

**Action Minutes
Regular City Council Meeting
City Council Chambers, Sedona City Hall,
102 Roadrunner Drive, Sedona, Arizona
Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 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 Jon Thompson, Councilor Jessica Williamson.

Staff Present: City Manager Karen Osburn, Deputy City Manager Joanne Keene, City Engineer/Assistant City Manager Andy Dickey, City Attorney Kurt Christianson, Director of Financial Services Cherie Wright, Principal Planner Cynthia Lovely, Senior Planner Mike Raber, Community Development Director Jess McNeely, Associate Engineer Bob Welch, Associate Engineer Stephen Craver, Sustainability Coordinator Gabe Desmond, Sustainability Coordinator Bryce Beck, Sustainability Manager Alicia Peck, Arts Coordinator Nancy Lattanzi, Deputy City Clerk Cherise Fullbright, City Clerk JoAnne Cook.

2. City's Vision/Moment of Art

The City's Vision video was played.

Nancy Lattanzi announced the upcoming artist reception will take place on Thursday, February 10, 2022, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Featured artist are master painters Betty Carr and Howard Carr and painters Susan Kliever and Jeff Dolan. Special music guests will be Gina Machovina and husband Alberto Hinojoza.

Nancy Lattanzi introduced Ted Grussing for the Moment of Art. Nancy stated that Ted's photographic art is in private and public collections worldwide. He is published in Arizona Highways and many related Arizona publications, Arizona Geological Survey, USFS, EPA, Grand Canyon Trust, and many other publications. Ted is published daily on www.sedona.biz and numerous other blogs and websites. He writes a monthly article for Sedona Monthly featuring his photography and publishes a 4x week blog with his photography and thoughts on life. He gives presentations to numerous civic groups in the area and is an invited speaker at symposiums for the USFS and other agencies. Twice a year he produces shows featuring his photography at the Mary Fisher Theater and also for other groups. On March 25th and 26th he will have live performances at the Mary Fisher Theater and in April a presentation at the Verde Valley Birding and Nature Festival.

Ted shared photos taken of the area landscapes and of animals.

3. Consent Items

- a. **Minutes - January 25, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting.**
- b. **Minutes - January 26, 2022 City Council Special Meeting.**
- c. **AB 2766 2773 Approval of Change Order No. 2 to the SR179 Sewer Main Upsize Phase II construction contract with Standard Construction Company, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$374,508.72.**

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- d. **AB 2775 Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for Election Services with the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors and the Yavapai County Recorder.**
- e. **AB 2777 Approval of a Resolution authorizing a cost-share agreement with Los Abridados for the Brewer Road Connection Project.**

Motion: Councilor Williamson moved to approve the consent agenda items. Seconded by Councilor Thompson. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Thompson, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

4. Appointments – None.

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

Vice Mayor announced the 50th St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Saturday, March 12, 2022 at 10:30 a.m., online registration is open until February 21st; the Annual Sedona Food Truck Festival and Stumble will take place on Saturday, March 26th; a disk golf course has been installed at the Loop Trail and is available for use seven days a week; and Yappy Hour at Posse Grounds takes place every Thursday from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Councilor Ploog stated the annual Chili Cook Off Event will be held on Sunday May 8th at Sedona Red Rock High School.

6. Public Forum – No public comment.

7. Proclamations, Recognitions, and Awards – None.

8. Regular Business

- a. **AB 2772 Discussion/possible action regarding the adoption of a Resolution approving the sale and execution and delivery of Excise Tax Revenue Obligations, Series 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$25 million; approving the form and authorizing the execution and delivery of necessary agreements, instruments and documents; delegating authority to determine certain matters with respect to the foregoing and declaring an emergency.**

Introduction by Cherie Wright. Presentation by Stifel Managing Director Mark Reader.

Questions and comments from Council.

Motion: Councilor Thompson moved to approve Resolution 2022-01, approving the sale, execution, and delivery of excise tax revenue obligations evidencing a proportionate interest of the owners thereof in a purchase agreement from the City; approving the form and authorizing the execution and delivery of such purchase agreement and other necessary agreements for such sale; delegating authority to designate certain terms thereof; authorizing the taking of all other actions necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the resolution and declaring an emergency. Seconded by Councilor Kinsella. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Thompson, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

Item 8f was moved ahead of item 8b item so public in attendance would not have to wait to speak.

- b. AB 2719 Discussion/possible action regarding the approval of a Resolution adopting new public participation procedures for the Sedona Community Plan update.**

Presentation by Mike Raber, Cynthia Lovely, and Jess McNeely.

Questions and comments from Council.

Motion: Councilor Ploog moved to approve Resolution 2022-02 adopting new Public Participation Procedures for the update of the Sedona Community Plan with Exhibit A amended. Seconded by Councilor Thompson. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Thompson, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

Item 8d was moved ahead of 8c.

- c. AB 2740 Discussion/possible direction regarding an update on progress made on the Climate Action Plan.**

Alicia Peck introduced herself to Council. She commended Gabe Desmond and Bryce Beck for their work in the interim. Presentation from Gabe Desmond and Bryce Beck.

Comments and questions from Council.

Discussion only, no direction given.

- d. AB 2770 Discussion/possible direction regarding a citizen-initiated request for the City Council to support the establishment of a not-for-profit, volunteer membership organization to create a formal Sister Cities program in the Sedona community.**

Presentation by Patrick Schwiess, Winifred Muench, and Chuck Marr.

Opened to public at 8:49 p.m.

Beth DuPree, Sedona spoke in favor of the program, Paul Friedman, Sedona, spoke in favor of the program and the success of the Ollie program, Sara Crosby-Hartman, Sedona, spoke in favor of the program.

Brought back to Council at 8:59 p.m.

Comments and questions from Council.

By majority consensus, Council supported the establishment of a non-profit volunteer membership Sedona Sister Cities association, which will be self-sustaining and requires no City Funding, with limited staff involvement. The Mayor will appoint a liaison to the Association.

Council continued to item 8c.

- e. AB 2774 Discussion/possible action regarding a modification to hours and benefits for the Court Security Officer position.**

Presentation by Judge Schegel.

Comments and questions from Council.

Motion: Councilor Thompson moved to approve a modification to the Court Security Officer position to allow 20 hours per week and to add the benefit of

enrollment in the Arizona State Retirement System, for the remainder of this fiscal year and continuing into next fiscal year. Seconded by Councilor Kinsella. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Moriarty, Jablow, Kinsella, Lamkin, Ploog, Thompson, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed.

- f. AB 2769 Discussion/possible direction regarding local short-term rental regulation including recent short-term rental strategies considered by other cities and towns.**

Presentation by Kurt Christianson and Joanne Keene.

Questions and comments from Council.

Opened to public at 5:34 p.m.

The following spoke in favor of short-term rentals and retaining local control, and against the Paradise Valley regulations:

Max Knaus, Sedona, Julie Fischer, Sedona and Surprise, David Foster, Sedona, , Brian Fultz, Sedona, spoke against the restrictions of Paradise Valley, Rev. Walter, Sedona, Joyce Burger, Sedona, Sandra Rolas, Sedona, Monica Wilson, Sedona Virginia Camp, Sedona, Megan Elliott, Flagstaff, thanked Council for their willingness to listen, David Ramus, Cornville, Vincent VanVeet, Sedona and Phoenix, Eric Marrell, Sedona, Kelly & Andrew Gromoll, Sedona and Scottsdale, Shey Khadnro, Sedona, Gabriel Browne, Sedona, Dawn Koss, Sedona, Heidi Danahy, Sedona, Sitara VanBlock, Sedona, thanked Council, Sara Alper First, Lillian Harris, Sedona, Gretchen Van Tassel, Sedona, Mark Wisby, Sedona, also voiced concerns with the lack of enforcement of the ordinances, Annie Strum, Sedona, also voiced concerns with the STR hotline.

Pete Furman, Sedona, thanked Councilor Williamson for bringing up the issue of Aspen, Co. and voiced concerns with the rise in short-term rentals and the drop in long term rentals and thanked Council for listening to public, Jonathan Earle, Sedona, spoke regarding the need for owners to work with Council for resolution.

Brought back to Council at 6:43 p.m.

Questions and Comments from Council.

Council provided recommendations for staff to bring back to Council at a future date.

Break at 7:26 p.m. Reconvened at 7:47 p.m. with item 8b.

- g. AB 2759 Discussion/possible direction/action regarding proposed State legislation, short-term rental legislation and State budget and their potential impact on the City of Sedona.**

Presentation by Joanne Keene.

By majority consensus, Council agreed to support the opposition of HB 2674, HB 2375, and HB 2356, and to support HB 2711.

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

No presentation given.

Questions from Council.

i. Reports/discussion regarding Council assignments.

Councilor Lamkin said he will be chairing the next meeting of the Water Plateau committee.

j. Discussion/possible action regarding future meeting/agenda items.

Mayor advised there is a Council meeting tomorrow.

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:

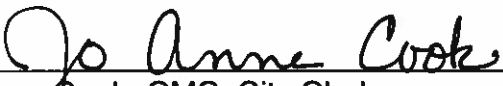
- a. To consult with legal counsel for advice on matters listed on this agenda per A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).**
- b. Return to open session. Discussion/possible action on executive session items.**

No Executive Session was held.

10. Adjournment

Mayor Moriarty adjourned the meeting at 10:54 p.m. without objection.

I certify that the above are the true and correct actions of the Regular City Council Meeting held on February 8, 2022.



JoAnne Cook, CMC, City Clerk

2/23/2022
Date