



# City of Apache Junction, Arizona

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## Meeting Minutes

### Water Utilities Community Facilities District

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Tuesday, August 20, 2024

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

#### A. Call to Order

Chairperson Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Staff in attendance:

- Bryant Powell, District Manager
- Matt Busby, Assistant District Manager
- Jennifer Pena, District Clerk
- Joel Stern, District Legal Counsel
- Yvette McKinney, Deputy District Clerk
- Mike Loggins, District Director
- Charles Briggs, Water District Project Manager
- Stacy Ramirez, Utility Billing Supervisor
- Rita Vineyard, Senior Administrative Assistant
- Angelie Hawley, District Treasurer
- Connie Chow, District Controller
- Kayla Fulmer, Director of Marketing and Communications
- Eli Richardson, Management Analyst
- Robert Wisler, Management Analyst
- Trina Harrison, CIP Program Manager

#### B. Roll Call

**Present**                    7 -        Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Schroeder, Boardmember Cross, Boardmember Heck, Boardmember Johnson, Boardmember Nesser, and Boardmember Soller

#### C. Agenda Items

1.     [24-680](#)                    Approval of minutes of the meeting of May 21, 2024, and June 18, 2024.

**Boardmember Soller made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the May 21, 2024, and June 18, 2024, meeting. Boardmember Nesser seconded the motion.**

**Yes:**                        7 -        Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Schroeder, Boardmember Cross, Boardmember Heck, Boardmember Johnson, Boardmember Nesser and Boardmember Soller

**No:**                         0

2. [24-681](#) Presentation, discussion, and consideration of Resolution No. 2024-010, requesting a portion of the public utility easement located at 276 South Starr Road, Apache Junction, Arizona, be extinguished and is no longer necessary for public use as a public utility easement.

**Boardmember Nesser made a motion that Resolution No. 2024-010, a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Water Utilities Community Facilities District (City of Apache Junction, Arizona) declaring a portion of the public utility easement located at 276 South Starr Road, Apache Junction, Arizona, is no longer necessary for public use as a utility easement and is hereby extinguished be approved. Boardmember Cross seconded the motion.**

**Yes:** 7 - Chairperson Wilson, Vice Chair Schroeder, Boardmember Cross, Boardmember Heck, Boardmember Johnson, Boardmember Nesser and Boardmember Soller

**No:** 0

District Director Mike Loggins presented an overview of Resolution No. 2024-010, a request to extinguish the water utility easement and declaring a portion of the public utility easement located at 276 South Starr Road, Apache Junction, Arizona, is no longer necessary for public use as public utility easement. Mr. Loggins advised the city has already abandoned the easement and the District recommends abandoning the easement.

3. [24-682](#) Presentation, discussion, and consideration of the procurement of fleet vehicles consisting of one (1) replacement 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 2WD crew cab truck, and two (2) replacement 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 2WD regular cab trucks budgeted for the current fiscal year utilizing the cooperative Arizona state contracts CTR059320 and CTR069474. Staff requests authorization to purchase vehicles in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.

**Vice Chairperson Schroeder made a motion that the purchase of one (1) replacement 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 2WD crew cab truck, and two (2) replacement 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 2WD regular cab trucks from Midway Chevrolet utilizing the cooperative Arizona state contracts CTR059320 and CTR069474 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 be approved. Boardmember Johnson seconded the motion.**

Mr. Loggins presented an overview of the purchase of three (3) new fleet vehicles. The vehicles will be replacing current fleet vehicles that are over 7 years old or have 100,000 miles. The old vehicles will either be sold at auction or will be utilized by other city departments. The vehicles will be purchased from Midway Chevrolet through the cooperative Arizona state contracts CTR059320 and CTR069474.

4. [24-683](#) Presentation, discussion, and consideration of the procurement of a 2025 Freightliner M2106 dump truck, budgeted for the current fiscal year from Freightliner of Arizona utilizing the cooperative contract with the State of Arizona Contract No. CTR069472. Staff requests authorization to purchase dump truck in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.

**Boardmember Johnson made a motion that the purchase of one (1) 2025 Freightliner M2106 dump truck from Freightliner of Arizona utilizing the cooperative contract with the state of Arizona contract number CTR069472 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 be approved. Chairperson Heck seconded the motion.**

Mr. Loggins presented an overview of the purchase of a new larger dump truck which will replace the District's existing smaller dump truck that is 20 years old. The District is requesting

authorization to purchase the dump truck from Freightliner of Arizona utilizing the cooperative Arizona state contract CTR069472.

**D. District Manager Report**

No report.

**E. District Director Report**

5. [24-685](#) Presentation, discussion, and update on Verde River Sediment Mitigation Study.

Mr. Loggins presented an update on the Verde River Sediment Mitigation Study. The project is moving slowly but is still on schedule with a completion date of 2034. An environmental study is currently underway. The Bureau of Reclamation is working on federal interests of water for the project. Thirty percent of the engineering design will be done in September. The original study cost for the 30 percent design was \$28 million, with \$13.5 million covered by federal funding. A recent change order with an additional cost of \$6 million was received to change the test quarry location. The original trial quarry site was located at the marina of Bartlett Lake. The reason for the change order is due to an eagle nesting in the test quarry one (1) site. The new test quarry two (2) site is located across the lake, but is closer to the existing dam. The purpose of the test quarry is to determine what type of dam will be built. The committee still needs to vote on the additional funding and will be working on how the additional cost would be funded.

6. [24-686](#) Presentation of video for Advanced Water Purification.

Mr. Loggins presented an update on the Advanced Water Purification trailer. Carollo Engineers has finished the basis of the design, and the construction of the trailer will start with an anticipated completion date of January 2025. The trailer will be brought to public events for the public to learn more about the process. Mr. Loggins presented a video showing how Advanced Water Purification processed water from the City of Scottsdale is currently being used at a brewery in Arizona.

7. [24-687](#) Presentation, discussion, and update on District wide water system.

Mr. Loggins presented an update on the District water system. Water Campus 3's startup has been completed and is delivering water to customers in the Blossom Rock and Radiance subdivisions. This startup was the first of three phases. This phase consisted of four distribution pumps which pump out and pressurize the system, two recirculation pumps to distribute water treatment chemicals, and 3.2 million gallons of water storage.

**F. District Treasurer Report**

No report.

**G. Adjournment**

Chairperson Wilson adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

ACCEPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, BY THE CHAIR  
PERSON AND DISTRICT BOARD OF THE WATER UTILITIES COMMUNITY FACILITIES  
DISTRICT, (CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA).

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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WALTER "CHIP" WILSON  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

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JENNIFER PENA  
District Clerk