

COUNCIL MINUTES

April 2, 2007

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 April 2, 2007 at 5:15 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Keno Hawker
Rex Griswold
Kyle Jones
Tom Rawles
Scott Somers
Claudia Walters
Mike Whalen

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady
Debbie Spinner
Barbara Jones

1. Review items on the agenda for the April 2, 2007 Regular Council meeting.

All of the items on the agenda were reviewed among Council and staff and the following was noted:

Conflicts of interest declared: 5e, f, g, and h (Hawker); 7e (Whalen)

Items deleted from the agenda: 5d

Items removed from the consent agenda: 7a, b, c, d, g and h

2. Appointments to boards and committees.

Mayor Hawker recommended the following appointment to Boards and Committees:

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD

Randolph Carter

Expiration of Term: June 30, 2008

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

Carried unanimously.

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

- Councilmember Somers: Arizona State University Polytechnic Meeting.
Water Safety Day at Mesa Community College.
General Motors Proving Grounds Meeting.
- Vice Mayor Walters: Friends & Families of Road Workers press conference.
Annual Library Volunteers' luncheon.
Child Crisis Center "slab party" to celebrate the new building.
- Councilmember Griswold: Bicycle Race.
Mesa Grande Ruins event.
Arizona State University volunteer project in Mesa.
Fundraising event for Save the Family and the Child Crisis Center.

4. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

City Manager Christopher Brady stated that the meeting schedule is as follows:

Thursday, April 5, 2007, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

Thursday, April 12, 2007, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

Monday, April 16, 2007, TBA – Study Session

Monday, April 16, 2007, 5:45 p.m. – Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, April 19, 2007, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

5. Prescheduled public opinion appearances.

- a. Hear from James Carlson regarding speed humps.

James Carlson, representing the Youth Re:Action Corps, addressed the Council in support of speed humps in the area of the Washington Activity Center. He provided each member of the Council with background material and copies of signed petitions (copies of the materials are available for review in the City Clerk's Office). Mr. Carlson added that his group is willing and able to raise sufficient funds to address the cost of the speed humps.

Assistant Transportation Director Dan Cleavenger reported that past traffic and speed studies conducted in the neighborhood indicated that the volumes and rates of speed were insufficient to qualify the area for the installation of speed humps. He advised that staff discussed other options with the community in the past.

Vice Mayor Walters noted that the data was several years old, and she suggested that new studies could generate different data.

City Attorney Debbie Spinner advised that although the Council could participate in a general discussion of speed humps, the proposed locations for speed humps has not been agendized and therefore proper notice has not been provided to other parties who may be impacted.

Mr. Cleavenger said that he would review with Mr. Carlson the City's current policy regarding speed humps, which requires that the neighborhood pay for conducting speed and traffic counts at a cost of \$105 per location. He added that the City funds the installation of speed humps in qualified locations.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Study Session adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

KENO HAWKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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 2nd day of April 2007. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK

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