

# COUNCIL MINUTES

December 6, 1999

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Study Session in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on December 6, 1999 at 4:15 p.m.

## COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Brown  
Jim Davidson  
John Giles  
Keno Hawker  
Bill Jaffa  
Dennis Kavanaugh  
Pat Pomeroy

## COUNCIL ABSENT

None

## STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster  
Kevin Adam  
Don Ayers  
Wayne Balmer  
Neal Beets  
Denise Bleyle  
Jamie Brennan  
Mike Brennan  
Mark Coon  
Linda Crocker  
Gil Damiani  
Bob DeLeon  
Jack Friedline  
John Gendron  
Joe Holmwood  
Mike Hutchinson  
Barbara Jones  
Kari Kent  
Ron Krosting  
Dorinda Larsen  
Jeff Martin  
Frank Mizner  
Keith Nath  
Ellen Pence  
David Plumb  
Bryan Raines  
Tom Remes  
Becky Richardson

## STAFF PRESENT (CONT.)

Sharon Seekins  
Jenny Sheppard  
Jan Strauss  
Larry Tally  
Doug Tessendorf  
Lois Underdah  
Bill Way  
Jaime Werner  
Kim West  
Mindy White  
Paul Wilson  
Larry Woolf  
Others

## OTHERS PRESENT

Eric Jackson  
Pat Langdon  
Carol McCormick  
Jason Morris  
Mark Reeb  
C. K. Sato  
Beverly Selvage  
Robbie Sherwood  
Dave Wier  
Marilyn Wennerstrom  
Others

1. Review items on the agenda for the December 6, 1999 Regular Council Meeting.

All of the agenda items were reviewed among the Council and staff with no formal action taken.

2. Hear, discuss and consider the final report of the Citizens Bond Review Committee – 2000.

Citizens Bond Review Committee Chairman C.K. Sato provided the Council with a brief update of the above-agenda item. Chairman Sato also thanked the members of the Committee for their participation during this educational process.

Chairman Sato advised that the Committee recommended unanimously that the Council approve the proposed bond issues for \$415,125,000 and added that each of the presented items was approved with the exception of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Program.

Discussion ensued relative to the proposed exceptions to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Program with regard to the Park of the Canals in which funding was increased from \$1.5 million to \$3 million; the fact that \$4 million was allocated for land acquisition and expansion of the Mesa Southwest Museum; the fact that \$700,000 in funding was deleted for the Hohokam Stadium, and the fact that there was additional funding allocated for the Carson Junior High School swimming pool project and the construction of a new swimming pool at the George N. Smith Junior High School.

Mayor Brown expressed appreciation to Chairman Sato and the Committee for their dedication and effort with regard to this matter.

3. Discuss and consider various items potentially for the March 14, 2000 Primary election ballot.

a. Bonds:

1. Questions 2 through 10

b. Other Items:

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| 1. | Question 1      | Home Rule                                   |
| 2. | Proposition 100 | Fluoridation Prohibited                     |
| 3. | Proposition 101 | Voter Approval of Property Tax              |
| 4. | Proposition 102 | Ethics Ordinance                            |
| 5. | Proposition 200 | Sales Tax on Food Consumed at Home          |
| 6. | Proposition 201 | Sales Tax on Commercial/Residential Rentals |
| 7. | Proposition 300 | Fire (Sprinkler) Code                       |
| 8. | Proposition 400 | Property Maintenance/Housing Code           |

Assistant City Manager Mike Hutchinson stated that it is necessary for the Council to call a Special Bond Election in March 2000 for the voters to consider the above-listed eight questions.

Mayor Brown suggested that a Special Council Meeting be held on Thursday, December 9, 1999 to allow the Council to call the election.

Vice Mayor Giles invited Chairman Sato to attend the Special Council Meeting in an effort to educate the viewing public regarding the manner in which the Citizens Bond Review Committee evaluated what bond issues should be placed on the ballot.

Councilmember Hawker expressed concerns relative to the light rail transit system being incorporated into the proposed bond recommendation and discussed the possibility of acquiring alternative funding with reference to the matter.

Councilmember Hawker questioned the proposed land acquisition for the Mesa Southwest Museum with no funding provision for its construction.

Mr. Hutchinson advised that staff will provide the Council with additional input regarding the bond questions prior to the Special Council Meeting.

Mayor Brown noted that the eight bond questions will be addressed in more detail at the Special Council Meeting.

Mayor Brown thanked staff for their input.

4. Hear a report and discuss providing sewer service to the east side of Power Road between Guadalupe and Ray Road.

City Manager C.K. Luster requested that this agenda item be withdrawn.

5. Appointments to boards and committees.

Mayor Brown recommended the following appointments to Boards and Committees:

HOUSING AND HUMAN SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD:

Eldon L. Husted

Michael T. Graham

It was moved by Councilmember Jaffa, seconded by Councilmember Kavanaugh, that the Council concur with the Mayor's recommendation and the appointment be confirmed.

Carried unanimously.

6. Acknowledge receipt of minutes of various boards and committees.

- a. Adjustment Board meeting held November 2, 1999.
- b. Crime Prevention Advisory Board meeting held November 17, 1999.
- c. Economic Development Advisory Board meeting held October 26, 1999
- d. Housing and Human Services Advisory Board meeting held November 16, 1999.
- e. Parks and Recreation Board meeting held November 10, 1999.
- f. Utility Committee meeting held November 15, 1999.
- g. Transportation Advisory Board meeting held November 16, 1999.
- h. Finance Committee meeting held November 18, 1999.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Giles, seconded by Councilmember Kavanaugh, that receipt of the above-listed minutes be acknowledged.

Carried unanimously.

7. Hear reports on meetings and/or conferences attended.

Councilmembers Hawker, Pomeroy, Davidson and Jaffa reported on their recent attendance at the National League of Cities and Towns Conference in Los Angeles and discussed their visit to the Brea Day Labor Center.

Councilmember Kavanaugh advised that with respect to Internet taxation, the Federal Advisory Commission will be meeting December 14-15, 1999 in San Francisco, California.

8. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

City Manager Charles Luster advised that the meeting schedule is as follows:

Thursday, December 9, 1999, 7:00 a.m. – City Council Special Meeting

Thursday, December 9, 1999, 7:01 a.m. – City Council Executive Session

Thursday, December 9, 1999, 7:30 a.m. – Reconvene City Council Special Meeting

Thursday, December 9, 1999, 7:45 a.m. – Council Study Session

Thursday, December 16, 1999, TBA – Finance Committee (following Study Session)

Thursday, December 23, 1999 – Study Session Cancelled

Thursday, December 30, 1999 – Study Session Cancelled

9. Prescheduled public opinion appearances

Steve Burton, a licensed massage therapist, expressed his concerns regarding the current language contained in the massage therapy ordinance. Mr. Burton encouraged the Council to eliminate trainee licensing, the implementation of written and practical testing procedures and also the establishment of a Board of Examiners to monitor industry standards.

10. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Study Session adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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WAYNE BROWN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Study Session of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 6th day of December 1999. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1999

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BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK

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