



# City of Apache Junction, Arizona

## Meeting Minutes City Council Meeting

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City Council Chambers

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### A. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, was held on April 4, 2017, at the Apache Junction City Council Chambers pursuant to the notice required by law.

Mayor Serdy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Wilson gave the Invocation.

Councilmember Waldron led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### C. ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Mayor Serdy  
Vice Mayor Wilson  
Councilmember Barker  
Councilmember Evans  
Councilmember Rizzi  
Councilmember Struble  
Councilmember Waldron

**Staff Present:** City Manager Bryant Powell  
Assistant City Manager Matt Busby  
City Clerk Kathleen Connelly  
City Attorney Joel Stern  
Public Safety Director Tom Kelly  
Interim Public Works Director John Mitchell

**Others Present:** Public Information Officer Al Bravo  
Sergeant Danny Saldana

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

**No:** 0

Councilmember Barker MOVED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

1. [17-118](#) Consideration of acceptance of agenda.
2. [17-120](#) Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of March 21, 2017.

**E. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

None.

**F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Councilmember Waldron announced there is a meeting of the Rural Transportation Advisory Council on Monday in Phoenix at the League office. There is a push to restore quite a bit of the HURF funding but there are legislators opposing the governor's budget that would take that money and move it over to the universities. It is \$30 million and hopefully some of the money will be restored.

Councilmember Barker announced she moderated a forum last week for the International Leadership Project with six countries represented: United States, Afghanistan, India, Sri Lanka, Nepal and the Maldives. The give and take of information and different perspectives were fascinating.

Councilmember Rizzi announced the school district is in the process of electing a new superintendent. They will be having a meet and greet tomorrow.

Councilmember Evans announced last weekend they had the ladybug release at Earth Heart Park. She thanked Ace Hardware for their continued donations towards the garden. They have received a grant from Salt River project for permanent lighting to be installed and can now have evening events.

Councilmember Evans thanked Janine Solley and Heather Patel for applying for a grant that involved six individuals from the Environmental Protection Agency who came to the city for two days and did a walking tour of the downtown area, a driving tour, an all-day seminar with business leaders, commercial developers all on the infill properties and how to stimulate further development in the core of the downtown area. They had a lot of participation from the public.

Councilmember Evans commented she saw children playing in the splash pad of the new park that had just opened and a family was having a get together at one of the ramadas.

Mayor Serdy commented they had a blues festival at one of the local businesses a few weeks ago and one of the concerns was the parking. It seemed the parking was not a problem other than some people parking on the other side of State Route 88. There was plenty of parking and a lot of people were in from out of town. Hopefully we can build on this and have other businesses do the same thing.

Mayor Serdy commented last week the Greater Phoenix Economic Council had their quarterly meeting. He introduced Councilmember Struble who will take his place as the city representative on the board. They are doing a lot to put the city on the map. Monday they came out and did an asset tour of what the city would like to see developed. They are working on high impact districts for each community. They will also help us with some of the things that were done for the infill. They are also lobbying the legislature to return the Tax Incremental Financing. We are the only state in the union that does not have that. If they go to some place like San Antonio to see the River Walk, it was all done with Tax Incremental Financing. They need the legislature to return that, also.

Mayor Serdy announced twelve-year-old Logan Reichwald was the champion bull rider at the Cowboys for Kids Rodeo in Cave Creek.

## **G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **3. [17-109](#) City manager's report.**

City Manager Bryant Powell commented on HURF, the infill grant, the community garden, the finish of the event season and scrub and grub day.

### **4. [17-125](#) Introduction of the Interim Public Works Director, John Mitchell.**

City Manager Bryant Powell introduced Interim Public Works Director John Mitchell and commented on his past experience.

Interim Public Works Director John Mitchell stated he was looking forward to serving the city.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated they are out recruiting as we speak. He looks forward to working with John during the interim period.

Mayor Serdy asked if he had put in for the public works director job.

Interim Public Works Director John Mitchell stated he has not. His life is busy with family in Marana.

## H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. [17-121](#) Consideration of application for a special event liquor license for Salt River Wild Horse Management Group for April 9, 2017 at 2910 W. Apache Trail. The next step in the process is for the city council to hold a public hearing on the application and make a recommendation for approval or denial to be forwarded to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control.

**Yes:** 6 - Mayor Serdy, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

**No:** 0

**Excused:** 1 - Vice Mayor Wilson

Councilmember Wilson announced he had a conflict of interest and he stepped out of the chambers. He requested someone come and get him when the item was over.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly briefed the council on the item.

Mayor Serdy requested the applicant address the council.

Ms. Rina Branna, 2153 S. Raven, Mesa, representing Superstition Harley-Davidson, addressed the council.

Councilmember Barker asked what the hours would be.

Ms. Rina Branna stated it would be 11-4.

Councilmember Barker asked if it is at the

Harley-Davidson.

Ms. Rina Branna stated that is correct.

Councilmember Struble asked if this is to raise money for that cause.

Ms. Rina Branna stated all the proceeds will go to that.

Mayor Serdy commented he went to the last event they had there and they seem to go off pretty smoothly.

Ms. Rina Branna stated it was a little quiet at the last event. She was not happy.

Mayor Serdy asked if this one would be loud and raucous.

Ms. Rina Branna stated it would not be loud and obnoxious. It will probably be pretty similar. They did one as well at the end of January with a little bit more attendance but not crazy.

Councilmember Struble asked how many people they are expecting.

Ms. Rina Branna stated she has no way of really measuring it. She hopes for more but probably about 100 people.

Councilmember Rizzi commented once they have been here for a little bit and people get a little more familiar with new ownership and whatnot, they will get more participation. It will happen. Just keep doing what you do.

Ms. Rina Branna stated they are slowly getting there.

Councilmember Rizzi commented just keep doing what you do. They appreciate it.

Mayor Serdy opened the public hearing on the item. There being no one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing and reopened the item to council discussion. There being no further discussion, he called for a motion.

Councilmember Rizzi MOVED THAT THE APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR SALT RIVER WILD HORSE MANAGEMENT GROUP FOR APRIL 9, 2017, SUBMITTED BY BREN SCHULTZ, BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF LIQUOR LICENSES AND CONTROL.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

Mayor Serdy commented Vice Mayor Wilson will now come back.

**6.**     [17-091](#)             Public hearing and award of bid for towing services contractors relating to PD 2016-04.

**Yes:**             7 -     Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

**No:**             0

Sergeant Dan Saldana briefed the council on the item.

Councilmember Struble asked if the towing company is required to keep the vehicle in the city after they have towed it.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is correct. Under certain circumstances or possibly a heavy duty rig they would have to seek approval from the towing coordinator to store it somewhere else. Typically it is stored within the city.

Councilmember Struble asked if they could put it in there overnight and ship it somewhere else later.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they cannot. That would be a violation of the contract. He continued with his briefing.

Councilmember Struble asked if the equipment listed those that they have in Apache Junction or is that their total number of equipment.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is their total amount.

Councilmember Struble asked if that is in their company.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is correct.

Councilmember Struble asked if a certain amount is required to be here in the city.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated the contract does not require a certain amount to be here within the city.

Councilmember Struble commented it is up to them to manage their resources.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is correct. As long as they respond within the fifteen minute response time and the correct matching of resources effectively. He continued with his briefing.

City Attorney Joel Stern asked the sergeant to explain to the council how he logistically evaluated the factors and matched up the nomenclature for A, B, C, D and E. He asked how he physically did that and if he had any assistance from any other members of the police department.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated he and the traffic unit conducted audits at each one of the locations to verify that they met the requirements under the contract. They also looked at background checks. A private investigator, per the requirement in the contract, conducted criminal history checks. The information was verified by the police department and through inspections at the storage and business locations that are a part of this information.

City Attorney Joel Stern asked if he also checked with the Arizona Department of Public Safety for issues.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they did. Per the Arizona Administrative Code they are required to have the Arizona Department of Public Safety inspection form. That was verified through the Arizona Department of Public Safety to make sure the vehicles were in compliance with the code.

City Attorney Joel Stern asked if he created a checklist before he went out to each location.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated he did. He did a checklist to make sure they met all the requirements.

Mayor Serdy commented it says in singular on his guide as an applicant. He asked the city clerk if he now offers all of the applicants to speak if they want.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated it is a public hearing. They can come up and speak if they choose to. There may be one or two that actually completed the forms.

Mayor Serdy commented he has two there but these are two that were not on the recommendation. He should

ask them to come up afterwards.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated he can ask the applicants. They may or may not be interested in speaking but he does have two people for the hearing.

Mayor Serdy requested any of the applicants that are on the recommendation to address the council. None of those applicants wished to speak. He opened the public hearing on the item.

Mr. Jeff Stocco, 1151 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction, addressed the council. He has been a business owner in Apache Junction since October 2004. He has paid \$175,000 in property tax and \$40,000 in sales tax over the years. Hiring local businesses will only increase revenues to the city. Hiring outside businesses only increases revenues for other cities. He started EZEE Towing in 2011 and it has been a steady growth pattern. They have contracts with Maricopa, Arizona Department of Public Safety and Pinal County. He agrees with the mayor that the city needs to hire businesses inside the city. Apache Sands is not in Apache Junction. They only have a lot where they store city, highway patrol and Pinal County tows. He did an evening response from the corner of Sossaman and Main at 10 p.m. one night and 10 a.m. one morning. There are nine stoplights and he was stopped five times in the evening and it took him 23 minutes. In the morning he was stopped four times with more traffic and it took him 25 minutes. There is supposed to be a 15 minute response time for the tow companies. The council should consider hiring businesses that are here in the city and that can still do the job. If they cannot do the job, they can always fire them.

Mr. Anthony Harper, 2244 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction, the owner of Executive Towing, addressed the council. He stated it is recommended the council approve four companies when the contract requires a minimum of three companies with a maximum of five. He believes there should be the maximum companies allowed on the towing rotation. He commented on a discussion brought up at the Arizona Professional Towing Association regarding the lack of insurance agencies insuring towing companies, their increased premium costs, companies not being able to afford the new premiums and their having to shut down as a result. The average tow company in the city averages 20 calls per month. Adding one more company would drop that down to 16 calls per month per company. In the previous contract two companies dropped off before the end of the five year contract. The new contract is seven years. It does not make sense to limit the companies allowed with a longer contract. He believed the council should grant the maximum amount of companies to the contract. He now has five employees



and an additional new wrecker should be in his possession by the end of May. He also tows for Maricopa County, Pinal County and the highway patrol and he is in good standing with all of them.

Mr. Mike Metzger, 1151 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction, manager of EZEE Towing, addressed the council. He stated they are a small, local business. They have two trucks manned during the day and contract driver sat night. All the employees live and work in the city. They have a 15 minute response time even though they are one of the smaller companies.

Mayor Serdy closed the public hearing with no one else wishing to speak. He reopened the item to council discussion.

Councilmember Rizzi asked why the recommendation was four companies instead of the maximum of five.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated the department feels that four is an efficient number and they would be able to effectively administer that number. The towing coordinator will have to manager the contract and it is a collateral duty. He will have other assignments.

Councilmember Rizzi asked what the number was that was done in the past.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated the previous one has expired already and it was originally a five year contract with four towing companies.

Councilmember Rizzi asked if they can legally go beyond their recommendation. She is not sure how to word the part where it states as already being in Apache Junction.

City Attorney Joel Stern asked if she was asking about the number of tow companies.

Councilmember Rizzi commented that is correct.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated they can make it up to five because that is what the bid said.

Councilmember Barker commented one of the speakers, she believes Jeff, stated Apache Sands does have a lot here. She had asked in previous meetings if they had an office here. She thought Sergeant Saldana had said yes.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they do have an office with a storage lot. Their other current contracts do not require that they man that. He talked with the manager of

Apache Sands Towing and they know that our contract requires that to be open and accessible. They are advising if they are awarded a contract that the office will be manned.

Councilmember Rizzi commented they also have to comply with the 15 minute response time.

Councilmember Barker commented they are then going to have to have someone manning that office and they will have to have equipment at that office in order to answer those calls.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is correct.

Councilmember Struble asked if any of these are currently on our list.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they currently have Big Boyz Towing and C.L. King Towing.

Councilmember Struble commented he was following up with something Councilmember Barker asked. They understand that they need to have their equipment here in our city limits.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they understand they have to manage that time. It is a 15 minute required time. If they do not meet it they will be off the rotation.

Councilmember Barker commented she understands the numbers here. She asked why they went with Apache Sands instead of one of the others that is actually located here and did not have to go to the trouble of manning it.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they used all the information available to them to meet the needs of the city. That company has above and beyond what is required in the contract. They have a heavy duty wrecker and the manpower to man it. They have positive recommendations from other two contracts. They thought they would be a good fit for the rotation.

Councilmember Barker commented they have the manpower at their office down the road in Mesa but not here, if they are only going to have one man staying here at the office with the equipment. They are not going to have any more manpower than anyone else does.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated at that point they would have to address it with the 15 minute response time if they did not make it.

Councilmember Waldron asked how many companies they started off with on the contract that just expired.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they started off with four.

Councilmember Waldron asked what they are down to.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they are down to two.

Councilmember Waldron commented that was on a five year contract.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated that is correct.

Councilmember Waldron commented he is a little concerned about the seven year contract if they do the same amount of four. He wondered how many they would have left at the end of seven years.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they went down to three and then two just recently. When they were at three they felt it was a good number. They had enough tows for services and they kept busy. If they do drop below three to two then they would have to open up another bid for one service provider to maintain the contract.

Mayor Serdy commented that was going to be his question. He asked how long that would take.

Sergeant Dan Saldana asked if he meant the process for the bid.

Mayor Serdy commented that is correct. He asked if it would just be for one or would they go back up to four.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they could go back up to four. He asked the city attorney if there was anything he would want to add.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated if it drops below three then they have to do another bid for at least one more to get them to the three and he supposed they could actually do it for the other one if they wanted to.

Councilmember Evans asked if Apache Sands is the only one with the heavy duty wrecker.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they have two companies, Phoenix Metro and Apache Sands.

Councilmember Struble asked how often those get used.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they get used rarely, maybe one or twice a year. In the previous contract they had a problem with abandoned RVs within the city. They had a few of those every so often and we had trouble getting our current contractors to have the equipment to move that. Possibly a heavy duty wrecker would have alleviated that. It may be more than a few times a year.

Councilmember Evans asked if they have the ability to go outside of our contracted tow companies and call them if the heavy duty wrecker is not available.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated the way the contract reads right now, if they do not have the availability of equipment they have to subcontract those services out. It puts the burden on that tow company to make sure they are providing the service.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated on page 9 of the bid, section 20, it talks about the three and the five. It states the city may enter into a service contract with at least three but not more than five tow companies. The city is under no obligation to solicit bids to replace tow companies that terminate their contract with the city or those that the city terminates unless the number of tow companies during the initial seven year term fall below three companies. In such case the city may solicit bids for only one additional tow company. They cannot go for another one, depending on the volume of towns and whether the police chief determines the remaining tow companies have a valid contract with the city and can effectively meet the demand. That depends on the police chief's discretion and what he would recommend to you at the time in case it falls below three.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented with Apache Sands having a place in here and their talking about bringing someone into the office, it would technically mean they would have to have two people there at all times. He asked if they understood that.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they do understand that. It has to be accessible at all times.

Councilmember Barker commented his question was different from your answer.

Sergeant Dan Saldana asked that he repeat the question.

Councilmember Barker asked if they understand that they need two people in that office all the time. Not just one.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated he does not think he specifically stated two but they were advised they would have to have the staff and be accessible and open at all times. If you interpret that to two then he believes that is how they would interpret that. If the office were to close they would be in violation of the contract. That information has been relayed to them.

Councilmember Rizzi commented if they have a yard here they would have to have staff.

Mayor Serdy asked if two were not recommended because of their size.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they considered included references and amount of equipment. Those were two of the things they considered on issuing contracts.

Mayor Serdy asked if the police department reached out to them to explain why they were not recommended for those not receiving a contract.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they had talked about this at the work session. He did not do anything then as he wanted to wait until the final outcome. He will contact them in reference to that information.

Councilmember Struble commented the large two truck will handle the RVs and stuff like that. He asked if that is a separate rotation so that when something like that happens we would only be contacting Apache Sands and Phoenix Metro Towing.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated it is just off the rotation. It requires the companies that do not have a heavy duty wrecker to subcontract that out.

Councilmember Struble commented they probably would miss 15 minutes if they have to subcontract that out.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated if they have to subcontract out they will choose someone. Some of those details are still coming down. In that scenario they would not have a 15 minute response time.

Councilmember Struble commented they probably do not keep their large tow trucks in the city either.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated he believes Phoenix Metro does. Their main lot is here.

City Manager Bryant Powell asked if they can pass on a rotation call.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they do have options to pass. The contract does allow that they contact the police department and let them know if they have an extreme amount of calls that they are on and would not be able to respond. They can call and say they will be unavailable for two hours in that stipulation. As long as they give them notice they can pass.

Councilmember Rizzi asked what happens next if they call one of these local companies and they do not meet the time requirements.

Sergeant Dan Saldana stated they track that information and they handle a first time offense with a verbal warning and it progresses from there. It can go from a written warning all the way to termination of the contract with the approval of the chief.

Mayor Serdy asked if there is no more discussion.

Councilmember Barker commented they have not discussed it amongst themselves. She would be far more comfortable with a five year contract than a seven year contract. She would also be far more comfortable with pulling the smaller company in, too. We have room for five companies. We have had companies drop out in the past. This has not just happened in the past rotation but it has happened every time they have put out a contract. They have two or three of those companies drop out before the end of it or get pushed out, one or the other. She would like to see that happen.

Councilmember Rizzi asked how they would determine which one they would select out of the two local companies. There is EZEE Towing and Executive Towing. They both sound like they are experienced.

Councilmember Barker commented EZEE made themselves known and pleaded their case. They won her over and that is how she would do it. She supposed it is not terribly professional.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented he does not see why they do not go with five as well.

Mayor Serdy commented he does not see a problem with five.

Councilmember Evans asked if they can change it to five years if the request for proposal said seven years.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated they probably cannot go more than that. Whether that is a substantive provision that someone could protest is a good one. But he thinks they can go less and the most they could probably go down to is five years because that was the original contract. He does not think they can make it a one year contract. Some two companies may say they bid on it because they did say seven. That would be their argument. He does not want to get into any other legal issues on that but he would say they can but he would not recommend it. He would stick with the bid of seven years.

Councilmember Barker commented that answers that.

Mayor Serdy closed the discussion with no further comments and called for a motion.

Councilmember Barker MOVED THAT THE AWARD OF BID FOR PD 2016-04, TOWING AND VEHICLE STORAGE SERVICES FOR A CONTRACT TERM FROM APRIL 3, 2017 THROUGH APRIL 3, 2024, BE AWARDED TO APACHE SANDS TOWING, BIG BOYZ TOWING, C.L. KING TOWING, PHOENIX METRO TOWING AND EZEE TOWING; AND THAT AUTHORIZATION BE GIVEN TO THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE CONTRACTS PENDING FINAL APPROVAL AS TO FORM BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

7. [17-093](#) Public hearing on Ordinance No. 1445 amending Apache Junction City Code, Volume I, Chapter 2: Mayor, Council, and Appointed Boards and Commissions, Article 2-3: Council Election, by adding section 2-3-6 Initiative, Referendum and Recall Special Elections; repealing any conflicting provisions; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency.

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

City Attorney Joel Stern briefed the council on the item. He commented that he did not know why this was not done in 1989.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated the city did not need it in 1989. The statutes were different. We had lots of special elections.

Councilmember Barker agreed.

City Attorney Joel Stern continued with his briefing.

Mayor Serdy opened the public hearing on the item. There being no one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing and reopened the item to council discussion. There being no further discussion, he called for a motion.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED THAT ORDINANCE NO. 1445 BE READ BY TITLE ONLY AND THE READING OF THE ENTIRE ORDINANCE BE WAIVED.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly read the ordinance by title only.

Councilmember Waldron MOVED THAT ORDINANCE NO. 1445, AS READ BY THE CITY CLERK, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**J. NEW BUSINESS**

None.



**K. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF**

8. [17-114](#) Council direction to staff on Apache Junction becoming a "Golden Rule City". On March 20th the mayor and city council heard a presentation from representatives of Arizona InterFaith Movement on what becoming a "Golden Rule City" means. Current cities in Arizona that participate in this program include Flagstaff, Mesa, Gilbert, Queen Creek, Chandler and Scottsdale.

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

**No:** 0

Mayor Serdy commented they discussed this and he does not see any negatives on it. It is an opportunity to branch out and communicate with a lot of different people. He called for any discussion.

Councilmember Barker commented she sees no negatives either. However, she got a lot of reaction on this when she posted her minutes from the meeting. People were wondering if those of different non-religious persuasions would also be welcome in this group.

Mayor Serdy commented from what he could tell in communicating with the organizers everyone would be welcome. That is the whole point.

Councilmember Barker commented that is what she understood also but she said she would bring it up.

Mayor Serdy commented entirely inclusive. He closed the discussion with no further comments and called for a motion.

Vice Mayor Wilson MOVED THAT THE FOLLOWING DIRECTION BE GIVEN TO STAFF REGARDING APACHE JUNCTION BECOMING A "GOLDEN RULE CITY": THAT WE JOIN OTHER CITIES IN ARIZONA THAT HAVE BECOME PART OF THIS GOLDEN RULE.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

**L. SELECTION OF MEETING DATES, TIMES, LOCATIONS, AND PURPOSES**

**Yes:** 7 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Rizzi, Councilmember Struble and Councilmember Waldron

No: 0

Mayor Serdy called for a motion.

Councilmember Rizzi MOVED THAT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:00 P.M. AND A WORK SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. BE HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM AND CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS RESPECTIVELY; AND

THAT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:00 P.M. BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017 IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM.

Councilmember Barker SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

9. [17-107](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Monday, April 17, 2017.
10. [17-108](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M for Tuesday, April 18, 2017. Other meetings if necessary.

#### M. CALL TO PUBLIC

Mr. George Schroeder, 2444 W. Virginia, Apache Junction, addressed the council regarding his uncle Vinton Peck, his opinions, keeping his neighborhood safe and the additional medical marijuana facility.

#### N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serdy adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.