

COUNCIL MINUTES

March 4, 1996

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 March 4, 1996 at 5:00 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Willie Wong
Jerry Boyd
Pat Gilbert
T. Farrell Jensen
Dale Johnson
Joan Payne
Jim Stapley

STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster
Wayne Balmer
Neal Beets
Linda Crocker
Jack Friedline
John Geier
Mike Hutchinson
Larry Lines
Rich Lorig
Jeff Martin
Frank Mizner
Ellen Pence
Bryan Raines
Sharon Seekins
Kevin Snow
Mindy White
Ralph Wisz
Others

OTHERS PRESENT

Others

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

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

Mayor Wong advised that there were no reports on meetings and/or conferences attended to report on at this time.

2. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

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

Thursday, March 7, 1996, 4:00 P.M. - Council Policy Session

(Mr. Luster advised that the Friday, March 8, 1996 Council Study Session has been canceled and that items scheduled for discussion at that meeting would be considered at the Thursday, March 7th Policy Session.)

3. Review items on the agenda for the March 4, 1996 Regular Council Meeting.

All of the agenda items were reviewed among the Council and staff, with no formal action taken. There was particular discussion with regard to the following agenda items:

9. Consider the following appeal to a Board of Adjustment decision:

- a. BA96-4 2030 East McDowell Road. Requesting a Special Use Permit to allow the development of a commercial communications tower in an R1-43 district. Laron J. And Salley DeWitt, owners; AT&T Wireless PCS Inc./Susan Bitter-Smith, applicant.

Board of Adjustment Decision: Denied. (Vote 3-2.) THE APPLICANT IS APPEALING THE BOARD'S DECISION.

Mayor Wong advised that speakers who were not provided an opportunity to address their comments at the previous public hearing on this issue will be invited to provide their input at the onset of the hearing. Mayor Wong added that additional speakers will be subject to a three-minute time limit.

10. Consider the following Design Review Board cases and possible adoption of the corresponding ordinances.

- a. DR96-2
- b. DR96-24
- c. DR96-25
- d. DR96-26
- e. DR96-27
- f. DR96-28
- g. DR96-29
- h. DR96-30
- i. DR96-31

Community Development Manager Wayne Balmer provided the Council with background information relative to the above listed cases. Mr. Balmer advised that two conditions for approval have been stipulated by the Design Review Board for cases 10.b. through 10.i.: 1) that the applicant no longer utilize paper or plastic signs or posters in or on the windows of the facility; and 2) that landscaping, screening and signage be brought into conformance with current Zoning Ordinance requirements in so far as is practical, recognizing that there are land constraints and parking constraints that may limit what can be done, that is, if a parking stall needs to be removed to put in a planter in lieu of perimeter landscaping, it is permissible. All details to be reviewed and approved by staff.

City Attorney Neal Beets advised that he has researched the two conditions of approval stipulated by the Design Review Board and expressed the opinion that it would be inappropriate to include stipulation number one since such signage is currently allowed by the City of Mesa. Mr. Beets added that stipulation number two is appropriate since the Code already requires such compliance.

4. Adjournment.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Jensen, seconded by Councilmember Boyd, that the meeting adjourn at 5:11 P.M.

Carried unanimously.

WILLIE WONG, 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 4th day of March, 1996. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 21st day of March 1996

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK