



City of Apache Junction, Arizona

Meeting Minutes Special Meeting of the Apache Junction City Council

Meeting location:

City Council Chambers
at City Hall
300 E Superstition Blvd
Apache Junction, AZ
85119

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Ph: (480) 982-8002

Monday, May 15, 2023

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER

Present 7 - Mayor Wilson
 Vice Mayor Schroeder
 Councilmember Cross
 Councilmember Heck
 Councilmember Johnson
 Councilmember Nesser
 Councilmember Soller

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Councilmember Soller participated by phone.

B. ROLL CALL

Staff in Attendance:

Bryant Powell, City Manager
Matt Busby, Assistant City Manager
Anna McCray, Human Resources Director
Joel Stern, City Attorney
Yvette McKinney, Acting City Clerk
Michael Pooley, Police Chief
Leslie DeReche, Finance Director
Anna McCray, Human Resources Director
Al Bravo, Public Information Officer
Rudy Esquivias, Development Services Director
Liz Langenbach, Parks & Recreation Director
Pam Harrison, Library Director
Patrick Ainsworth, Economic Development Director
Ted Wolf, Public Works Director
A. Doug LaSota, Municipal Judge

C. CONSENT AGENDA

D. AGENDA ITEMS

E. PUBLIC HEARING

1. [23-277](#) Discussion, consideration and public hearing of approval of Resolution No. 23-10, adoption of tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. This resolution adopts the tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and sets the date, time and location for a public hearing on final budget adoption and declares an emergency.

Vice Mayor Schroeder moved, seconded by Councilmember Nesser to approve Resolution No. 23-10 adopting the tentative budget, giving date, time and location for the public hearing and final adoption of the budget for fiscal year 2023-24 and declaring an emergency be approved.

Yes 7 - Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Schroeder, Councilmember Cross, Councilmember Heck, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Nesser and Councilmember Soller

No 0

City Manager Bryant Powell stated this is one of the steps the city council does in order to adopt the city's final budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

He announced the Governor and Legislature adopted the state budget of \$18 billion. There are still bills active at the legislature the city is continuing to monitor. These are financial bills and zoning bills that would impact the city greatly.

Assistant City Manager Matt Busby stated two weeks ago the city council heard the budget presentation from Finance Director Leslie DeReche. During the annual budget process and last council meeting, staff kept track of the questions asked by council and provided those answers to council.

Finance Director Leslie DeReche addressed the change to the format of the presentation document council had previously seen compared to what was included in the packet for tonight's meeting. The "pretty" document is the formal document that is sent to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for a budgeting award. There is a change in the budget, and that is the addition of \$5.8 million for the Superstition Vistas Community Facilities District in case they issue bonds. Ms. DeReche stated the numbers are all the same, but it was the format that changed, the old version was page 3 and 4, in the new format it is located on page 25.

Councilmembers stated they had several months to review and ask questions on the budget.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing; receiving no comments from the public he closed the public hearing.

2. [23-242](#) Presentation, discussion, public hearing and consideration of Resolution No. 23-09, declaring as a public record and adopting certain documents filed with the city clerk entitled "City of Apache Junction Civilian Classification and Compensation Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024" and "City of Apache Junction Recruit and Sworn Compensation Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024"; and declaring an emergency.

Councilmember Cross moved, seconded by Councilmember Heck that Resolution No. 23-09, declaring as a public record and adopting certain documents filed with the city clerk entitled "City of Apache Junction Civilian Classification and Compensation Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024" and "City of Apache Junction Recruit and Sworn Compensation Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2024";

and declaring an emergency be adopted.

Yes 7 - Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Schroeder, Councilmember Cross, Councilmember Heck, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Nesser and Councilmember Soller

No 0

Human Resources Director Anna McCray stated during the council meeting two weeks ago, along with the budget presentation, council was provided a presentation on the classification and compensation plans.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing; receiving no comments from the public he closed the public hearing.

3. [23-288](#) Presentation, discussion, and consideration of approval of the City of Apache Junction's Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Pension Funding Policy.

Councilmember Heck moved, seconded by Councilmember Nesser that the City of Apache Junction's Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Pension Funding Policy be approved.

Yes 7 - Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Schroeder, Councilmember Cross, Councilmember Heck, Councilmember Johnson, Councilmember Nesser and Councilmember Soller

No 0

Finance Director Leslie DeReche stated every year the city is required to adopt the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Pension Funding Policy. This year the pension policy includes the bond that the city issued to pay down the city's liability.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing; receiving no comments from the public he closed the public hearing.

F. OLD BUSINESS

G. NEW BUSINESS

H. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

ACCEPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023.

WALTER "CHIP" WILSON
Mayor

ATTEST:

JENNIFER PEÑA
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, held on the _____ day of _____, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2023.

JENNIFER PEÑA
City Clerk