



# COUNCIL MINUTES

April 24, 2014

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Special Council Meeting in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on April 24, 2014 at 7:31 a.m.

## COUNCIL PRESENT

Alex Finter  
Christopher Glover  
Dennis Kavanaugh  
David Luna  
Dave Richins  
Scott Somers

## COUNCIL ABSENT

None

## OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady  
Debbie Spinner  
Dee Ann Mickelsen

(Mayor Finter excused Councilmember Kavanaugh from the beginning of the meeting; he arrived at 7:35 a.m.)

### 1. Take action on the following liquor license application:

#### 1-a. The Care Fund/Apollo Foundation

This is a one-day charitable event to be held on Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., at 10100 East Ray Road. **(District 6)**

It was moved by Councilmember Richins, seconded by Councilmember Somers, that the above-listed liquor license application be forwarded to the State Liquor Licenses and Control Board with a recommendation for approval.

Mayor Finter declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Mayor Finter recognized Eric Bright, Clint Smith, Steve Ikeda and Terry Benelli, all of whom submitted applications to fill the District 2 Councilmember vacancy.

### 2. Convene an Executive Session.

2-a. Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the City Attorney. (A.R.S. §38-431.03A (3)) Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, salaries, discipline, dismissal, or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of the City. (A.R.S. §38-431.03A (1))

1. District 2 Councilmember selection.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Glover, seconded by Councilmember Luna, that the Study Session adjourn at 7:34 a.m. and the Council enter into Executive Session.

Mayor Finter declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Take action on the following appointment:

3-a. Appointment of District 2 Councilmember.

Mayor Finter commented that the City of Mesa is currently in a state of transition due to Mayor Scott Smith's recent resignation in order to run for the Office of Governor. He explained that as a result, he was appointed Mayor, which has created a vacancy in his District 2 Council seat. He stated that on August 26, 2014, the City of Mesa will conduct a Primary Election to elect a new Mayor and Councilmembers in Districts 4, 5 and 6, at which time he will resume his position as District 2 Councilmember.

Mayor Finter remarked that the Council has determined that it would be appropriate to quickly appoint a District 2 Councilmember in order to serve the needs of the residents in that area of the community during this interim period of time. He thanked the four candidates for their interest in serving in this role and noted that it was a difficult decision for the Council to select only one person. He urged the unsuccessful candidates to continue their commitment to the community by serving on one of Mesa's many boards or commissions.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Glover, seconded by Councilmember Luna, that Terry Benelli be appointed to serve as District 2 Councilmember.

Carried unanimously.

Ms. Benelli thanked the Council for their support and stated that she was honored "to be part of the team."

4. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Special Council Meeting adjourned at 7:51 a.m.

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ALEX FINTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK

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