

POLICE COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 7, 1999

The Police Committee of the City of Mesa met in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on October 7, 1999 at 8:02 a.m.

COMMITTEE PRESENT

Pat Pomeroy, Chairman
John Giles

COMMITTEE ABSENT

Bill Jaffa

COUNCIL PRESENT

Keno Hawker

STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster
Jan Amdahl
Linda Crocker
Luigi Digirolamo
Andy Reinhardt
Sharon Seekins
Jan Strauss
Mike Whalen
Others

OTHERS PRESENT

David Udall
H.L. Watkins
Others

Chairman Pomeroy excused Committeemember Jaffa from the meeting.

1. Consider extending the existing contract for accident recovery towing services.

Police Chief Jan Strauss introduced Assistant Police Chief Mike Whalen, who highlighted a brief presentation on this agenda item. Chief Whalen stated that the Mesa Police Department has been working with Cactus Towing ever since Mesa decided to utilize a contract vendor for towing services. Chief Whalen stated that Cactus Towing has consistently met the requirements of the contract. Chief Whalen advised that Cactus Towing has requested a five-year extension of their contract, which expires in February 2000, and added that if approved, fees for accident recovery services will remain unchanged.

Chief Whalen discussed staff's recommendation that Cactus Towing's request for a five-year contract extension be approved.

Discussion ensued relative to efforts expended on behalf of Cactus Towing to address customer service complaints, the development of a brochure outlining the company's rate structure and operations and staff's comments on the high level of service that Cactus Towing provides to the City of Mesa.

Committeemember Giles recommended that staff compile data on towing rates charged by neighboring communities and thanked staff for their input.

Chairman Pomeroy concurred with Committeemember Giles' suggestion and requested that the information be provided to the members of the Committee prior to their recommendation to the Council.

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It was moved by Committeemember Giles, seconded by Chairman Pomeroy, to recommend to the Council that staff's recommendation to award Diversified Towing, Inc., dba Cactus Towing a five-year extension of their existing contract for accident recovery towing services, be approved.

Chairman Pomeroy declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Police Committee adjourned at 8:10 a.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Police Committee Meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 7th day of October, 1999. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this ____ day of _____ 1999

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK