



COUNCIL MINUTES

May 18, 2020

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Special Council Meeting via a virtual format streamed into the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on May 18, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

John Giles*
Mark Freeman*
Jennifer Duff*
Francisco Heredia*
David Luna*
Kevin Thompson*
Jeremy Whittaker*

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady
Dee Ann Mickelsen
Jim Smith

(*Council participated in the meeting through the use of video conference equipment.)

Mayor Giles conducted a roll call.

1. Conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Secondary Property Tax Levy, and take action on the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget.

- 1-a. A public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Secondary Property Tax Levy.

Mayor Giles announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2020-21 Secondary Property Tax Levy.

Councilmember Whittaker expressed his opposition to the budget due to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) recommendation of a 16% reserve balance, the structural imbalance of the budget, and his concerns about the effect that the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) and Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) will have on the budget.

There being no citizens present wishing to speak on this issue, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

- 1-b. A resolution approving the budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021. – Resolution No. 11513

It was moved by Councilmember Luna, seconded by Vice Mayor Freeman, that Resolution No. 11513 be adopted.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Giles-Freeman-Duff-Heredia-Luna-Thompson
NAYS – Whittaker

Mayor Giles declared the motion carried by majority vote and Resolution No. 11513 adopted.

2. Items from citizens present.

There were no items from citizens present.

3. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Special Session adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

JOHN GILES, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Session of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 18th day of May 2020. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK

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