



City of Apache Junction, Arizona

Meeting Minutes City Council Meeting

Meeting location:

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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 March 6, 2018, 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

Present: 5 - Mayor Serdy
Vice Mayor Wilson
Councilmember Barker
Councilmember Struble
Evans

Absent: 2 - Councilmember Rizzi
Waldron

Vice Mayor Wilson gave the Invocation.

Councilmember Barker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Serdy
Vice Mayor Wilson
Councilmember Barker
Councilmember Rizzi
Councilmember Struble
Evans
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
Parks and Recreation Director Liz Langenbach
Finance Director Donna Meinerts

Others Present: Grants Coordinator Heather Patel
Assistant to the City Manager Anna McCray
Public Information Officer Al Bravo
Sponsorship/Partnership Programs Administrator Roger Hacker

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Yes: 5 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Struble and Evans

No: 0

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

Councilmember Rizzi SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

1. [18-084](#) Consideration of acceptance of agenda.
2. [18-085](#) Consideration of approval of minutes of regular meeting of February 20, 2018.

E. AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

3. [18-072](#) Recognition of Four Peaks Elementary School's student council for their hard work within their school and in the community.

Mayor Serdy recognized the Four Peaks Elementary School student council for their hard work within their school and the community.

4. [18-075](#) Recognition by the mayor and city council of individuals and/or organizations who have made donations to support city activities, programs and projects.
Recipients may wish to make comments on their donation.

Sponsorship/Partnership Programs Coordinator Roger Hacker gave a brief presentation on the individuals and/or organizations that made donations to support city activities, programs and projects.

Parks and Recreation Director Liz Langenbach gave a brief presentation on Superstition Area Land Trust and their

donations and assistance to the city.

Mr. Charlie Goff of Superstition Area Land Trust gave a brief presentation on the mission of the organization and their upcoming events. He encouraged the trail system to be developed throughout the valley.

Public Safety Director Tom Kelly commented on the Explorer program and the support provided by the Apache Junction Mounted Rangers.

Mr. Rich Sterba from the Apache Junction Mounted Rangers commented they are proud to be a part of Apache Junction and help in any way then can.

Sponsorship/Partnership Programs Coordinator Roger Hacker stated since the inception of the program they have had 618 donors that have contributed \$173,000 to city projects.

5. [18-077](#) Presentation of award to the Light the Trail winner.

Mayor Serdy commented on the Light the Trail program.

Councilmember Rizzi commented there were approximately 20 participants in the program and people could vote online but only vote one time. They are hoping it will grow and get all the businesses involved and make this a destination place at Christmas time.

Mayor Serdy commented they had businesses besides those on the Trail put up lights and he called the businesses out to make it bigger next year and every year thereafter. He then presented Arizona Tiremen Services an award for being the Light the Trail winner.

Councilmember Rizzi commented they hope to get more businesses involved next year and make it a serious competition.

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS

6. [18-082](#) Announcement of current events from mayor and councilmembers.

Councilmember Waldron announced on February 21 the library held a volunteer recognition lunch for all the people that volunteer hundreds of hours with the theme being super heroes. They held a jeopardy contest on super heroes and the event was very well attended.

Councilmember Waldron announced this past weekend we did a neighborhood clean up in the area south of Broadway and west of Delaware. They put out seven dumpsters and picked up about eleven tons of stuff.

Councilmember Struble announced the Imagine Prep boys' basketball team played in the state championship game and did a great job against the returning state champions. They represented the city well and both teams showed amazing sportsmanship.

Councilmember Struble announced Evan Quiroz from Apache Junction High School was selected as the Regional Player of the Year.

Councilmember Struble announced the high school drill team went to Las Vegas and took third nationally.

Councilmember Struble commented the student council kids are a great example of the kids that will be working their way up. He congratulated them for stepping up and taking leadership roles.

Councilmember Evans thanked Public Services and Walmart for their contribution in helping clean up the Sierra Entrada neighborhood. This was the fourth neighborhood clean up that has been done and it was organized through the Community Development Corporation. She thanked their board members and the city staff that assisted in the clean up.

Councilmember Evans commented the hazardous waste pick up had a long line of people that got shut out since it was only open until noon. With all of the clean ups that are being done she suggested the city take action on either a one provider once a month or once a quarter bulk pick up on the streets. She thanked everyone for their hard work and thanked Pizza Hut for providing pizza and soda afterwards.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced he went to Arizona State University last Friday and listened to Dr. Crowe give a speech on the future of the university.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced March 10-11 is the Antique Engine and Tractor Show at the rodeo grounds.

Councilmember Waldron announced many of them went to the police department awards dinner last Friday night where they received peer recognition.

Councilmember Rizzi commented she attended the graduation ceremony of two young police officers about two years ago and they received awards from the police department.

Mayor Serdy commented he saw the Arizona horsemen cleaning up after Lost Dutchman Days rodeo. He thanked everyone for the hard work put in.

G. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

7. [18-078](#) City manager's report.

City Manager Bryant Powell thanked the Community Development Corporation for their first clean up event, city staff that assisted and the police department for all they do, and commented on clean ups for the city, the hazardous waste event and announced Anna McCray being promoted to Assistant to the City Manager.

Assistant to the City Manager Anna McCray stated she is proud to work for the city and thanked her mentors Bryant Powell and Matt Busby.

City Manager Bryant Powell requested a video be shown on the library and thanked the library volunteers.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

8. [18-081](#) Presentation and discussion on City of Apache Junction vision and mission statements.

Mayor Serdy commented lately staff has been so efficient that is it a testament to their agendas being very small so they have been rolling in work session items into the regular meeting agendas. This saves on expenses and staff's time. Work sessions are a little less formal and there is more discussion than at the regular council meetings. He commented if this continued, they could even start with a

work session, adjourn it and start with a regular council meeting on the same night. Others cities do this and he would like some feedback on that if they think it would be a good idea.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated they have the next step in the possible consideration of a vision and updated mission statement. They worked on them in October and September they worked through the town hall process, then through the retreat, and we are now at a point where he can turn this over to Al Bravo who has put together a few slides to give them an update on where that has been over the last couple of months. Tonight they will discuss it, give it some thought and they will bring them back at a future meeting for approval so we can have it as part of the budget process and general plan process.

Public Information Officer Al Bravo briefed the council on the item.

Councilmember Waldron commented he read through these and they are obviously very good. In the vision statement, the second sentence starts off with "we will" as it does with the sentence under the mission. He suggested the second sentence should belong under the mission statement as opposed to the vision statement. It is more of an action item.

Public Information Officer Al Bravo asked if it could be "should" instead of "will".

Councilmember Barker commented "setting" or "while setting a high standard".

Councilmember Waldron commented that sentence is kind of the stuff we will do as is the one under mission. Maybe it is just the wording but it struck him that maybe that should be moved into the mission part of it as opposed to the vision. Mission is kind of the actions.

Councilmember Evans commented this is thought out and she also wanted to know if they should have residents first in the vision statement, visitors second. She thinks our residents are our most important asset.

Councilmember Barker agreed.

Councilmember Struble commented we started

this last year to renew our vision and mission statements that we had in our master plan and everything, general plan, he gets all those plans mixed up. For the audience, the vision statement is basically a statement for the community that says who we are and where we are going. Where the community is going. The mission statement, in essence, is how we are going to get there. That is how it all started out. He would like to extend his heartfelt appreciation for everybody that took part in the all of the activities all the way through from staff to getting everything all organized and all community members that took part in the town hall last September. When we attended the youth activities council meeting, the kids really bought in to what they were doing and had some great ideas and insight as to where they want the community to be going. It really moved him to see so many people get involved in it and really put their heart and soul into it to try to come up with something here. He read what staff put out there. The way he looks at a vision statement, it is something that we can use as a start. If you are in business, you use an elevator speech or whatever, you might want to say. It is something that can really roll off your tongue, is easy to remember, especially in his brain which has a lot of words out there. You can probably tell he cannot pronounce peoples' names. It is something that just has to be able to roll off our tongues and be able to be presented to people out there. He really appreciates what staff has come up with. He would like to throw out the idea of combining both sentences in the vision to come up with something. This is what he wrote and they can all talk about it: "Apache Junction is a diverse community of beauty and heritage that will bring prosperity, compassion and forward-thinking to its distinct residents, visitors and businesses". That is what he was kind of thinking. He was throwing it out there for an idea for a vision statement.

Councilmember Barker asked him to repeat it.

City Manager Bryant Powell asked for it again. The idea would be that if we have this recorder, we can watch in here but if we can repeat that, we can put it on and then they can discuss.

Councilmember Struble commented what he wrote was "Apache Junction" because what you want to do is you want people to know who you are, and so "Apache Junction is a diverse community of beauty and heritage that will bring prosperity, compassion and forward-thinking to its distinct residents, visitors and businesses". It kind of combines both

of the sentences.

Councilmember Barker commented that first of all, the word distinct is used. Diverse hits much better than distinction.

Councilmember Struble commented okay.

Councilmember Barker commented the movement from diverse to residents and visitors is so that we put them in order in which we like.

Councilmember Struble agreed. The priorities within our community. That is it exactly, that is true. Our residents, visitors and then businesses. He did not quite get what she said about diverse and distinct.

Councilmember Rizzi asked if she was suggesting that the community was diverse.

Councilmember Barker commented its residents are diverse. Its businesses are diverse. And its visitors are diverse. Distinct infers standing out as a single dot out there.

Councilmember Struble agreed.

Councilmember Barker commented whereas diverse really explains the mix of people.

Councilmember Struble commented they can put diverse down where distinct is.

Councilmember Barker commented rather than distinct.

City Manager Bryant Powell asked Councilmember Barker to read what she had been thinking.

Councilmember Barker commented she was a little bit concerned as she likes the word picturesque setting rather than beauty because she thinks it talks about everything that way. She does like the switching around of the verbiage on his, but she likes some of the wording of staff better.

Councilmember Struble commented he just could not figure out how to say it, the diverse community of

picturesque.

Councilmember Barker commented a community set in historic, picturesque beauty. She's trying here. She has not seen this until just now so she is trying.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented she is saying an historic, picturesque community of beauty and areas.

Councilmember Barker asked if that is saying the same thing.

Councilmember Struble commented he was just trying to find words that fit in with the sentences instead of picturesque and historic.

Councilmember Waldron asked if the word prosperity belongs in there and how will that happen.

Councilmember Struble asked how passion happens.

Councilmember Waldron commented passion is feeling, prosperity is for tangible items.

Councilmember Struble commented part of prosperity is to bring economic development.

Councilmember Waldron commented he gets that. He is not sure if it belongs in the vision statement.

Councilmember Struble commented we want to bring economic development to the community.

Councilmember Barker commented that is mission.

Councilmember Waldron agreed.

Councilmember Struble commented we want to bring prosperity to lift people up in their economic life. That is what he thinks prosperity is.

Councilmember Waldron commented he does like it in the second sentence, where it talks about the high standard, but he is not sure if prosperity should be there.

Councilmember Barker commented he is not sure

what prosperity is.

Councilmember Waldron commented it says a high standard of developing programs, events and attractions. He likes that. That is what is going to bring people here if we set the bar for the type of events and attractions we have here.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated it looks like we are still working through this. It has been a few months. We have worked through the views of council. Staff now has a little bit of input and can come back with two or three options. It has not been completed and another month will be okay, if that is okay with the council. They can maybe send out the information ahead of time and maybe get some more interaction that way.

Councilmember Rizzi asked if the councilmembers could send in some emails so that the next time they bring it back they could have some more suggestions. She asked if that is possible.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated this is ultimately the council's vision and it needs to be done as a collective group. This is way over in the public policy area. Staff wants to implement their vision and mission. He thought it might be a good idea to take some of these and give three different options on different words.

Public Information Officer Al Bravo stated he can easily draft them up with the notes he has taken from tonight's discussion as well as anything else that comes in. He will do it quickly.

Councilmember Waldron asked if they would be voting on this later on.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated the thought at the retreat was that you would vote on this by resolution.

Councilmember Waldron commented then they want to avoid the emailing.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he does not want to be doing emails back and forth. Staff will work on it and send over three options.

Councilmember Rizzi commented her suggestion

was if councilmembers had different verbiage they should email them to Al, not to each other.

City Manager Bryant Powell asked Councilmember Struble if he had any thoughts.

Councilmember Struble commented he likes the mission statement. It tells us how we are going to get things done.

Councilmember Evans commented she has one comment on the second sentence where it says we will set. She suggested while setting or with setting. She suggested just getting rid of will.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented that is why he said by setting a high standard.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated if there are any other comments they can keep working it.

Mayor Serdy closed the discussion and moved on to the next item. This was a discussion item only.

9. [18-041](#) Presentation and discussion on fiscal year 2018-2019 health and human services process and funding.

City Manager Bryant Powell briefed the council on the item.

Councilmember Barker asked for clarity's sake, he is inferring that \$28,000 go to parks and recreation for the senior center transportation and that the remaining \$72,000 is left for health and human services. We are cutting into the health and human services every year more and more.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated the services for transportation are the same. If they wish he can put \$100,000 in there and then they have parks and recreation competing.

Councilmember Barker commented she understood the \$22,000. The \$28,000 is a little much but because the idea behind health and human services was to assist those groups within the community who have clients that are in the community who need various things, whatever those things may be. We have funded a building for Community Alliance Against Family Abuse and food for the food bank. We have done a variety of those types of things. She thinks those are important, too. She would hate to see them continue to bite

into that budget. It seems like if they are going to do it this year, she would like to see it stop there so that they know from now on that the health and human services at least gets \$72,000 if we could manage that rather than next year say transportation this year is \$30,000 and the next year transportation this year is \$40,000. We have to find other avenues and we have been saying this since we started, since we took over the senior center. She asked if we have to find funding avenues for the senior center are those avenues going to be the health and human services budget.

Councilmember Waldron commented he agrees with the cap part of it, however, prior to us taking over the senior center part of the health and human services budget was transportation.

Councilmember Barker commented it did.

Councilmember Waldron commented so that money is still going for transportation.

Councilmember Barker commented she is asking for a cap on it which we would do in the health and human services as they went through that. We were still funding transportation for East Valley. They would cap it at a certain place because they would have other applications they had to consider.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated the health and human services commission never allocated funding for transportation at the senior center. It went through LTAF and other sources but it never went through the commission.

Councilmember Barker commented it was transportation that went through there. She asked if they never did any transportation through there.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated there was some. Remember, there was Ride Choice.

Councilmember Barker commented there were a couple of things.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated there were some lingering programs. There was some minor transportation but mostly what the commission recommended funds for was the congregate meals and the home-delivered meals. That was the bulk of their recommendation.

Councilmember Barker commented those things are being handled through the parks and recreation budget.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated that is correct.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated the funding source have changed over time. Parks and recreation covers that same service.

Councilmember Rizzi commented she used to serve on that board and she thought it was \$120,000 at that time.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated it was somewhere around \$110,000 and it was rolled back. It has never been as low as \$72,000.

Councilmember Rizzi asked when did they cut it back to \$80,000.

Assistant City Manager Matt Busby stated he thought it was \$80,000 during the recession and we were having layoffs.

Councilmember Rizzi commented we kept it at \$80,000 for several years.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated then they were able to go back to \$100,000. They can start at \$75,000 or they can try for more. His interest is making sure that we definitely want to keep it going, definitely need to set aside a budget and they will see how revenues and expenditures go. They will do their best to do the best we can and also do our best on our part in being a partner in the contract.

Councilmember Waldron commented they are going to change the procedure so that it is done earlier.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated that is correct.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated it can be done earlier but this is something that Joel would have to get involved in. She asked how they would do that so it is contingent upon successfully completing the existing contract if you do not want to throw good money after bad. She thinks it is workable.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he thinks it needs to be very workable. It is very important as this \$100,000 of a \$24 million general fund budget. We want to be very clear on how these contracts are done. They need to be able to go and do the services and we need to reimburse them. We need to do the work up front from his end and then they need to be done with it. He spends a significant amount, probably more than they know, of the city manager's time dealing with the nonprofits over the last two years of helping them understand this but he also feels we need to do our part in communicating with them. Otherwise, he may bring another recommendation that we really relook at this altogether.

Councilmember Struble commented he had a question. He went through this last year but it was his first year and he was still learning all the procedures, time frames and everything that goes along with it. He asked that he be corrected if he was wrong. We approved the money back last November or something. He asked for what time period was the money awarded.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated July 1 to June 30.

Councilmember Struble commented that money will be used up by June 30, 2018. They will have had to report back to us that they have done what we expected them to do with the money, sometime after July 1.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated they will need to produce and show evidence that they have served our community in a seven-month period from November.

Councilmember Struble asked if they would be giving us the report in July since it ends on June 30.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated as soon as it is produced. Kathy is our contract administrator.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated the contract says for each quarter because they have to report quarterly. They have to file their quarterly report within 10 city working days after the end of the quarter. Their June 30 report is filed somewhere around mid-July.

Councilmember Struble commented they are changing the process of awarding 2018-2019 money in June of 2018, but maybe he misunderstood.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated that would be a perfect time. The same time we do the budget we align the contracts so that they understand what they are going to be able to do and produce starting July 1 and would it be the same as our fiscal year.

Councilmember Struble asked when would the processes start in January for when we put out a request for whatever that reason.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated in January by code Kathy's staff will send that out.

Councilmember Struble commented they will put it out there so that they can send it to us by like March or April or something.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated Kathy has a process. He thinks it is by the end of January.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated letters go out to various agencies that have asked to be put on our list. Those letters go out very early in December and they have until January 31, or whatever the last working day in January is, to submit their requests.

Councilmember Struble asked if that is the way it has always been.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated that is by code. That is the way it has always been.

Councilmember Struble commented that we did not actually award them until November for this past year because we delayed it because of whatever reason.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated for a variety of reasons including late filing of that last quarterly report.

Councilmember Struble commented on the timing of it. Probably after three-quarters of the year we will know whether or not an entity is performing the duties of what they are supposed to be doing. We will be able to make a judgment upon those. He asked if that was correct.

Councilmember Barker agreed.

City Manager Bryant Powell asked the city attorney if they can hardwire that into the contract.

City Attorney Joel Stern asked if he meant the new ones or the existing ones.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated the new ones.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated they can. There is a way to do that.

Councilmember Struble commented he is trying to understand the process here. We can make an educated decision as to who we want to award those monies to.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated part of the problem is, and he does not get involved in this but he hears about it, sometimes the invoices come in and they do not really represent what is actually supposed to be done under the contract. As Kathy said, sometimes they are late and sometimes they are real late and they are demanding their money. Sometimes you cannot give the money to them. They have to meet everything they have agreed to in the contract and sometimes that does not happen and so they do not get paid.

Councilmember Barker commented in the contract we have to be much more specific about the 10 days. If it is not received in 10 days, they are done. She is sorry but that is the way life goes. In order to do this, we have to have certain rules in place. If these folks are awarded these contracts and cannot meet those rules, then she is afraid that they are going to have to be off the list. Ten days is pretty good at the end of the quarter.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated it is 10 city working days.

Councilmember Barker commented so that is two weeks and that is not bad. The TPTs give us 15 days or some absurd thing and mine is usually done within the first 5 days of the next month. Number one, they have to look at these contracts, number two she agrees with him wholeheartedly that this needs to come to us in May, and so that we can then decide on them and be done with it when we get that budget in June, it is already there and we have it done. She agrees with him 100% that three-quarters would be perfect. That

means that April 10 or thereabouts we ought to have those third-quarter things in. That gives us a month to have health and human services meet et cetera.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated she would have enough information at that time, and in some cases she has enough information now, to let the commission know how some of the agencies are doing with the current agreement.

Councilmember Struble asked if they can award a contract before we approve a budget.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated it would be on the same night. They would get them signed so that the council would know they have been signed and have not made any changes to the contract. All the mayor would have to do is sign off on it.

Councilmember Struble commented that is the plan. It is basically do the same thing.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated again, the contract would be enforceable and usable if they meet the terms of the existing one. It would have to be contingent in some way, shape or form, at least this time.

Councilmember Barker agreed.

Councilmember Struble asked if they have to award all the money.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated they do not.

Councilmember Struble asked if there is anything out there that says they have to.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated there is no mandate.

Councilmember Struble commented hypothetically, they have 5 people, current entities that we are using and one of them does not fulfill the obligations of their contract. The other 4 have requested money that does not add up to this \$72,000 or \$78,000, wherever we are at. He asked if they are obligated to get to that level or amount.

Councilmember Barker commented they have other people on the list. It is not that we use the same 5 or

6 people.

Councilmember Struble commented he understands that. He is just asking about the process.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated it is a legislative decision.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated if they really want to change the process she did some really quick research in the past couple of days. There are communities that have small grants, and they are using the word grants. They are specifically for city residents only and these are mainly art programs. But there is one community that the grant availability is limited to \$10,000 per agency. That agency cannot be receiving city assistance in any other way, shape or form. And they have to have matching funds in the form of cash, no in-kind contributions. There are all kinds of models out there. She does not think there is much wrong with our model but if they wanted to really dig into it there are other options.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he really thinks our model is great but it does need some fine tuning. That will really help both sides and they will work to bring a council direction to staff to them very quickly.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated what would really be ideal is if there are some strong words in there that say if they are not in compliance by this day, their funds are ended.

Councilmember Barker commented she liked that. These are taxpayer dollars that we are giving them to help taxpayers. If they are not meeting that criteria then they should not be receiving those funds.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated these are local taxpayer dollars which she emphasizes to all of the organizations. Unlike larger cities like Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa, who have available federal grants to them so they can be more liberal with how they use the funds, we do not have that.

Councilmember Rizzi commented she is a little surprised to hear that the rules were not a little more stringent. She was under the impression that if they did not meet the deadlines that they were not getting the funding. She thought that they did have that as part of the contract.

City Attorney Joel Stern stated the language allowed them to submit continuing invoices but they would not get paid until they submitted something that staff agreed meets what they are supposed to be doing. We did not cut them off.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he thinks this establishes a nice opportunity to hit the reset button. This is easy. We have a great health and human services commission who do great work in working through it to have that discussion as we work through this next fiscal year.

Councilmember Waldron commented he thinks the other argument is if we do not award the money until November or wherever then their services are not being provided because they do not know if they are going to get the funding. And then all of a sudden they are thrust into a small time frame. He thinks this needs to be done.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated they need to get this in the proper order.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated she receives quarterly reports from some of the agencies even before the contracts have been awarded.

Councilmember Waldron commented he knows that some of them know they have dedicated funding and stuff and they cannot provide those services until they have the money in hand. He thinks it is a disservice to them if we are asking them to do this and they do not have the funds.

Mayor Serdy asked where they are going from here.

City Manager Bryant Powell stated he is thinking in two weeks or maybe the first meeting in April they will seek council direction to staff and at that point they will be able to bring them back in May or June. He is hoping they can bring the health and human services commission recommendations back in May or June of each year.

City Clerk Kathleen Connelly stated they only have four applications, the same four agencies as previously and for a total of \$110,000.

Mayor Serdy commented when he was at city

hall today he saw the budget meetings have already started and there is a lot of behind the scenes work. People do not realize how hard it is to put that budget together. Anything to make it easier and more streamlined. He then closed the discussion on this item and, as this was a discussion item only with no action, moved on to the next item.

K. COUNCIL DIRECTION TO STAFF

None.

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

Yes: 5 - Mayor Serdy, Vice Mayor Wilson, Councilmember Barker, Councilmember Struble and Evans

No: 0

Councilmember Barker MOVED THAT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:00 P.M. AND A WORK SESSION AT 7:00 P.M. BE HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018, 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, MARCH 20, 2018, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM.

Councilmember Evans SECONDED THE MOTION.

VOTE: Unanimous.

The motion carried.

- 10. [18-079](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Monday, March 19, 2018.
- 11. [18-080](#) Executive Session at 6:00 P.M. and Work Session at 7:00 P.M. for Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Other meetings if necessary.

M. CALL TO PUBLIC

Ms. Shirley (no last name given), 1617 S. Cortez, Apache Junction, addressed the council regarding considering paving Cortez between 16th Avenue and 18th Avenue and requested the city to keep up the city property in front of their RV park.

Ms. Dana Osborne, 5130 E. Superstition Blvd., Apache Junction, addressed the council regarding the health and human services contracts time frame, the amount of funding, hours spent on

the reports and rewriting the contracts and processes.

N. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serdy adjourned the meeting at 8:17
p.m.