

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE  
EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2011**

**Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lana Mook at 6:00 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

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

**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 a matter, and (3) direct that a matter be put on a future agenda.

Paul Kopyy, Lora Rice, Charles Kopsis and Howard Sauers expressed their concerns of changing the present system of rotating tow services and ask that the City reconsider.

Frank Carnal and Michelle Palladino voiced their support of the city's bond issue and presented reasons for recreational facility.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consideration and action to authorize the City Manager to petition for inclusion into the district of Electrical District #7 (ED7) for the purpose of providing power service to the City's new Brisas water well located at 12900 North B Street.
2. Consideration and action approving Resolution R11-10-37, temporarily suspending El Mirage City Code §130.01, and allow the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages only in the designated area of Gateway Park on Saturday, November 19, 2011 between the hours of 12:00 pm and 9:00 pm for the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.
3. Consideration and action to award a contract for Custodial Maintenance to Bio Janitorial Service, Inc.

Councilor McPhetres a made a motion to approve consent items 1 through 3 as presented; seconded by Vice Mayor Shapera. Motion Carries, unanimously.

## **V. REGULAR AGENDA**

- A. Public Hearing – to receive citizen comments regarding a request for a liquor license from Mark Timothy Mellott, Riff Raff Bar & Grill, 13915 N El Mirage Road, Suite C2.

Mayor Mook opened the public hearing at 6:20 p.m.

No public comments were offered.

Mayor Mook closed the public hearing at 6:21 p.m.

- B. Consideration and action regarding making a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control on the request from Mark Timothy Mellott, Riff Raff Bar & Grill, 13915 N El Mirage Rd, Suite C2.

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to recommend approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control on the request from Mark Timothy Mellott, Riff Raff Bar & Grill, 13915 N El Mirage Rd, Suite C2 for a liquor license, as presented; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion Carries, unanimously.

- C. Consideration and action approving Ordinance O11-10-19, an ordinance fixing the dates, times and location of the 2012 City Council meetings.

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to approve Ordinance O11-10-19 amended to include the July 17, 2012 and August 7, 2012 as meeting dates; seconded by Councilor Selby. Motion Carries, unanimously.

- D. Consideration and action to award a contract for Gentry Park Improvements Project (No. PW11-PK01) to Green Landscaping & Irrigation, Inc. in the amount of \$231,573.17 and approve a contingency in the amount of \$6,000.00 for the total amount requested of \$237,573.17.

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to award a contract for Gentry Park Improvements Project to Green Landscaping & Irrigation, Inc as presented; seconded by Councilor McPhetres. Motion Carries, unanimously.

- E. Consideration and action adopting Resolution R11-10-36, adopting the Capital Improvement Program FY 2013-2017.

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to approve Resolution R11-10-36 as presented; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion Carries, unanimously.

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

City Manager Isom reported that the Youth Sports Committee of the Arizona Sports and Tourism Authority (AZSTA) announced its recommendation that the Authority award El Mirage a \$75,000 reimbursement grant to help fund Gentry Park improvements. The grant will be awarded under the Authority's Biennial Grant Initiative, which supports youth and amateur sports facilities and programs throughout Maricopa County. We are very appreciative of the Authority's continued

support of recreation in El Mirage. In 2010, AZSTA awarded the City \$68,000 to help fund electronic scoreboards and shade structures at Gateway Park.

The City has received a Certificate of Approval of Construction with Stipulations from the Maricopa County Environmental Services Department for the City of El Mirage Water Reclamation Facility. Receipt of this certificate from the County successfully completes a long standing project with PERC Water Corporation for upgrade renovations at the treatment plant. The County will continue to monitor the City's facility to ensure compliance with this certificate's stipulations.

The City Manager reported that a nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon MST. The test will be broadcast over radio and television stations statewide and last approximately three minutes. Visit [www.azecin.gov](http://www.azecin.gov) for real-time emergency updates, preparedness and hazard information and multimedia resources.

El Mirage Firefighter Steve Kruzel was recognized by the Sun City Elks Lodge at their Fire-Law Enforcement Recognition Night on Monday, October 17, 2011. He was not only recognized for his high work ethics in the normal course of his duties but also honored for being the driving force behind the creation of a fundraising nonprofit organization to provide assistance to residents of the community.

The Arizona Department of Administration has acknowledged Police Chief Campbell for his knowledge, expertise and experience in serving as an observer for the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP) Goal 2 Performance Assessment. Serving in this capacity helped the state of Arizona comply with the federally mandated assessment under the NECP. As an observation team member, Chief Campbell provided insight and professionalism as an observer, report writer and subject matter expert during the long hours it took to complete the assessments and reports for each county.

City Manager Isom reminded everyone of the 4<sup>TH</sup> Friday Family Art Fest – tomorrow night, October 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 9 PM at the El Mirage City Plaza.

The City Manager extended an invitation to everyone to attend the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Carnival on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> – 12:00 noon – 10 PM. The celebration is being held at Gateway Park. There will be something for everyone, including a special commemorative ceremony, food, music, performances, refreshments, carnival rides, and tournaments.

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

Vice Mayor Shapera reported that Adrian Ortiz, the injured wrestler from Dysart has returned to school. He also reported that dancers from Thompson Ranch School will be performing at the 4<sup>TH</sup> Friday Family Art Fest tomorrow.

Councilor Delgado reported of the meetings that he has attended: Dysart Educational foundation, CDAC and MAG's Domestic Violence Committee.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

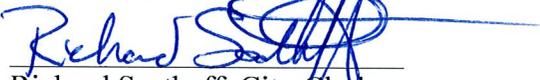
Mayor Mook adjourned the meeting 7:25 p.m.

  
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Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Richard Saathoff, City Clerk

I hereby certify the foregoing minutes are a true and accurate record of the City of El Mirage Regular Council Meeting held October 27, 2011 and a quorum was present.

  
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Richard Saathoff, City Clerk