

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE
EL MIRAGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
14010 N. EL MIRAGE ROAD
TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2012**

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lana Mook at 6:25 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, and Councilor Lynn Selby.

III. PRESENTATION

Recognition of Mr. and Mrs. Sausnock for their continuing support and effort in assisting City staff and their outstanding community citizenship. (Public Works)

Public Works Director Dobrosky explained the reason for their recognition. Mayor Mook presented Mr. and Mrs. Sausnock with a plaque. Mr. Sausnock thanked the City of keeping the lines of communication open.

Presentation to disseminate to the Mayor and Council results of the recent General Obligation Bond Sale. (Finance)

Greg Swartz of Piper Jaffray presented the results of the city's recent bond sale and explained the bond rating system. The City of El Mirage is well above the average for cities and towns in Arizona. The ratings of A1 and A+ translate to a much lower interest rate for the city's bonds.

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

Mary Koestner was her concerns regarding the fiscal policies of the City and expressed her concerns of other communities that have filed for bankruptcy due their fiscal management.

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 to accept an agreement between the El Mirage Police Department and West Valley agencies to establish participation in the West Valley Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. (Police)
2. Consideration and action requesting that the Mayor and City Council give signature authority to the City Manager to enter into an Construction Manager at Risk – Design Phase services agreement with D.L. Withers Construction to perform design phase services for the new El Mirage Police Facility (Project No. EM12-F01) in an amount not to exceed \$48,101.00. (Engineering)

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to approve consent items 1 and 2 as presented; seconded by Councilor Palladino. Motion Carries, unanimously.

VI. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Consideration and action adopting Ordinance O12-07-08 approving the adoption of the third supplement (Codification) to the City Code with an emergency clause. (City Clerk)

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to approve Ordinance O12-07-08 approving the adoption of the third supplement (Codification) to the City Code with an emergency clause as presented; seconded by Councilor McPhetres. Motion Carries, unanimously.

- B. Consideration and action to approve Resolution R12-07-26 approving the forms and authorizing the execution and delivery of amendments to existing loan agreements and of new loan agreements with the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona from its Clean Water Revolving and Drinking Water Revolving Fund programs; delegating the determination of certain matters relating thereto to the manager and the Finance Director of the City; providing for the transfer of certain moneys and making certain covenants and agreements with respect thereto; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by such amendments and loan agreements and this resolution and declaring an emergency. (Finance)

Vice Mayor Shapera made a motion to approve Resolution R12-07-26 approving the forms and authorizing the execution and delivery of amendments to existing loan agreements and of new loan agreements with the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority of Arizona from its Clean Water Revolving and Drinking Water Revolving Fund programs; delegating the determination of certain matters relating thereto to the manager and the Finance Director of the City; providing for the transfer of certain moneys and making certain covenants and agreements with respect thereto; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by such amendments and loan agreements and this resolution and declaring an emergency as presented; seconded by Councilor Delgado. Motion Carries, unanimously.

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

Mayor Mook read a letter from Justin on the receipt of a scholarship from the Fire Fighters Charities.

Councilman McPhetres thanked Greg, Robert and Christy for the work they do in saving money for the City.

Councilman Selby presented an update on the "Operation Lifesaver".

Councilman Delgado presented the Library's circulation numbers.

VIII. 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.

Dr. Isom presented an update of the recreational facility. He also reported there are two options available to obtain an additional \$3 million dollars needed to construct the recreational facility either a low-interest loan, or paying cash from the FY 12/13 fund balance (\$13.5 million).

The City Manager reported that Customer Service Division of the Public Works Department has created a new proactive way to advise homeowners when repairs have been made to their trash receptacles or when their trash receptacles have been replaced. Door hangers are left at the residence to let the homeowner know that 1) the can wheels were replaced, 2) the can lid was repaired, or 3) the trash can was replaced. These proactive measures have helped to preserve the life of your trash receptacle and are part of the City's continuing effort to improve customer service.

City Manager Isom reported a new city logo has been developed for Council's consideration. Our current logo is somewhat dated and the popularity of our entry signs presents the perfect opportunity to consider re-branding our community. So, in a couple of weeks we will bring the new brand forward for Council's approval. Thereafter, Staff will, in a very cost-effective way, take steps to implement the brand in our communications and throughout our community.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mook adjourned the meeting 7:18 p.m.



Lana Mook, Mayor

ATTEST:



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 July 17, 2012 and a quorum was present.



Richard Saathoff, City Clerk