Action Minutes

Regular City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers, Sedona City Hall,
102 Roadrunner Drive, Sedona, Arizona
Tuesday, March 26, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence/Roll Call

Mayor Moriarty called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Sandy Moriarty, Vice Mayor John Martinez, Councilor Bill Chisholm, Councilor John Currivan, Councilor Janice Hudson, Councilor Scott Jablow, Councilor Jessica Williamson.

Staff Present: City Manager Justin Clifton, Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Karen Osburn, City Attorney Robert Pickels, Jr., City Prosecutor/Assistant City Attorney Lisa Weiler-Parsons, Lieutenant Lucas Wilcoxson, Wastewater Manager Roxanne Holland, Public Works Director/City Engineer Andy Dickey, Engineering Supervisor Stephen Craver, Associate Engineer James Crowley, Associate Engineer Bob Welch, Assistant Engineer Ryan Mortillaro, PC Helpdesk Technician Pam Clark, GIS Analyst Lisa Luers, Director of Financial Services Cherie Wright, Parks & Recreation Manager Rachel Murdoch, City Clerk Susan Irvine.

2. City's Vision

A video of the City's Vision was played.

- 3. Consent Items
- a. Minutes March 12, 2019 City Council Regular Meeting.
- b. Approval of Proclamation, Annual Start by Believing Day, April 3, 2019.
- c. AB 2463 Approval of resolutions authorizing Intergovernmental Agreements between the City and the Sedona-Oak Creek Joint Unified School District No. 9 for: 1) Operation and Maintenance of the Sedona Community Swimming Pool and 2) Use of Facilities.
- d. AB 2468 Approval of a Construction Contract with Kinney Construction, LLC in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,923,094 for the Wastewater Collection System Improvements (Mystic Hills and Chapel Lift Stations); and approval of a Professional Services Contract with Sunrise Engineering, Inc. for post design services for the Wastewater Collection System Improvements (Mystic Hills and Chapel Lift Stations) in an amount not-to-exceed \$137,600.
- e. AB 2477 Approval of recommendation regarding a new Series 11 Hotel/Motel Liquor License for Amara Resort & Spa located at 100 Amara Lane, Sedona, AZ (File #52803).
- f. AB 2445 Approval of the Sedona Sustainable Tourism Plan.

Item 3f was pulled at the request of Vice Mayor Martinez.

Motion: Vice Mayor Martinez moved to approve consent items 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d, and 3e. Seconded by Councilor Williamson. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Martinez, Chisholm, Currivan, Hudson, Jablow, and Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

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Pulled Consent Items -

3f. AB 2445 Approval of the Sedona Sustainable Tourism Plan.

Questions from Council which were answered by Justin Clifton and Jennifer Wesselhoff, President and CEO of the Sedona Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau.

Motion: Vice Mayor Martinez moved to approve the Sedona Sustainable Tourism Plan. Seconded by Councilor Jablow. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Martinez, Chisholm, Currivan, Hudson, Jablow, and Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

4. Appointments - None.

5. Summary of Current Events by Mayor/Councilors/City Manager

Councilor Williamson urged everyone to check out the Library's programs and events as they have added many interesting things. Councilor Jablow stated that Earth Day is April 22nd, and the Sustainability Alliance is creating a map of events in the area for the entire month of April at www.vvearthday.com. He also advised that Paul Chevalier, the Verde Valley representative on the Yavapai College Board, is attempting to bring a centralized career and technical education facility to the Verde Valley. This will be on the agenda for the College on April 23rd at 12:45 p.m. in Building M of the Clarkdale campus. Councilor Chisholm advised that the Sustainability Alliance is looking for 6,000 pledges from people for days in April where they don't eat meat, dairy, fish, or eggs and have received 1,961 so far. Vice Mayor Martinez stated that Yappy Hour is switching to summer hours on April 1st and will begin at 8:00 a.m. due to the warmer weather. Mayor Moriarty related that the Food Truck Festival was last weekend with approximately 4,000 in attendance. This Saturday the Vietnam Veterans Day event will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Camp Verde at the Fort Verde State Park. Vice Mayor Martinez stated that the community pool opening has been delayed due to a lack of lifeguards.

6. Public Forum

Jon Thompson, Sedona, expressed his appreciation in the Council's approval of the Sustainable Tourism Plan and for elevating sustainability to a high priority at their January retreat. He advised that Earth Day month is April and urged everyone to participate in the Plants for the Planet pledge program.

Craig Meyers, Sedona, expressed his displeasure with the internet service provided by Suddenlink. He asked if there was anything the City could do to get improved service.

7. Proclamations, Recognitions, and Awards

a. Presentation of a check for Proposition 202 funding from the Yavapai-Apache Nation to the City of Sedona.

Vice Chairman Larry Jackson presented a check in the amount of \$18,050.50 for Proposition 202 funding to the City on behalf of the Yavapai-Apache Nation. Mayor Moriarty thanked them for their generous donation.

b. Presentation of Proclamation, Annual Start by Believing Day, April 3, 2019.

Mayor Moriarty read the Proclamation and presented it to Sergeant James Tobin from the Yavapai College Police Department. Sergeant Tobin thanked the Council for the recognition and support for this issue. He invited everyone to a series of events on April 3rd at Yavapai College in Clarkdale.

- 8. Regular Business
- a. AB 2457 Public hearing/discussion/possible action regarding the adoption of a Development Impact Fee Land Use Assumptions Document & Infrastructure Improvement Plan as required by A.R.S. § 9-463.05 for the City of Sedona to adopt updated Development Impact Fees.

Presentation by Karen Osburn.

Questions from Council.

Opened the public hearing at 5:13 p.m.

No comments were heard.

Closed the public hearing and brought back to Council at 5:13 p.m.

Motion: Councilor Williamson moved to adopt the Development Impact Fee Land Use Assumptions Document & Infrastructure Improvement Plan. Seconded by Councilor Hudson. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Martinez, Chisholm, Currivan, Hudson, Jablow, and Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

b. AB 2464 Discussion/possible direction regarding the findings and recommendations of the wastewater financial plan, cost of service analysis, and rate study prepared by Willdan Financial Services.

Presentation by Cherie Wright, Willdan Financial Services Project Manager Kevin Burnett, Deputy Project Manager Pat Walker, and Justin Clifton.

Questions from Council.

Break at 6:55 p.m. Reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

Opened to the public at 7:15 p.m.

The following spoke regarding this item: Kali Gajewski, Sedona, Craig Meyers, Sedona.

Brought back to Council at 7:19 p.m.

Continuation of presentation. Additional questions and comments from Council.

By majority consensus, Council directed staff and the consultants as follows:

- 1. pursue Option D (Assumed 100% of water use October through April and 70% of water use May through September & Combined Residential Standard and Low Flow) for the rate
- 2. Use Option B based on meter size for Capacity Fees
- 3. Sales Tax Subsidy should be reduced by a fixed amount of \$100,000 per year
- 4. No rate increases until 2025 assuming no significant changes in financial needs
- 5. Debt financing may be considered in the future if the need arises
- 6. Use highest strength rate for mixed use accounts with flexibility afforded

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7. Fee waivers should be allowed.

AB 2476 Presentation/discussion regarding Yavapai County's Verde C. Connect Project.

Introduction by Justin Clifton. Presentation by Yavapai County Assistant Public Works Director Roger McCormick and Vamshi Yellisetty Project Manager from Jacobs Engineering.

Questions from Council.

Presentation and discussion only. No action taken.

AB 2461 Discussion/possible action regarding proposed State legislation and its potential impact on the City of Sedona.

Presentation by Robert Pickels, Jr.

Questions and comments from Council.

Discussion only. No action taken.

Reports/discussion regarding Council assignments e.

Councilor Chisholm advised that he attended a Sedona Recycles meeting and they continue to struggle but are pursuing grants. They are celebrating their 30th anniversary this year and are planning a celebration in November.

f. Discussion/possible action on future meeting/agenda items

Mayor Moriarty advised that there is a work session tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. Councilor Jablow requested an agenda item for April 9th for a letter of support for the Yavapai College pursuit of a trades school. Councilor Williamson seconded the request. Robert Pickels, Jr. asked that Council consider the request from the League for service on their policy committees.

9. **Executive Session**

Upon a public majority vote of the members constituting a quorum, the Council may hold an Executive Session that is not open to the public for the following purposes:

- To consult with legal counsel for advice on matters listed on this agenda per a. A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).
- Return to open session. Discussion/possible action on executive session b. items.

No Executive Session was held.

10. Adjournment

Mayor Moriarty adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m. without objection.

I certify that the above are the true and correct actions of the Regular City Council Meeting held on March 26, 2019.

Susan L. Irvine, CMC, City Clerk

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