

COUNCIL MINUTES

October 18, 2004

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 October 18, 2004 at 4:47 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Keno Hawker
Rex Griswold
Kyle Jones
Tom Rawles
Janie Thom
Claudia Walters

COUNCIL ABSENT

Mike Whalen

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mike Hutchinson
Debbie Spinner
Barbara Jones

Mayor Hawker excused Councilmember Whalen from the entire meeting.

1. Review items on the agenda for the October 18, 2004 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: 4j, 4l, 4m (Hawker); 6b (Walters)

Items added to the consent agenda: 5j, 7a

Items removed from the consent agenda: 3a

2. Acknowledge receipt of minutes of boards and committees.

- a. Ad Hoc Redevelopment Advisory Committee meetings held August 24 and September 14, 2004.
- b. Economic Development Advisory Board meeting held September 14, 2004.
- c. Judicial Advisory Board meetings held May 5 and September 1, 2004.

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

Councilmember Thom noted that the Economic Development Advisory Board minutes referred to discussions of ballot propositions and the Board's plans to send pro and con endorsements to

the press. She questioned the legality of the Board utilizing City resources to influence the outcome of an election.

City Attorney Debbie Spinner stated that following a review of the Board's minutes, she would provide information to Councilmember Thom regarding the legality of the Committee's action.

In response to Councilmember Thom's request that the Council delay approval of the Economic Development Advisory Board's minutes, Mayor Hawker clarified that the Council does not approve or disapprove the minutes, and that the action before the Council is to acknowledge receipt of the minutes.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Hawker-Griswold-Jones-Rawles-Thom-Walters
NAYS - None
ABSENT - Whalen

Mayor Hawker declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

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

Vice Mayor Walters: Welcomed "Flood Alert Group" Meeting to the City of Mesa.
"Meet the Blind" Day event.
Neighborhood meeting.
Celebration of Taiwan Independence event.

Councilmember Griswold: Met with an Eagle Scout working on trails.
Met with a Trail Builder.
Neighborhood Watch meeting.

Councilmember Thom: GAIN (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods) events.
Golden Hills Homeowners' Association meeting.

Councilmember Rawles: St. Timothy's Conference on Social Justice regarding Immigration and Living Wage issues.

Mayor Hawker: Meeting with Mayors of Gilbert, Chandler and Tempe regarding sales tax agreements.
Presidential debate at Gammage Auditorium.

4. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

City Manager Mike Hutchinson stated that the meeting schedule is as follows:

Thursday, October 21, 2004, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

Monday, October 25, 2004, 4:00 p.m. – Police Committee

Thursday, October 28, 2004, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

Thursday, October 28, 2004 – Council Retreat/Planning Session

Monday, November 1, 2004, TBA – Study Session

Monday, November 1, 2004, 5:45 p.m. – Regular Meeting

Thursday, November 4, 2004, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

5. Prescheduled public opinion appearances.

There were no prescheduled public opinion appearances.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Study Session adjourned at 5:23 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 18th day of October 2004. 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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