



City of Apache Junction, Arizona

Meeting Minutes City Council Meeting

Meeting location:

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

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Tuesday, July 16, 2019

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serdy called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Wilson gave the invocation and Councilmember Barker led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

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

Staff in Attendance:

Bryant Powell, City Manager
Matt Busby, Assistant City Manager
Joel Stern, City Attorney
Arnold Freeman, Police Chief
Jennifer Pena, Deputy City Clerk
Al Bravo, Public Information Officer
Larry Kirch, Development Services Director
Raquel Schatz, Public Works Engineer
Kent Fowler, Police Officer
Janine Solley, Economic Development Director
Earl Simmers, IT Director
Michael Wever, Public Works Director

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

No: 0

1. [19-332](#) Consideration of acceptance of agenda.

2. [19-333](#) Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of July 2, 2019.
3. [19-288](#) Consideration of approval of Resolution No. 19-20, authorizing data sharing, collaboration and exploration of east valley regional solutions to homelessness.
4. [19-307](#) Consideration of approval of Resolution No. 19-22, supporting the route of the North-South Corridor as detailed in the Pinal Regional Transportation Plan approved by the voters of Pinal County.
5. [19-316](#) Consideration of approval of the Economic Development Agreement with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) for economic development services for the term of one year and in the amount of \$23,984.00, and appointment of Councilmember Jeff Struble as the City of Apache Junction representative to the GPEC Board of Directors.
6. [19-317](#) Consideration of approval on the ratification of the purchase of three Dell VxRail E560F servers and harddrives for the total amount of \$166,606.19.
7. [19-319](#) Consideration of approval of the first amendment to the professional services agreement for copier purchase and managed print services with Arizona Office Technologies for a period of one (1) year.
8. [19-320](#) Consideration of approval of the purchase of vehicles for the Police, Motor Pool, Parks and Recreation and Public Works departments. Vehicles would consist of two replacement Ford Super Crew Trucks and four replacement Ford Pursuit Explorers for the Patrol Division of the Police Department; one replacement Ford F-150 and one replacement Ford Escape for the Crime Investigations Division of the Police Department; two replacement Ford F-150 for the Parks and Recreation Department; two replacement Ford F-150 Regular Cab Trucks for Fleet Division of Public Works for motor pool use. Staff requests authorization to purchase the vehicles through the State of Arizona Cooperative Contract # UOG/ADSP017-166124 in the amount of \$379,413.77

Public Works department would consist of a replacement of one gannon tractor and one Freightliner to be used as a new water truck. Staff requests authorization to purchase the gannon tractor through the cooperative contract with Minnesota State Contract # 140725 in the amount of \$91,500 and Freightliner through the cooperative contract with Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract # HT06-018 in the amount of \$93,500.

E. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS

9. [19-335](#) Announcement of current events from mayor and councilmembers.

Councilmember Struble provided an update on Logan Reichwald, the young bull rider from Apache Junction.

Logan participated in the National Junior High Finals Rodeo in South Dakota on June 23-29. He was the No. 2 bull rider for the state of Arizona at the end of June.

He mentioned the Apache Junction kids Idol winner, Isis Schmidt, performed at the Chamber of Commerce banquet and performed the National Anthem acapella.

He reminded everyone school will be back in session shortly and to please be very attentive when driving.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced a previous Apache Junction resident and high school graduate has returned home to live. Do to unforeseen circumstances she had fallen on hard times but the Mesa Veterans Resource Center and Operations Enduring Gratitude organization was able to provide her a refurbished mobile home. He thanked them for their hard work and support of veterans and welcomed her home.

Mayor Serdy announced the Mesa Gateway Airport has new restaurants; a Panera and Macayos.

He thanked everyone for being extremely careful this year with their fireworks, as the Woodbury Fire was a very present reminder of how dry Arizona is. He thanked Republic Service for the fireworks they have contributed all these years since 2008.

He presented a handmade plaque that was made of the trash picked up by Lyle Anderson. Mr. Anderson picks up broken glass and other material as he cleans the mountain trails and paths and wanted to donate it to the Woodbury firefighters, but the fire fighters were made up of several different fire departments and volunteers. He thanked Mr. Anderson for the tribute.

Mayor Serdy also mentioned the Apache Junction Pool was selected as one of the top 10 in the country by Leslie's Pools, and the City Manager would have more to report.

G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

10. [19-336](#) City Manager's Report.

City Manager Bryant Powell commented on the recognition the pool received. The competition included private pools, public pools and resort pools. To compete at that level truly shows the hard work and dedication the community had in getting the pool built. The land is school district land, the community had penny drives, and so many other fundraising events and resources to raise the funds to build the pool. It was a 20 year effort.

He reported the Woodbury Fire is contained but still burning. He thanked everyone for their support of the fire fighters and the many fire fighters and departments that came from around the state to help.

He announced August 5th through the 10th will be the free dump week for Apache Junction residents. More information can be found on the city website.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

I. OLD BUSINESS**J. NEW BUSINESS**

11. [19-304](#) Presentation, discussion and possible consideration of approval of the extinguishment for portions of Forest Street (alignment) from Tomahawk Road to Vista Road.

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

No: 0

Mayor Serdy read the following three agenda items as they were all portions of roadway extinguishments.

Raquel Schatz, Project Engineer, provided background on the extinguishment of the federal patent easement. She provided GIS imaging of the location

Motion by Councilmember Barker, seconded by Vice Mayor Wilson to extinguish portions of Forest Street (alignment) from Tomahawk Road to Vista Road.

12. [19-305](#) Presentation, discussion and possible consideration of approval of the extinguishment for portions of Wagonwheel Road from Junction Drive to Tamarisk Street.

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

No: 0

Mayor Serdy had read the three agenda items under item 11 as they were all portions of roadway extinguishments.

Raquel Schatz, Project Engineer, provided background on the extinguishment of the federal patent easement. She provided GIS imaging of the location.

Motion by Councilmember Rizzi, seconded by Councilmember Evans to extinguish portions of Wagonwheel Road from Junction Drive to Tamarisk Street.

13. [19-306](#) Presentation, discussion and possible consideration of approval of the extinguishment for portions of Desert View Drive from Mockingbird Street to Roundup Street.

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

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Motion by Vice Mayor Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Evans to extinguish portions of Desert View Drive from Mockingbird Street to Roundup Street.

K. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF

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

Mayor Serdy called for a motion on the selection of meeting dates, times, locations, and purposes.

Councilmember Evans moved and seconded by Councilmember Rizzi on the agendaized meeting dates.

14. [19-337](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Monday, August 5, 2019 and Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Tuesday, August 6, 2019 in the city council conference room and city council chambers located at 300 E. Superstition Boulevard, Apache Junction, Arizona, respectively. Other meetings if necessary.

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

No: 0

M. CALL TO PUBLIC

Mr. Thomas Aulik, 503 E. Montebello Avenue, Apache Junction, addressed Council on the matter of seizure. He spoke on his Superior court case and not being able to adopt a dog. He was disappointed in the way the case went.

Mr. Thomas also spoke on the Master Plan the city had adopted years ago and would still like Apache Junction to maintain more open land beyond I-60.

He would like to see a desert trail around the City.

Mayor Serdy stated the city does have trail plans incorporated into the Master Plan and continue to keep trails as a valued asset and integral part of the City's future growth.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serdy adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

ACCEPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2019, BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2019.

JEFF SERDY

Mayor

ATTEST:

KATHLEEN CONNELLY
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 _____, 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2019.

KATHLEEN CONNELLY
City Clerk