

COUNCIL MINUTES

January 21, 1997

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 January 21, 1997, at 5:15 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Wayne Brown
Pat Gilbert
John Giles
Dennis Kavanaugh
Joan Payne
Wayne Pomeroy
Jim Stapley

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

C.K. Luster
Pauline Backer
Wayne Balmer
Cindy Barris
Neal Beets
Fred Conway
Joe Holmwood
Mike Hutchinson
Lars Jarvie
Harry Kent
Ron Krosting
Larry Lines
Rich Lorig
Jeff Martin
Keith Nath
John Oliver

STAFF PRESENT (CONT.)

Ellen Pence
Bryan Raines
Tom Remes
Ross Renner
Becky Richardson
Sharon Seekins
Debbie Vickman
Mindy White
Ralph Wisz
Others

OTHERS PRESENT

Dan Nowicki
Keith Sodaro
Others

1. Acknowledge receipt of minutes of meetings of various boards and committees.

a. Utility Committee meeting - January 10, 1997.

It was moved by Councilmember Stapley, seconded by Councilmember Pomeroy, to acknowledge receipt of the minutes of the January 10, 1997 Utility Committee meeting.

Carried unanimously.

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

There were no reports at this time on meetings and/or conferences attended.

3. Scheduling of meetings and general information.

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

Friday, January 24, 1997, 7:30 a.m. - Study Session

Thursday, January 30, 1997, Noon - East Valley Legislative Luncheon (to be held at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns)

Friday, January 31, 1997, 7:30 a.m. - Study Session

Monday, February 3, 1997, 5:45 p.m. - Regular Council Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 1997, 4:00 p.m. - Policy Session

Mr. Luster advised that the February 7, 1997 Study Session has been canceled.

4. Review items on the agenda for the January 21, 1997 Regular Council Meeting.

All of the agenda items were reviewed among the Council and staff, with no formal action taken. There was particular discussion with regard to the following agenda items:

4. Consider the following contracts:

- e. Traffic signal poles and arms for a special project to construct a new traffic signal at the intersection of Pepper Street and Center and modify the intersection at 1st Street and Center as requested by the Transportation Division.

The Purchasing Division recommends awarding a partial order to the low bidder as follows:

Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 from Ameron Pole Products at \$13,996.00 plus 7.05% sales tax of \$986.71 for a total award of \$14,982.71.

Traffic and Streets Director Ron Krosting noted criteria for the installation of traffic signals and commented that a signal at the intersection of Pepper Street and Center is warranted, particularly given the 120 additional employees anticipated at the Mesa City Plaza building during 1997. Mr. Krosting stated that the proposed signal will be an actuated signal coordinated with the Fire Station located at 1st Street and Center and the stoplight located at Main Street and Center.

Councilmember Kavanaugh stated that his concerns regarding the traffic signal have been satisfactorily addressed. Councilmember Kavanaugh suggested that this item be placed back on the consent agenda.

Mayor Brown stated that Item 4e will be included on the consent agenda.

9. Consider the following cases from the Planning and Zoning Board and possible adoption of the corresponding ordinances:
 - a. **Z96-64** The southwest corner of Brown Road and Greenfield Road. Rezone from AG to R1-15 (17± acres). This involves a proposed 23-lot single-residence subdivision. US Development, owner; Ralph Pew, applicant. **A 3/4 VOTE IS REQUIRED TO APPROVE THIS REQUEST. THIS CASE WAS DENIED AT THE DECEMBER 16, 1996 COUNCIL MEETING. THE APPLICANT HAS ASKED FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE PROJECT.**

Councilmember Pomeroy indicated that he had a potential conflict of interest in connection with the matter now under discussion which he wanted recorded in the minutes of the meeting, and because of such conflict of interest, he would refrain from voting upon or otherwise participating in any manner in connection with same.

In response to a question from Councilmember Stapley, Mr. Balmer advised that the legal protest has not been withdrawn and a 3/4 vote is therefore required.

- c. **Z96-101** The 7100 block of East McKellips Road (north side). Rezone from R1-35 to R-2-PAD (15± acres). This case involves development of a 118-lot patio home project. Gerald & Elaine Petersen Trust, owner; The DeHaven Company, applicant. **A 3/4 VOTE IS REQUIRED TO APPROVE THIS REQUEST. THIS CASE WAS CONTINUED FROM THE DECEMBER 16, 1996 COUNCIL MEETING.**

Mr. Balmer noted the applicant's request for a continuance to the February 18, 1997 Regular Council Meeting.

Mayor Brown stated that this item will be added to the consent agenda for the purpose of continuance.

5. Prescheduled public opinion appearances. (Prescheduled appearances will begin at 5:30 p.m.; there will be a maximum of three speakers for five minutes per speaker).

- a. Hear from Keith Sodaro regarding zoning of land north of McKellips Road and east of Power Road.

Keith Sodaro, 7453 East June Street, spoke regarding Zoning Case Z96-101, a proposed 118-lot patio home project to be located in the 7100 block of East McKellips Road. Mr. Sodaro stated opposition to the development due to a high volume of traffic from Rio Salado Community College, the location of the future Red Mountain Freeway interchange at Power and McKellips Roads, and the possibility of businesses moving farther east rather than into the downtown area.

Mayor Brown thanked Mr. Sodaro for his input.

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6. Adjournment.

It was moved by Councilmember Stapley, seconded by Councilmember Pomeroy, that the Study Session adjourn at 5:26 p.m.

Carried unanimously.

WAYNE BROWN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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 January, 1997. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 6th day of January, 1997

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK