



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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Tuesday, July 7, 2020

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Serdy called the special meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff in Attendance:

Matt Busby, Assistant City Manager
Anna McCray, Assistant to the City Manager
Joel Stern, City Attorney
Jennifer Pena, City Clerk
Al Bravo, Public Information Officer
Larry Kirch, Development Services Director
Thomas Kelly, Chief of Police
Donna Meinerts, Finance Director

PUBLIC HEARING

1. [20-148](#) Consideration for approval of Resolution No. 20-13, fully adopting estimates of expenditures by the City of Apache Junction for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021; declaring establishment of the budget for the City of Apache Junction for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and declaring an emergency.

Councilmember Barker moved, seconded by Councilmember Rizzi to approve Resolution No. 20-13, fully adopting estimates of expenditures by the City of Apache Junction for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021; declaring establishment of the budget for the City of Apache Junction for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and declaring an emergency and bringing the 2.5% staff increase back to council in August.

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

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Assistant City Manager stated that nothing has changed from the adopted tentative budget.

Vice Mayor Wilson asked if the city staff step increase is included in the budget. Mr. Busby replied it is and stated that city management would not have proposed the step increase if they did not think it was doable but that it is up to council to ultimately decide if they do not want it included.

Councilmember Struble shared that council needs to consider that we need to retain our staff as it is competitive out there with other cities. He said it costs more money to continuously retrain staff then to retain the staff we have.

Mayor Serdy opened the public hearing.

George Schroeder, 2444 W. Virginia Street, stated that this virus is not going to go away any time soon. He said that hard times are coming and council better look ahead before making decisions.

Charles Beal, 2334 S. Cardinal Drive, stated that Matt Busby did a great job on presenting the budget last night. He does not agree with Mr. Struble that staff stays for money, he believes they stay because they like their job.

Mayor Serdy closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Rizzi stated she has concerns regarding the step increase and where the city tax revenue will go.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Serdy adjourned the special meeting at 7:23 pm.

ACCEPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020, BY THE MAYOR
AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APACHE JUNCTION, ARIZONA.

SIGNED AND ATTESTED TO THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020.

JEFF SERDY
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 meeting of the City Council of the City of Apache Junction, Arizona, held on the _____ day of _____, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2020.

JENNIFER PEÑA
City Clerk