

**RIO SALADO CROSSING MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITIES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of Directors of the Rio Salado Crossing Multi-purpose Facilities District met in a Reconvened August 12, 1998 Board Meeting/Public Hearing in the City of Mesa Lower Level Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, Mesa, Arizona, on August 13, 1998 at 3:17 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT

Marty Whalen, Chairman
Pat Gilbert
Marjorie Heckman
David Johnston
Jim Lykins
Roseann Sweet

COUNCIL PRESENT

Wayne Brown, Mayor
Jim Davidson
John Giles
Keno Hawker

MESA STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster
Neal Beets
Denise Bleyle
Linda Crocker
Mike Hutchinson
Barbara Jones
Ellen Pence
Tom Remes
Becky Richardson
Larry Woolf
Others

OTHERS PRESENT

Mike Bidwill
A. Greenfield
Julie Pace
George Pettit
Scott Rugby
Mike Rushman
Mark Schnepf
Robbie Sherwood
Bill Sims
Others

Chairman Whalen welcomed those present in the audience to the Reconvened Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rio Salado Crossing Multi-purpose Facilities District.

Boardmember Gilbert expressed appreciation to everyone involved in the Rio Salado Crossing project for their extensive efforts and dedication. Boardmember Gilbert advised that Mesa Mayor Wayne Brown has reviewed the status of the project, met with representatives of the Arizona Cardinals, and has recommended that the Board consider the placement of this issue on the ballot of a March 1999 election rather than the originally proposed November ballot. Boardmember Gilbert concurred with Mayor Brown's recommendation and stated the opinion that the proposed delay will provide additional time in which to further study the proposal and clarify/define project financing options.

In response to a request for input from Chairman Whalen, Boardmember Johnston indicated support for the proposed delay and stated the opinion that the originally proposed November election deadline would not allow sufficient time in which to thoroughly analyze the proposal, clarify crucial issues, and identify both long and short-term financing options.

Boardmember Sweet concurred with Boardmember Johnston's remarks.

Boardmember Lykins spoke in support of the Mayor's recommendation and expressed the opinion that the additional time is crucial in order to render a knowledgeable decision relative to the proposal.

Boardmember Heckman concurred with the previous Boardmembers' comments and complimented everyone involved on their efforts.

Chairman Whalen also expressed appreciation to everyone who participated in the project, including Mr. Michael Bidwill and City of Mesa staff.

It was moved by Boardmember Johnston, seconded by Boardmember Lykins, that the Board recommend to the City and Town Councils of Mesa, Gilbert and Queen Creek that the Rio Salado Crossing Multi-purpose Facilities' District proposal not be placed on the ballot of the November 3, 1998 General Election and that all involved parties continue to work together in an effort to define the project/project financing for the purpose of placing the matter on the ballot of a future election. In response to a question from Mayor Brown, Chairman Whalen indicated that an election to be held in the Spring of 1999 would be the target date.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. A. Greenfield, 1744 West Mountain View, addressed the Board relative to the proposed project and stated the opinion that the Rio Salado Crossing site is located within a flood zone and should be further reviewed. Mr. Greenfield expressed concerns relative to negative effects on the area as a result of the proposal and urged the Board to thoroughly consider every aspect of the project prior to proceeding with the development.

Chairman Whalen thanked Mr. Greenfield for his input.

Chairman Whalen reiterated his appreciation to the members of the Board, staff and project participants for their continuing efforts and support.

District Legal Advisor Bill Sims noted that in accordance with the Open Meeting Law, the action that was initiated by the Board at this meeting occurred as part of the emergency exemption portion of the Open Meeting Law and added that the action that has been taken will be posted as part of a Public Notice within twenty-four hours of this meeting.

Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Reconvened August 12, 1998 Board of Directors Meeting/Public Hearing, which was held on the 13th day of August 1998. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of August, 1998

JIM LYKINS, BOARD SECRETARY