

**Action Minutes  
Regular City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers, Sedona City Hall,  
102 Roadrunner Drive, Sedona, Arizona  
Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 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 Scott Jablow, Councilor Kathy Kinsella, Councilor Tom Lamkin, Councilor Holli Ploog, Councilor Jessica Williamson.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Justin Clifton, Assistant City Manager/Director of Community Development Karen Osburn, City Attorney Kurt Christianson, Director of Wastewater Roxanne Holland, Economic Development Director Molly Spangler, Economic Development VISTA Specialist Sean Brooks, Sustainability Coordinator McKenzie Jones, City Clerk Susan Irvine.

**2. City's Vision**

Mayor Moriarty read the City's Vision.

**3. Consent Items**

- a. **Minutes - March 9, 2021 City Council Special Meeting - Executive Session.**
- b. **Minutes - March 9, 2021 City Council Regular Meeting.**
- c. **Approval of Proclamation, National Service Recognition Day, April 6, 2021.**
- d. **AB 2661 Approval of award of a Professional Services Contract for design services for the Wastewater Collection System Improvements – Major Lift Station Upgrades Project to Carollo Engineers, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$187,266.**

**Motion: Vice Mayor Jablow moved to approve consent items 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d. Seconded by Councilor Ploog. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with six (6) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.**

**4. Appointments – None.**

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

Vice Mayor Jablow advised that the deadline to join the Solar Co-op is March 31<sup>st</sup>, and more information is available on the City's website. Councilor Lamkin gave kudos to the Parks & Recreation Department for the Sedona Stumble event held last weekend with approximately 150 runners participating with COVID-19 safety protocols in place. Councilor Ploog stated that cemetery walks "Voices from the Grave" hosted by the Sedona Museum will take place on April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 and 4:30 p.m. at the Sherman Red Rock Cemetery. Tickets can be obtained at [sedonamuseum.org](http://sedonamuseum.org). Councilor Kinsella advised that the Sedona Community Center received the 2020 Yavapai County Health Services Golden Plate Award for the 10<sup>th</sup> time. They are also looking for volunteers for their Meals on Wheels Program for Tuesdays and Thursdays and interested people should call Peggy Denden at 282-2834. Mayor Moriarty congratulated the Sedona Red

Rock High School girls' basketball team who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in their division at the state basketball tournament and only lost in the last second of the game.

## **6. Public Forum**

Janeen Trevillyan, Sedona, stated that the Sedona Historical Society and Heritage Museum's 2020 annual report is published and is available on their website. She also thanked the City for their support of the museum and for adding Councilor Ploog as a liaison.

Jon Thompson, Sedona, spoke about Section M of the Council Rules of Procedure and suggested an addition as follows: "Except for the development of interview questions, all planning, interviewing, deliberating, and selection processes performed by Council shall be conducted in open session." He felt that elections are a public process, and the selection process should also be as public as possible.

## **7. Proclamations, Recognitions, and Awards**

### **a. Presentation of Proclamation, National Service Recognition Day, April 6, 2021.**

Mayor Moriarty read the proclamation and presented it to Molly Spangler, Sean Brooks, and McKenzie Jones. Molly thanked the Council for the recognition and spoke about the value and importance of AmeriCorps and their volunteer program. Molly introduced her current VISTA volunteer in Economic Development Sean Brooks and advised that Gabe Desmond will begin shortly with the Sustainability Program. Sean Brooks stated that he was honored to serve the City of Sedona and work with his mentor, Molly Spangler.

### **b. Recognition of outgoing City Manager Justin Clifton.**

Jon Thompson, Sedona, thanked Justin for his service to Sedona and wished him luck in his new position.

John Martinez, Sedona, talked about interviewing Justin for the City Manager, thanked him for his service to the City, and wished him luck.

Councilor Kinsella thanked Justin for teaching her so much in the short time she has served on the City Council and advised that he has made lasting impacts on the City. She wished him luck in Palm Springs.

Councilor Ploog thanked Justin for making her transition onto the City Council easy and recognized the impact he made on Sedona over the past 6 years.

Councilor Williamson stated that Justin is a talented motivator who is a visionary. She thanked him for his improvements to the City and the staff. She expressed appreciation for his impact on the City.

Vice Mayor Jablow related that Justin's vision and drive moved the City forward and was very refreshing. He has been a wealth of knowledge for the City and will be missed.

Councilor Lamkin advised that the best decision the City made was to hire Justin as it's leader and wished him well.

Mayor Moriarty recognized Justin Clifton for his service as the City Manager over the past six years and thanked him for all of his hard work and accomplishments on behalf of the City.

Justin stated that it was an honor to serve the City, and it has been deeply meaningful. He has enjoyed working with cooperative Councils and a great team of staff members. He stated that working here has been like working with family or a close network of friends, and he looked forward to coming to work every day. He said that Sedona will never leave his heart and that he will return someday.

Mayor Moriarty and Vice Mayor Jablow presented Justin with a photograph of Sedona as a parting gift.

## **8. Regular Business**

- a. AB 2662 Discussion/possible action regarding a resolution approving a Developer Agreement between the City of Sedona and Inn Sedona, LLC which provides for a financial contribution from the City in the approximate amount of \$14,168 towards the construction of a workforce housing unit located at 87 Hart Road for a period of ten (10) years.**

Presentation by Karen Osburn, Max Licher, and Kurt Christianson.

Questions from Council. Councilor Ploog stated for the record that she appreciated Steve Segner creating workforce housing.

Opened to the public at 5:55 p.m.

Linda Martinez, Sedona, spoke in favor of this item.

Brought back to Council at 5:59 p.m.

Comments from Council.

**Motion: Councilor Ploog moved to approve Resolution 2021-04 authorizing a Development Agreement between the City of Sedona and Inn Sedona, LLC which provides for a financial contribution from the City in the amount of \$14,168 towards the construction of an affordable housing unit located at Hart Road, Sedona, Arizona. Seconded by Vice Mayor Jablow. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with six (6) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.**

- b. AB 2660 Discussion/possible action regarding proposed amendments to the Sedona City Council Rules of Procedures and Policies.**

Presentation by Kurt Christianson.

Questions and comments from Council.

**By majority consensus, Council agreed that the Rules will be further edited following the discussion and brought back under Consent Items at a future meeting.**

- c. AB 2646 Discussion/possible action regarding proposed State legislation and its potential impact on the City of Sedona.**

Presentation by Kurt Christianson.

Questions and comments from Council.

**Presentation and discussion only.**

- d. **AB 2571 Discussion/possible direction regarding issues surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and the City's response.**

Presentation by Justin Clifton.

Questions and comments from Council.

**Presentation and discussion only.**

- e. **Reports/discussion regarding Council assignments**

Councilor Williamson advised that the Library is going to open under their regular hours in early April. April 7<sup>th</sup> is Library Giving Day where donations will be matched by a private donor. Vice Mayor Jablow advised that KSB has merged with the Verde Valley Land Preservation Institute. Councilor Lamkin stated that the Celebration of Spring will take place Saturday as a drive thru event.

- f. **Discussion/possible action regarding future meeting/agenda items**

Councilor Ploog requested a future agenda item related to redistricting. Councilor Kinsella supported this request.

**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:**


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

No Executive Session was held.

**10. Adjournment**

Mayor Moriarty adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m. without objection.

**I certify that the above are the true and correct actions of the Regular City Council Meeting held on March 23, 2021.**

  
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Susan L. Irvine, CMC, City Clerk

  
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