular maintenance are periodically provided to ensure for the safety of drinking water for other residents.

Councilor Shapera moved to approve Ordinance O13-06-08 as presented; seconded by Vice Mayor Ramirez. Motion carries unanimously.

- B. Public Hearing to approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to Pro Gold Prospecting Equipment & Supplies for manufacturing light in an Urban Corridor (UC) zoning district. (Development and Community Services)

DCM/City Engineer Sue McDermott gave PowerPoint presentation explaining the request and introduced Owner Travis Brown to address Council. He explained his business and future plans and answered several questions from Council. Sue advised that the Planning & Zoning Commission had reviewed and recommended approval.

There were no comments from the public.

- C. Consideration and action to approve a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to Pro Gold Prospecting Equipment & Supplies for manufacturing light in an Urban Corridor (UC) zoning district.

Vice Mayor Ramirez moved to approve a Conditional Use Permit as presented; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion carries unanimously.

- D. Consideration and action to reject the bids received for the Purchase, Installation and Warranty of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System, Project No. PW13-AM1\I01. (Development and Community Services)

DCM/City Engineer Sue McDermott explained why the bids needed to be rejected and stated that the project had been revised and would be re-bid in the future.

Councilor Shapera moved to reject the bids as described by the City Engineer; seconded by Councilor McPhetres. Motion carries unanimously.

## **VI. CITY MANAGER SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

The City Council may not discuss or act upon any matter in the City Manager's summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

City Manager Dr. Isom announced that El Mirage Police Officer Mike Warren would be awarded the School Resource Officer (SRO) of the year award on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Police Chief Campbell explained the role of the school resource officer and process and criteria by which Officer Warren was selected. He was introduced to Council and expressed his humility at being honored for a job he thoroughly enjoys. Dr. Isom also asked DCM/Public Works Director Larry

Dobrosky to introduce the new I.T. Manager Tom Bacome and asked Tom to address Council. Dr. Isom concluded his report by reminding residents of the CAP service appointments being conducted Monday June 10, 2013 and advising that effective July 1, 2013 Surprise Animal Control units will respond to all animal related calls within the City of El Mirage.

**VII. MAYOR’S COMMENTS and COUNCIL SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Councilor McPhetres reported on his findings through the West/Marc Energy meetings and stated that the State of Arizona uses best practices in ensuring longevity of the state’s water supply and is a leader in water conservation.

Councilor Shapera reported on attending the HOA Thompson Ranch meeting, the retirement ceremony for two Police Department personnel and the Community Garden Ribbon Cutting ceremony.

Vice Mayor Ramirez spoke as an “El Mirage resident” and encouraged everyone to sign up and participate in the upcoming Cancer Relay for Life event on September 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 at Gateway Park; either by forming a team or donating toward the cause.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Mook adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

  
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Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sharon Antes, City Clerk

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