



# COUNCIL MINUTES

December 21, 1998

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 21, 1998 at 4:45 p.m.

## COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Brown  
Jim Davidson  
John Giles  
Keno Hawker  
Bill Jaffa  
Dennis Kavanaugh  
Pat Pomeroy

## COUNCIL ABSENT

None

## STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster  
Kevin Adam  
Chris Albright  
Neal Beets  
Denise Bleyle  
Jaime Brennen  
Steve Burg  
Dennis Compton  
Mark Coon  
Linda Crocker  
Jack Friedline  
Gerry Gerber  
Joe Holmwood  
Mike Hutchinson  
Barbara Jones  
Harry Kent  
Wayne Korinek  
Dorinda Larsen  
Rich Lorig  
Greg Marek  
Jeff Martin  
Tom Mattingly  
Keith Nath  
Ellen Pence

## STAFF PRESENT (CONT'D)

Bryan Raines  
Andrea Rasizer  
Tom Remes  
Becky Richardson  
Kathleen Savagian  
Sharon Seekins  
Jenny Sheppard  
John Smoyer  
Jan Strauss  
Ursula Strephans  
Mindy White  
Others

## OTHERS PRESENT

Charlie Deaton  
Lindy Funkhauser  
Jason Morris  
Dave Nichols  
Don Stapley  
Robbie Sherwood  
Tom Verploegen  
Others

### 1. Review items on the agenda for the December 21, 1998 Regular Council Meeting.

All of the items were reviewed by Council and staff with no formal action taken. There was specific discussion relative to the following agenda items:

- 6.1 Consider a Memorandum of Understanding with Maricopa County, which provides for the construction of a County Justice Court Complex on Redevelopment Site #7 at the northwest corner of 1st Avenue and Pomeroy.

Redevelopment Director Greg Marek introduced Maricopa County Board of Supervisors member Don Stapley and Lindy Funkhauser, Special Assistant to the County Manager to the Council.

Mr. Marek provided the Council with a brief overview of this proposal and stated that a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Mesa and Maricopa County has been prepared that will allow for the construction of a Justice Court Complex on a portion of Redevelopment Site 7. Mr. Marek added that the project, which is being proposed by the County, would include justice of the peace courts, a superior court presence, adult probation, and a motor vehicle division. Mr. Marek indicated that staff supports proceeding with the proposal and urged the Council to approve the Memorandum of Understanding and allow the project to progress.

In response to a question from Councilmember Hawker, City Manager Charles Luster stated that although he did not previously indicate approval of the proposal, he is willing to do so at this time. Mr. Luster clarified that he is endorsing the end use but said that a number of details remain to be addressed.

Discussion ensued relative to the importance of ensuring the best use for the site, acquisition possibilities, the benefits of locating a variety of governmental offices at one location for the convenience of citizens, and the possibility of additional expansions in the future.

7. Consider the following cases from the Planning and Zoning Board and possible adoption of the corresponding ordinances:

- c. Z98-84 South and east of the southeast corner of Lindsay and McKellips Roads.

Community Development Manager Wayne Balmer advised that a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote of the Council is required to approve this case.

- d. Z98-97 The southeast corner of Brown Road and Val Vista Drive.

Mr. Balmer advised that a  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote is no longer required and said that this item may be added to the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Brown advised that this case will be placed on the Consent Agenda for approval.

8. Consider the following subdivision plats:

- a. PARKWOOD RANCH PARCEL 10
  - b. PARKWOOD RANCH PARCEL 11

In response to comments from Mr. Balmer regarding the above listed subdivision plats, City Attorney Neal Beets stated the opinion that these items should be placed on the Consent Agenda for the purpose of a continuance to the second Regular Council Meeting in January.

Mayor Brown advised that these items will be placed on the consent Agenda for a continuance as recommended by Mr. Beets.

2. Consider the appointment of a Public Works Manager.

City Manager Charles Luster advised that the City's current Public Work's Manager, Harry Kent, is retiring at the end of January following 25 years of service to the City. Mr. Luster stated that with the Council's approval, he would like to propose the appointment of Jack Friedline to the position of Public Works Manager effective January 15, 1999.

It was moved by Councilmember Pomeroy, seconded by Councilmember Davidson, that the Council ratify the City Manager's appointment of Jack Friedline to the position of Public Works Manager.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Luster announced his appointment of Jack Friedline to the position of Public Works Manager for the City of Mesa effective January 15, 1999.

Mayor Brown congratulated Mr. Friedline on his appointment and wished him good luck in his new position.

Vice Mayor Giles expressed appreciation to Mr. Kent for his years of dedicated, loyal service to the City.

3. Discuss and consider various issues arising from implementation of Council Districts.

Mayor Brown advised that this item will be discussed at a future Council meeting.

4. Appointments to boards and committees.

Mayor Brown advised that this item will be discussed at a future Council meeting.

5. Acknowledge receipt of minutes of various boards and committees.

- a. Downtown Development Committee meeting held on November 19, 1998.
- b. Parks and Recreation Board meeting held on December 10, 1998.

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

Carried unanimously.

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

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

7. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

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

Tuesday, January 5, 1999, 5:45 p.m. – Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, January 7, 1999, 7:30 a.m. – Council Policy/Study Session

8. Prescheduled public opinion appearances (maximum of three speakers for three minutes per speaker).

Mayor Brown advised that there were no prescheduled public opinion appearances.

9. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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WAYNE BROWN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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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 21st day of December 1998. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1998

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BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK