

JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD

ACTION MINUTES

December 5, 2007

The Judicial Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on December 5, 2007 at 7:49 a.m.

COMMITTEE PRESENT

Marlon E. Branham, Chairman
David M. Talamante
Scott Rhodes
Murray G. Snow

COMMITTEE ABSENT

Michael B. Cowan
Stella Hunsaker
Linda Rottman

STAFF PRESENT

Kathleen Broman
Michael Claspell
Pat Granillo
Matt Tafoya
Paul Thomas

(Chairman Branham excused Boardmembers Cowan, Hunsaker and Rottman from the entire meeting.)

(Items on the agenda were discussed out of order, but for purposes of clarity will remain as listed on the agenda.)

1. Introduce new Boardmember.

No action was taken by the Board.

2. Elect Chair and Vice Chair.

It was moved by Boardmember Snow, seconded by Boardmember Talamante, that Chairman Branham be reappointed Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board.

Chairman Branham stated that because of his busy work schedule, he would respectfully decline the nomination.

It was moved by Boardmember Snow, seconded by Boardmember Rhodes, that Boardmember Talamante be appointed Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board.

Chairman Branham declared the motion to appoint Boardmember Talamante Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board carried unanimously by those present.

It was moved by Chairman Talamante, seconded by Boardmember Rhodes, that Boardmember Snow be reappointed as Vice Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board.

Chairman Talamante declared the motion to reappoint Boardmember Snow Vice Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board carried unanimously by those present.

3. Approve the minutes from the March 7, 2007 Board meeting.

It was moved by Vice Chairman Snow, seconded by Chairman Talamante, that the minutes of the March 7, 2007 meeting be approved.

Chairman Talamante declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. Hear an update on the Mesa Municipal Court from Presiding City Magistrate Matt Tafoya.

Presentation and discussion only. No action was taken by the Board.

5. Review notebooks and discuss policies, schedule and Work Plan for the Board.

Presentation and discussion only. No action was taken by the Board.

6. Review and consider items related to the reappointment of magistrates:

a. Review reappointment schedule

It was moved by Vice Chairman Snow, seconded by Boardmember Branham, that Mr. Claspell be authorized to complete the various procedures for the above-referenced reappointments (as identified in the Board's Work Plan for the January 2, 2008 meeting), that the January 2, 2008 meeting be cancelled, and that at the February 6, 2008 meeting, the Board be prepared to review the applications for reappointment, assign reference checks and courtroom visits, review survey results, and finalize and assign interview questions for said reappointments.

Chairman Talamante declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

7. Discuss reappointment application.

Chairman Talamante said that it was the concurrence of the Board that the current Reappointment Application be utilized for the upcoming reappointments.

8. Convene an Executive Session.

a. Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of the City. (A.R.S. 38-431.03A(1)).

(The Board did not convene an Executive Session.)

9. Scheduling of meetings and general information:

Chairman Talamante stated that the next meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board would be held on February 6, 2008 at 7:45 a.m. in the Lower Level Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street.

10. Items from citizens present.

There were no items from citizens present.

11. Adjournment.

It was moved by Vice Chairman Snow, seconded by Boardmember Branham, that the meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board be adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Judicial Advisory Board meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 5th day of December 2007. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

LINDA CROCKER, CITY CLERK