

# COUNCIL MINUTES

December 20, 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 December 20, 1996, at 7:30 a.m.

## COUNCIL PRESENT

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

## STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster  
Wayne Balmer  
Neal Beets  
Linda Crocker  
Tanya Collins  
John Geier  
Glenn Gorke  
Barbara Jones  
Sharon Joyce  
Wayne Korinek  
Ron Krosting  
Karen Kurtz  
Frank Mizner  
Ruth A. Norris  
Ellen Pence  
Bryan Raines  
Debbie Vickman  
Michael Whalen  
Mindy White  
Others

## OTHERS PRESENT

Robert Brinton  
John DeShetler  
Kat Gallant  
Cliff Harris  
Robert Jackson  
Chris Moeser  
Others

## COUNCIL ABSENT

None

### 1. Further discussion and consideration concerning smoking regulations.

The meeting adjourned without objection to a Special Session at 7:31 a.m.

The Study Session reconvened without objection at 7:40 a.m.

### 2. Consider proceeding with a Request for Proposal (RFP) to conduct an impact fee analysis.

Senior Management Assistant Bryan Raines discussed staff's recommendation to proceed with the issuance of a Request for Proposal (RFP) to engage the services of a consultant to analyze Mesa's development fee structure and provide recommendations for Council consideration.

Discussion ensued relative to residential development fees, current per-unit costs, and recent impact fee revisions among surrounding cities.

Mr. Raines informed the Council that staff will emphasize to the consultants the importance of addressing in their report both residential and commercial infill development.

Vice Mayor Gilbert expressed the opinion that the consultant's report will provide the Council with accurate data on which to base their decisions and spoke in support of approving staff's request.

Mayor Brown clarified that Council approval of a request to issue an RFP does not indicate Council's approval of the consultant's recommendations.

In response to questions from Councilmember Payne, Mr. Raines indicated that the final cost of the report has not been determined but stated that staff estimates the cost will be approximately \$60,000.

It was moved by Councilmember Stapley, seconded by Councilmember Pomeroy that staff's request to proceed with the issuance of a Request for Proposal (RFP) to conduct an impact fee analysis be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Brown-Gilbert-Giles-Kavanaugh-Pomeroy-Stapley  
NAYS - Payne

Mayor Brown declared the motion carried by majority vote.

3. Discuss and consider priorities for Community Aid Funding as recommended by the Housing and Human Services Advisory Board.

Human Services Coordinator Karen Kurtz presented documents outlining proposed revisions to the Community Aid Funding Policy.

Ms. Kurtz noted that the most substantive change is within the funding guidelines and advised that the Housing and Human Services Advisory Board has proposed the adoption of a policy regarding neighborhood projects. Ms. Kurtz said that the proposed change is consistent with staff's philosophy and that the City would serve as the facilitator of projects, providing technical assistance, and helping neighborhoods identify resources within their individual communities.

In response to a question from Mayor Brown, Ms. Kurtz explained that the proposed changes to the policy represent recommendations from the Board to the Council and noted that the recommendations are staff driven. Ms. Kurtz informed the Council that the United Way provides a mini-grant to assist neighborhoods.

Vice Mayor Gilbert, noted that staff is requesting Council approval of the guidelines and clarified that the proposed revisions will assist the Board in determining funding recommendations for Council's approval.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Gilbert, seconded by Councilmember Kavanaugh, that the proposed guidelines, recommended by the Housing and Human Services Advisory Board be approved.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES - Gilbert-Giles-Kavanaugh-Pomeroy-Stapley  
NAYS - Brown-Payne

Mayor Brown declared the motion carried by majority vote.

4. Acknowledge receipt of minutes of meetings of various boards and committees.

a. Transportation Committee meeting - December 11, 1996.

It was moved by Councilmember Stapley, seconded by Councilmember Pomeroy, that receipt of the above listed minutes be acknowledged.

Carried unanimously.

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

There were no reports on meetings and/or conferences attended at this time.

6. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

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

Friday, January 3, 1997, 7:30 a.m. - Council Study Session

Monday, January 6, 1997, 5:45 p.m. - Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, January 9, 1997, 4:00 p.m. - Policy Session

Friday, January 10, 1997, 7:30 a.m. - Council Study Session

Friday, January 10, 1997, - Utility Committee Meeting - Immediately following the Council Study Session

Vice Mayor Gilbert noted concern regarding the Red Mountain Freeway alignment and the increasing number of inquiries the Council will be receiving in the future regarding the project. Vice Mayor Gilbert expressed interest in attending an Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) presentation regarding the alignment, and in participating in a guided tour of the alignment from Country Club to Power Road.

Mr. Luster stated that staff is currently attempting to schedule a meeting/briefing with ADOT.

Mayor Brown directed staff to continue efforts to schedule a meeting with ADOT and added that a tour of the alignment may be scheduled at a future time.

Councilmember Giles requested that Zoning Case Z96-64, which involves the development of a new residential subdivision located on the southwest corner of Brown and Greenfield Roads, be placed on the agenda of a future Council meeting for reconsideration.

Mayor Brown stated that Zoning Case Z96-64 will be added to the agenda of a future Council meeting for reconsideration.

7. Prescheduled public opinion appearances (Maximum of three sneakers for five minutes per speaker.)

There were no prescheduled public opinion appearances.

8. Items from citizens present. (Maximum of three speakers for five minutes per speaker).

Kat Gallant, 1620 West University, indicated opposition to the approval of changes to Proposition 200. Ms. Gallant, Chairman of the American Freedom Committee, expressed the Committee's desire to hold a Special Election during 1997 to allow the voters an opportunity to decide the issue.

9. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned without objection at 8:07 a.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 of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 20th day of December, 1996. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 8th day of January 1997

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK