

JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

May 5, 1999

The Judicial Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on May 5, 1999, at 6:04 p.m.

COMMITTEE PRESENT

Chairman Marilyn Wilson
James R. Hart, II
James Keppel
John Kerr
Judith O'Neill
Joe Shipley

COMMITTEE ABSENT

Cecil Patterson

STAFF PRESENT

Kathy Barrett
Denise Bleyle
Linda Crocker
Sheryl Currell
Barbara Jones
Victor Ortiz
Ellen Pence
Rebecca Standage
Walter Switzer
Others

OTHERS PRESENT

Chairman Wilson excused Committeemember Patterson from the meeting.

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments on Magistrate Victor Ortiz.

Chairman Wilson welcomed everyone present to the meeting and provided a brief overview of the responsibilities of the Judicial Advisory Board. Chairman Wilson advised that following the public hearing, the Board will conduct a public interview of Magistrate Victor Ortiz and, at the completion of the interview session, the Board will adjourn into an Executive Session for deliberations. Chairman Wilson added that following the Executive Session, the Board will reconvene the public hearing and announce their recommendation which will then be forwarded to the City Council. Chairman Wilson noted that the public hearing, interview process and reconvened public hearing will be video taped and reviewed by the City Council.

Chairman Wilson stated that this is the time and place for a public hearing to receive comments on Magistrate Victor Ortiz and encouraged those present in the audience to complete speakers' slips and present their comments to the members of the Board.

There being no speakers present wishing to address the Board at this time, Chairman Wilson declared this portion of the public hearing closed.

2. Interview Magistrate Victor Ortiz.

Magistrate Victor Ortiz responded to a series of questions posed by the Boardmembers and thanked the Boardmembers for the opportunity to interview for reappointment to the position of Magistrate. Magistrate Ortiz stated that he enjoys the challenge of the position and would like to continue to serve the citizens of Mesa in this capacity.

3. Convene into an Executive Session for the purpose of considering a personnel matter.

It was moved by Boardmember Keppel, seconded by Boardmember Shipley, that the meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board adjourn into an Executive Session for the purpose of considering a personnel matter at 6:45 p.m.

Chairman Wilson declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

The Boardmembers discussed Magistrate Victor Ortiz's job qualifications, survey results, personal references and job performance and deliberated on his appointment to the position of Magistrate..

4. Reconvene into a public hearing to make a recommendation on the reappointment of Magistrate Victor Ortiz.

The meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board reconvened at 7:01 p.m.

It was moved by Boardmember Keppel, seconded by Boardmember O'Neill, to recommend to the Council that Victor Ortiz be reappointed to the position of Magistrate for the City of Mesa.

Chairman Wilson declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Chairman Wilson, on behalf of the Board, congratulated Magistrate Ortiz on his reappointment and commended him on his continuing efforts to serve the citizens of Mesa.

Magistrate Otriz thanked the members of the Board for their support.

Chairman Wilson also thanked the members of the audience for their attendance at the meeting.

5. Adjournment.

It was moved by Boardmember O'Neill, seconded by Boardmember Keppel, that the meeting of the Judicial Advisory Board adjourn at 7:03 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Judicial Advisory Board meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 5th day of May 1999. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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Dated this ____ day of _____ 1999

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK