

**Action Minutes  
Regular City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers, Sedona City Hall,  
102 Roadrunner Drive, Sedona, Arizona  
Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 4:30 p.m.**

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

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

**Council Present:** Mayor Scott Jablow, Vice Mayor Holli Ploog, Councilor Melissa Dunn, Councilor Brian Fultz, Councilor Pete Furman, Councilor Kathy Kinsella, and Councilor Jessica Williamson.

**Staff Present:** City Manager Karen Osburn, Deputy City Manager Joanne Keene, Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works Andy Dickey, City Attorney Kurt Christianson, Police Chief Foley, Transit Administrator Robert Weber, Arts Coordinator Nancy Lattanzi, Sustainability Manager Alicia Peck, Assistant City Attorney Roger Tarbutton, Parks and Recreation Manager Dawn Norman, Aquatic and Recreation Supervisor Josh Frewin, and City Clerk JoAnne Cook.

**2. City's Vision/Moment of Art**

The City's Vision Statement was played.

Nancy Lattanzi stated the new art exhibit at City Hall features artists Stephanie Brand and Cannon Winkler. She said there will be an art reception at City Hall on March 2, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Musician Damiyr will be performing.

Nancy Lattanzi introduced musician Damiyr. He performed two songs, *Kingdom Come* and *My Prayer*. Damiyr has performed on America's Got Talent, Celebrity Undercover Boss, Uproxx: Uncharted, Hot 97 featured by Wu Tang (People Say), The Big Quiet and on YouTube.

**3. Consent Items**

**a. Minutes - December 13, 2022 City Council Special Meeting-Executive Session.**

**b. Minutes - December 13, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting.**

**Motion: Vice Mayor Ploog moved to approve consent items 3a and 3b. Seconded by Councilor Kinsella. Vote: Motion passed with seven (7) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Kinsella, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed).**

**4. Appointments - None.**

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

Vice Mayor Ploog advised she and the Mayor went to the inauguration of our state-wide elected officials and had an opportunity to speak with lobbyists and Verde Valley and state officials.

Councilor Kinsella advised the City's first Winter Play Day will be January 14, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., at the Posse Grounds Park.

Vice Mayor Ploog stated the Grasshopper Youth Basketball games begin Saturday, January 14, and are held at the West Sedona School Gym on Saturdays through February; the B.E.S.T. Sports for Kids - The Beginners Edge Sports Training Program are weekend youth sports clinics for youth ages 16 months up to 10 years old; StoryTime in the Park is temporarily being held at the Sedona Public Library through the month of January; Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. and are free. Parks and Recreation Pickleball Organized Play (POP) takes place on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Sundays. Yappy Hour is on Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. at Posse

Grounds Park at the temporary location on the Lower Softball Field. Open Gym is Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at the West Sedona School Gym. Private tennis lessons are offered on Mondays or Wednesdays at Posse Grounds Park Tennis Courts. Councilor Williamson encouraged all to view the quilt exhibit at the Sedona Library.

## **6. Public Forum**

Opened to public at 4:51 p.m.

John Martinez, Sedona, said the Verde Valley Sinfonietta will have a concert on Sunday, January 15th. He said they are conducting auditions for a new director; he encouraged all to support the VV Sinfonietta and to attend performances at the Sedona Performing Arts Center.

Brought back to Council at 4:53 p.m.

## **7. Proclamations, Recognitions & Awards – None.**

## **8. Regular Business**

### **a. AB 2903 Presentation/discussion regarding the Annual Audit findings and Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the City of Sedona for Fiscal Year 2021-22.**

Presentation by Cherie White, Sandy Cronstrom, and Richard Gillespie of CliftonLarsonAllen LLP.

Questions and comments from Council.

Opened to the public at : p.m.

The following spoke.

Brought back to Council at :p.m.

Questions and Comments from Council.

For discussion and presentation only.

### **b. AB 2908 Presentation/discussion and update from Tread Lightly! Executive Director, Matt Caldwell, on the accomplishments and educational outreach done by Tread Lightly! and the Red Rock OHV Conservation Crew (RROCC) to help mitigate the impacts of OHVs within the greater Sedona area.**

Presentation by Matt Caldwell.

Questions and comments from Council.

Opened to the public at 6:35.

Rob Adams, Sedona, spoke for the Broken Arrow residents. He believes there needs to be more focus from RROCC on mitigation and prevention, not only restoration efforts. He said more needs to be done from manufacturers to mitigate noise, speed, and from the vehicles and implement a GPS tracking device.

Mary Leas, Casner Mountain Estates, spoke in favor of the education and work done by RROCC and its members and volunteers.

Brian Lutz, Sedona, member of RROCC spoke about the efforts and work being done and believes there is a lot of positive progress being made.

Deanna Bindley, Yavapai County, thanked RROCC for fixing the doughnut hole. She urged

all to remain focused and to make prevention a priority.

Becki Ross, Yavapai County, spoke regarding the residents and business owners impacted by the degradation of the roads.

Brought back to Council at 6:51 p.m.

Questions and comments from Council.

For presentation and discussion only.

**Break at 7:06. Reconvened at 7:30 p.m.**

- c. **AB 2909 Presentation/discussion from Sedona Red Rock High School Students regarding their Civic Action Projects.**

This item was cancelled due to student's availability to attend the meeting.

- d. **AB 2898 Discussion/possible action to approve the site selection for the permanent Sedona Loop Disc Golf Course at Posse Grounds Park.**

Presentation by Dawn Norman, Josh Frewin, and Andy Dickey.

Questions and comments from Council.

Opened to the public at 8:07 p.m.

The following spoke in favor of the disc golf course: Shane Byrum, Sedona, Daren Alsup, Cottonwood, and Richard Copeland, Sedona, and Todd Shannon, Village of Oak Creek.

Brought back to Council at 8:18 p.m.

**Motion: Councilor Williamson moved approve the proposed site location for the permanent Sedona Loop Disc Golf Course at Posse Grounds Park. Seconded by Councilor Dunn. Vote: Motion passed with seven (7) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Kinsella, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed).**

- e. **AB 2910 1) Discussion/possible action regarding authorization to purchase three (3) Microtransit Vehicles for an amount not to exceed \$624,546 from Creative Bus Sales through the Arizona State Cooperative Purchasing Contract, and 2) approve an additional \$416,364 for the purchase of two (2) additional Microtransit vehicles partially funded by the FTA 5339 Grant award.**

Presentation by Robert Weber and Cherie White.

Comments and questions from Council.

Opened to the public at 9:19 p.m.

Brought back to Council at 9:23 p.m.

**Motion: Councilor Williamson moved to 1) Authorize the purchase of three (3) Microtransit Vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$624,546 from Creative Bus Sales through the Arizona State Cooperative Purchasing Contract. Seconded by Councilor Dunn. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Kinsella, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed).**

**Motion: Councilor Williamson moved to 2) Approve acceptance and expenditure of the FTA 5339 Grant award of \$202,165 and approve an additional \$214,199 as the city's local share for the purchase of two (2) additional Microtransit vehicles. Seconded by Councilor Dunn. Vote: Motion carried unanimously with seven (7) in favor (Jablow, Ploog,**

Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Kinsella, Williamson) and zero (0) opposed).

- f. **AB 2911 Discussion/possible action regarding the reconsideration of an installation of synthetic K-9 grass as a pilot project in a portion of the Sedona Dog Park.**

Presentation by Councilors Kinsella and Ploog, and Karen Osburn.

Comments and questions from Council.

**Motion: Councilor Kinsella moved to approve the reconsideration of previous action to approve a non-grass surface at the dog park. Seconded by Vice Mayor Ploog. Vote: Motion carried with six (6) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Kinsella) and one (1) opposed. Councilor Williamson opposed.**

Opened to the public at 9:55 p.m.

Jim Gale, Sedona, spoke against a grass option at the dog park.

The following spoke in favor of grass at the dog park and thanked staff for suggesting other considerations and said they do not expect athletic field quality at the park. Sue Shannon, Sedona, and Cindy Forsythe, and Carol Rizzi, Sedona.

Brought back to Council at 10:04 p.m.

**Motion: Councilor Kinsella moved to authorize the opening of Dog Park with a temporary composite surface as we move toward a grass surface with the caveats that; 1) there be a net decrease in city water usage, 2) that Yappy Hour on the ballfield continue until grass is installed at the ballpark, 3) if there are any other surface changes or notable maintenance concerns to consider that those would come back to Council. Seconded by Vice Mayor Ploog. Vote: Motion failed with three (3) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Kinsella) and four (4) opposed (Dunn, Furman, Fultz, Williamson) opposed.**

**Motion: Councilor Kinsella moved to authorize the opening of Dog Park with a temporary composite surface as we move toward a grass surface for the expanded portion, with the caveat that: 1) there be a 20% decrease in city water usage, 2) that Yappy Hour on the ballfield continue until grass is installed at the ballpark , 3) if there are any other surface changes or notable maintenance issues, that those would come back to Council. Seconded by Councilor Furman.**

**Councilor Kinsella amended the motion to include 1) there be a 20% decrease in the City's recreational water use. Councilor Furman accepted the modification as amended.**

**Vote: Motion passed with six (6) in favor (Jablow, Ploog, Dunn, Fultz, Furman, Ploog) and (1) opposed (Williamson).**

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

Mayor and Councilors met with state legislators on Dec 6<sup>th</sup> to address local concerns. Mayor Jablow met with Representative Winn who did not attend the meeting with Council. Vice Mayor Ploog stated there will be multiple bills resubmitted during the legislative sessions. Mayor Jablow attended the Mayor and City Mangers Meeting on Dec 29<sup>th</sup> and he said there is interest in the formation of an Intergovernmental Group Meetings on a regular basis. On January 4<sup>th</sup> the Mayor met with local gallery owners regarding loss of business.

- h. **Discussion regarding ideas for future meeting/agenda items**

Mayor Jablow advised there will be a meeting tomorrow, at 1:00 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott.

**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 Jablow adjourned the meeting at 10:48 p.m. without objection.

I certify that the above are the true and correct actions of the Regular City Council Meeting held on January 10, 2023.

  
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JoAnne Cook, CMC, City Clerk

1/24/2023  
Date