REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE
EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD
6:00 PM – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2016

Minutes

I. ROLL CALL

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

II. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.
Pledge of Allegiance
Moment of Silence – Mayor Mook asked to keep in mind Vice Mayor Joe Ramirez and his family for their recent loss.
Silence Cell Phones and Pagers

III. PROCLAMATIONS

P1. Proclamation declaring the week of October 9-15, 2016 as Fire Prevention Week - "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years." (Fire)

Building Official Mary Dickson reported El Mirage first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education. The 2016 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 years" effectively serves to educate the public about the vital importance of replacing the smoke alarms in their homes at least every ten years, and to determine the age of their smoke alarms by checking the date of manufacture on the back of the alarms.

Mayor Lana Mook proclaimed October 9-15, 2016, as Fire Prevention Week throughout the City and urged all the people of El Mirage to find out how old the smoke alarms in their homes are, to replace them if they are more than 10 years old, and to participate in the many public safety activities and efforts of the El Mirage Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week, October 9-15, 2016.

IV. PRESENTATION

P2. Presentation by El Mirage Special Events Coordinator Jeffrey Anderson to provide an overview of the November 5, 2016 El Mirage Salute to Veterans event to the Mayor and Council. (Administration)

Intergovernmental and PR Manager Amber Wakeman introduced Special Events Coordinator Jeffrey Anderson to inform Council of the upcoming Salute to Veterans special event. Mr. Anderson reported this special event will be held on November 5th from 12:00 noon to 9:00 PM at Gateway Park. The City's special events philosophy is to produce well attended events that are affordable to attend and that will instill a sense of community and pride in the residents of El Mirage for "making memories." The goal of the event is to honor and illustrate the contributions and sacrifices made by veterans and active duty military members. The main attraction will be the Vietnam Traveling Wall which is an 80% replica of the permanent wall in Washington D.C. It stands 8' tall at the apex, is 360' long and the names were engraved by USMC Vietnam Veterans; 100% made in America. Other attractions will include a classic car show, 5k run, motorcycle rally, bands and entertainment, a WHAM art project, kid's zone activities, balloon glow, beer garden, and skateboard demo/contest. Mr. Anderson then reviewed the location of events, map for the 5K run and the Salute to Veterans multi-day event timeline. There are 18 sponsors providing a total sponsorship of $13,625.00 and numerous Veteran organizations and other organizations volunteering for this event.

Dr. Isom reported that over the last six or seven years the City has made the policy determination to move forward with the Special Events programming for the community even in challenging times. These events have continued and since Mr. Anderson's arrival, they have blossomed and continued to improve and grow. Many ideas have come from Councilmembers and staff; with the help of staff, under Ms. Wakeman's review, the special events have been taken to another level and this particular upcoming event promises to be phenomenal. Dr. Isom commended Mr. Anderson and everyone involved in organizing this event.

Councilor Jones commented this is a very exciting time and an "awesome job."

Councilor Delgado reported that when he was stationed at Fort Lee, Virginia he had an opportunity to see the Vietnam Wall and stated it is very moving, noting that a high school friend of his is listed on the wall. He also stated he wished to be a volunteer at this event and Mr. Anderson made note.

Councilor Shapera asked about parking provisions stating he believes this event will be one of the biggest the City has ever done. Mr. Anderson reported the existing parking in front of the Police Station and at the YMCA will be used as well as additional parking recently added behind the YMCA which will provide an additional 214 spaces.

V. 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 Comment Cards were received.

VI. 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 Monday, September 19, 2016. (City Clerk)

2. Consideration and action to accept a final plat with a dedication of right-of-way for the new Cheryl Drive to be constructed between El Mirage Road and 121st Avenue south of Peoria Avenue. (Development & Community Services).

3. Consideration and action to approve the destruction of municipal documents that have reached the end of their retention period as authorized under A.R.S. §41-151.19. (Customer Service)

4. Consideration and action to approve the purchase with CDW-G for computers and laptops in an amount not to exceed $34,000 utilizing the State of Arizona and National IPA Contracts and authorizing a budget transfer of $1000 from 10-480-261 to 10-480-617. (Information Technology/Finance)

Councilor Delgado requested item 2 be removed from consent and discussed separately.

Councilor Delgado moved to approve items 1, 3 and 4 listed on the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Councilor Shapera. Motion carried unanimously (7/0).

2. Consideration and action to accept a final plat with a dedication of right-of-way for the new Cheryl Drive to be constructed between El Mirage Road and 121st Avenue south of Peoria Avenue. (Development & Community Services)

Development and Community Services Director Jorge Gastelum reported the site plan for this area was approved by Council in June, 2016 and this is part of the same process. Councilor Delgado asked if this construction was going to coincide with finishing up the El Mirage Road construction and wondered if the new road would go all the way back to the river. Mr. Gastelum stated the south half of Cheryl Drive will be developed back to 121st Avenue by the developer south of the steel company and noted it will be 20' wide which is wide enough for two-way traffic.

Councilor Delgado moved to approve Consent Agenda item 2 as presented; seconded by Councilor Shapera. Motion carried unanimously (7/0).

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Consideration and action to approve Resolution R16-10-22 to temporarily suspend City Code §130.01 to allow alcoholic beverages to be served and consumed at the El Mirage Salute to Veterans special event on November 5, 2016 and the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta event on May 5, 2017 in the FY 2016/17 event season. (Administration)

Public Relations Manager Amber Wakeman requested a temporary suspension of City Code §130.01 to allow these events to have alcohol served and consumed.

Councilor Palladino moved to approve Resolution R16-10-10-22 to temporarily suspend City Code §130.01 to allow alcoholic beverages to be served and consumed at the El Mirage Salute to Veterans special event on November 5, 2016 and the Cinco de Mayo Fiesta event on May 5, 2017; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion carried unanimously (7/0).

B. Consideration and action to approve Ordinance O16-10-09 setting forth and fixing the dates, times and location of the 2017 City Council Meetings. (City Clerk)

City Clerk Sharon Antes reported the proposed calendars were in the Council packets for review.

Councilor Delgado moved to approve Ordinance O16-10-09 setting forth and fixing the dates, times and location of the 2017 City Council Meetings; seconded by Councilor Shapera. Motion carried unanimously (7/0).

VIII. 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:

Dr. Isom reported that the City of El Mirage is "continuing its winning ways" by coming in first place with a team score of 54 at the recent Dysart Education Foundation Golf Tournament. Dr. Isom introduced Public Works Director Jim Shano who was one of the team members to report on the tournament. Mr. Shano stated everyone got rained on a little but it was a good time by all. He then introduced the other three members who formed the City foursome that included Court Administrator Rod Wettlin, Code Enforcement Officer Chris Herrbach, and Senior Customer Service Representative Joe Young.

City Clerk Sharon Antes noted the Arizona Secretary of State's Office is going to hold Town Hall meetings throughout the state on two upcoming ballot measures; Proposition 205 is the issue relating to proposed marijuana laws and Proposition 206 is the issue relating to raising the minimum wage in Arizona. The nearest meeting

being held will be next Monday night, 6:30 pm at the Palm Ridge Recreation Center in Sun City West. She stated she would forward detailed information on this Town Hall meeting. Ms. Antes also advised that registered voters can vote at City Hall starting Wednesday, October 12th for early in-person voting through Friday, November 4th. If voters are signed up on the PEVL (permanent early voting list), ballots should be mailed out on October 12th and received by the following Saturday or Monday. On November 8th, General Election Day, voters will not be able to vote at City Hall but can drop off voted ballots. Voters will be notified by mail of their designated polling location if voting on November 8th; there will be four polling locations in El Mirage on Election Day. Voting information has been provided for the El Mirage newsletter and will also be on the City website and on social media.

IX. 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 Shapera thanked Dr. Isom for his recent email informing Council on the status of a crosswalk project under review; he stated he was happy to see it moving forward.

Councilor Delgado reported the tournament held at Luke Air Force Base golf course over the past weekend, with 103 golfers, was a huge success and grossed $20,000 for scholarships. He recognized resident Chance Mikos, present at this meeting, for his support of the "long-drive for men and women" competition. He thanked Council for supporting the tournament and expressed his hope that next year will be an even bigger and better tournament.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Lana Mook

Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon Antes

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 Tuesday, October 4, 2016 and a quorum was present.

Sharon Antes

Sharon Antes, City Clerk