



MESA 2025: FINANCING THE FUTURE CITIZEN COMMITTEE

March 10, 2004

The Mesa 2025: Financing the Future Citizen Committee met in the lower level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on March 10, 2004 at 6:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE PRESENT

Kyle Jones, Chairman
Kirk Adams
Jill Benza
Rosa Cantor
Pat Esparza
Don Grant
Rex Griswold
Greg Holtz*
Dennis Kavanaugh
Mark Killian
Robert McNichols
Scott Rhodes
Patricia Schroeder
Robin White
Aaron Huber

COMMITTEE ABSENT

Eric Jackson

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

Keno Hawker, Mayor

STAFF PRESENT

Mike Hutchinson

- Committeemember Holtz utilized teleconferencing equipment and participated in the entire meeting.
- Chairman Jones excused Committeemember Jackson from the meeting.

1. Follow up on items from last meeting

Chairman Jones requested that Ex-Officio Committeemember Mayor Hawker comment on his gift to the members of the Committee, a leather briefcase. Mayor Hawker said he thought it was appropriate for each of the members to have one to hold the significant amount of paperwork they will be receiving. He thanked them for their time commitment and service to the City.

Chairman Jones noted the large number and extent of requests for additional information from various members of the Committee, including the preparation of a matrix, which outlines what has been done in the past. He said that the most readily available information starts in 1982 and although Staff is working on that, it's going to take some time to get it all in place. He added that the answers to other questions that were posed and requests for additional information have been provided. He noted that there are a number of years where activities were not recorded and said Staff intends to invite some individuals who were around at those times and participated in various decisions, to attend the meeting, provide some information and respond to questions from the Committee. He encouraged the members to write down any questions they would like answered and said that Staff would pursue the information.

2. Review of Mesa's financial documents

Committeemember Griswold asked whether there was any way to determine what a department actually costs and generates such as Judicial for example, what they take in as far as fines and fees, what the program costs and the net cost of the general fund. Budget Director Jamie Warner responded that there is a chart in the Detail Book that Assistant Budget Director Chuck Odom will discuss but added that that although it looks at the revenue sources and does an analysis of the net income on the utilities, it does not contain as much detail as Committeemember Griswold has requested.

a. Budget Plan

Budget Director Jamie Warner provided a brief overview of the Budget Plan and responded to a series of questions from the Committeemembers. (Verbatim of various questions and answers is available in the City Clerk's Office.)

b. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

Controller Kathy Pace provided a brief overview of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and responded to a series of questions from the Committeemembers. (Verbatim of various questions and answers is available in the City Clerk's Office.)

c. Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Capital Improvement Program Administrator Anthony Araza provided a brief overview of the Capital Improvement Plan and responded to a series of questions from the Committeemembers. (Verbatim of various questions and answers is available in the City Clerk's Office.)

3. Review of special items

- a. Quality of Life Program
- b. Mesa's Bond Program

Financial Services Director Bryan Raines highlighted a brief slide presentation and provided the Committee with a brief overview of both the Quality of Life Program and Mesa's Bond Program. Mr. Raines responded to a series of questions from the members regarding both items. Larry Given, the City's Financial Advisor, also responded to questions from the Committee. (Verbatim of various questions and answers is available in the City Clerk's Office.)

4. Regional Growth Patterns

Due to time constraints, this item was continued to a future meeting.

5. Current Issues/Miscellaneous Items

Management Assistant II Denise Bleyle advised that the next meeting would take place on March 24th and would consist of a tour of the Police Department's facilities. She said she was going to distribute a handout from the Police Department, a memo from the Chief, an itinerary and a copy of their annual report. She added that the meeting place has been changed from the Police Department Community Room to outside of the Council Chambers and said they would like to begin the tour at 6:30 p.m. and end by 8:30 p.m.

Chairman Jones thanked everyone for their attendance at the meeting.

6. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Mesa 2025: Financing the Future Citizen Committee adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Mesa 2025: Financing the Future Citizen Committee meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 10th day of March 2004. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

BARBARA JONES, CITY CLERK

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