

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE
EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD
5:00 PM – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016**

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Lana Mook, Vice Mayor Joe Ramirez, Councilmember Roy Delgado, Councilmember Bob Jones, Councilmember Jack Palladino (via phone), Councilmember Lynn Selby, Councilmember David Shapera

II. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.
Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence
Silence Cell Phones & Pagers

III. PROCLAMATION

PI. Proclamation in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month for October 2016 to promote awareness and education for victims of domestic violence (Police)

Assistant Police Chief Laura Liuzzo informed Council about the nationally acclaimed and emulated Victim Advocate program developed by the City of El Mirage and introduced Iva Rody, who heads up and coordinates the program. Ms. Rody addressed Council and provided recent statistics related to domestic violence and the extreme need to intervene when necessary and educate all about the social devastation caused by domestic violence.

Mayor Mook then proclaimed the month of October, 2016 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and encouraged all citizens of the City of El Mirage to support the efforts of organizations that provide education, outreach and support to victims of domestic violence and called upon our citizens to dedicate themselves to ending all forms of violence and the abuse of power and control in relationships.

IV. 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/or (3) direct that the matter be put on a future agenda.

No Public Comment Cards were received.

V. 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, September 6, 2016. (City Clerk)
2. Consideration and action to approve Resolution R16-09-21 declaring and adopting the results of the Primary Election held on August 30, 2016. (City Clerk)

Vice Mayor Ramirez moved to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion carried unanimously (7/0).

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

NO ITEMS

VII. CITY MANAGER SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

The City Council may not act upon any matter in the City Manager's summary but may have general comment or questions. Items to be discussed will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Dr. Isom introduced Police Chief Terry McDonald who then introduced the new Code Enforcement Officer Renee Diaz. He advised that Renee has 31 years of experience in Code Enforcement with the last 11 years working for the City of Phoenix. Renee thanked the Council for the opportunity to begin a new chapter in Code Enforcement with the City of El Mirage and was warmly welcomed by the Council.
2. Police Chief McDonald then asked Office Myron Williams to join him at the podium. He advised Council that Officer Williams was the recent recipient of an award given by ABLE (Arizona Black Law Enforcement Association) and he wanted to give Council a bit of history on this organization. He has been associated with ABLE for quite some time and is most impressed with the work the group does to educate and provide leadership to young people interested in law enforcement. He described a recent 3-day symposium he attended and in which Assistant Chief Liuzzo participated as panelist in one of the workshops. He stated that Officer Williams was nominated by his peers for his dedication in community engagement with adults as well as youth and his infectious enthusiasm toward his work (Officer Williams readily accepted the recent "Running Man Challenge" project that included other police officers, other

department staff, as well as the community). On September 2, 2016 Officer Williams was presented with the Gloria Washington Police Officer of the Year award which is an award given to officers who's performance exemplifies the mission and values of law enforcement (Gloria Washington was a former member of the Phoenix Police Department). He explained the prestigious significance of the award and stated that he, along with Assistant Police Chief Liuzzo, Deputy Director of Police Administration Michael Ashley, and Lieutenant Randy Stewart, were present to witness Officer Williams receive the award and he now presented Officer Williams to Council. Officer Williams humbly accepted the Council's congratulations and expressed his love of his work and stated his general attitude he brings to his job. City Manager Dr. Isom reflected on Officer Williams' history with the City and praised him for his consistent positive demeanor brought to his work.

VIII. MAYOR'S COMMENTS and COUNCIL SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

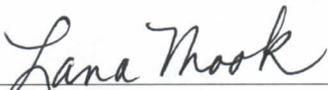
The Mayor and City Council may not discuss or act upon any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

Councilor Delgado reported that the recent fund raiser for El Mirage Elementary School raised \$5,000 thanks to the efforts of the Friends of the Library group.

Vice Mayor Ramirez brought to the attention of Chief McDonald an issue at Coury's Plaza that he believed Code Enforcement needs to address. Chief McDonald advised he would take care of the matter.

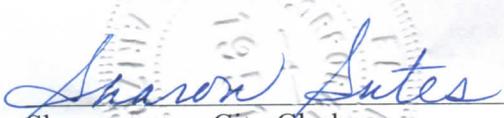
IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.



Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sharon Antes, City Clerk

I hereby certify the aforementioned minutes are a true and accurate record of the El Mirage City Council Meeting held on Monday, September 19, 2016 and a quorum was present.



Sharon Antes, City Clerk