

# COUNCIL MINUTES

August 25, 1997

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Study Session following the Regular Council Meeting in the upper level of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on August 25, 1997 at 6:26 p.m.

## COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Brown  
Pat Gilbert  
John Giles  
Dennis Kavanaugh  
Joan Payne  
Wayne Pomeroy  
Jim Stapley

## COUNCIL ABSENT

None  
  
POLICE OFFICER  
PRESENT  
  
Bon Gonzalez

## OFFICERS PRESENT

C.K. Luster  
Neal Beets  
Barbara Jones

### 1. Items from citizens present (maximum of three speakers for five minutes per speaker).

Joe Guinn, 126 West 7th Place, spoke in opposition to the continuation of the Mesa Town Center Corporation (MTCC). Mr. Guinn stated that for more than 13 years downtown businesses have contributed in excess of \$3.5 million to MTCC and expressed the opinion that the businesses have not received any benefit.

Mike Falkenberg, 3132 East Fairfield Street, indicated support for flood zones but noted that the Flood Act was established in 1968 to protect river and coastal waters, not the ponding effects of canals. Mr. Falkenberg referred to the Flood Insurance Study and stated that flood profiles are not presented for canals or other areas of shallow flooding. Mr. Falkenberg stated the opinion that the City of Mesa will be recommending the 400' mapping study in contrast to Maricopa County's 275' recommendation. Mr. Falkenberg noted additional concerns regarding a proposed development north of The Groves subdivision relative to landfill and encroachment.

Janet Davis, 3129 East Fountain Street, indicated opposition to the flood zone designation along the Eastern Canal. Ms. Davis informed Council that signatures of 68 homeowners in The Groves development were gathered in support of removing the flood zone designation. Ms. Davis explained that homes along the canal have been built-up and that ponding and flooding have not occurred during the last 12 years.

Mayor Brown thanked the speakers for their input.

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2. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Study Session following the Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

WAYNE BROWN, 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 following the Regular Council Meeting of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 25th day of August 1997. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 1997

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK