

Upon notice duly given under Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431, et seq., as amended, the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor D'Amico called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited Pastor David Arnold of City Bible Church to deliver the invocation. Council Member Duvall led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts

Council Absent

Brady

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson

FINANCE DIRECTOR: Rudy Vera

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Pawan Agrawal

HUMAN SERVICES/TRANSIT DIRECTOR: Susan Betts

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Proclamation declaring the month of November 2016 to be "National Hospice and Palliative Care Month" in Bullhead City.

Vice Mayor D'Amico read the proclamation and presented it to Dan Matthews, Executive Director of the Hospice of Havasu, and Mary Johnson and Amy Devine from the Fort Mohave/Bullhead City Hospice location.

2. Proclamation declaring the month of November 2016 to be "National Caregiver Month" in Bullhead City.

Vice Mayor D'Amico read the proclamation and presented it to Bullhead City Human Services/Transit Director Susan Betts.

3. Retirement of Military Banners Presentation by the Tri-State Military Moms, Inc.

Vice Mayor D'Amico and Cindy Frizelle, President of the Tri-State Military Moms presented highway banners and certificates of appreciation to nine retiring military personnel from the Tri-state area.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Vice Mayor D'Amico opened the call to the public.

Jamie Starr said she would not say anything else tonight except that she liked the Vice Mayor's tie.

Beth Richardson, Vice-President of the Tri-State Military Moms, thanked all of the veterans and those presently serving in the military.

Chad Cane said he was a two-year area resident and was employed in the water industry. He provided information on Chromium 6 water testing.

Julie Hassett invited the community to attend the Colorado River Concert Association's performance to be held on November 2nd at Mohave High School.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Vice Mayor D'Amico closed the call to the public.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

WAIVER MOTION

MOTION: Council Member Duvall made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts NAYS: None
ABSENT: Brady

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Veterans' Day Parade

City Manager Cotter informed the public that the Bullhead City Veterans' Day Parade would be held on Saturday, November 5th, at 10:00 a.m. on Miracle Mile Drive.

2. General Election/Voting

City Clerk Stein provided information on the early voting schedule at the Mohave County Public Library, and information on the four polling places that would be open for voting on November 8th, General Election Day.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Bruck stated that open enrollment in Medicare

Council Member Clark stated he

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion that Item Number 1 on the consent agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Duvall seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Bruck, Clark, D’Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts NAYS: None
ABSENT: Brady

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the consent agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on October 18, 2016. (City Clerk Stein)

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

None

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

None

Other Business

2. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2016R-51 approving the City of Bullhead City Drought/Water Shortage Plan dated November 1, 2016. (City Manager Cotter)

Bullhead City Administrative Analyst Janice Paul said this item was tied to the Water Conservation Plan Agenda Item No. 3. She said the city’s contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for an allocation of Colorado River water required that a water conservation plan be prepared and updated every five years. She said the Water Conservation Plan was last updated in 2011 and this update process must be completed by December 31, 2016. She said the Water Resources Advisory Committee heard this item during a public hearing at their October 11, 2016 meeting. She said at that time, staff presented the request and advised the committee they had nothing further to add to the information. She said the plans in 2006 and 2011 were prepared by consultants, and said she updated the plan in-house this year in order to save money.

Council Member Clark stated the Water Resources Advisory Committee had voted unanimously to recommend approval of the resolution.

Vice Mayor D'Amico opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Vice Mayor D'Amico closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016R-51 approving the City of Bullhead City Drought/Water Shortage Plan dated November 1, 2016. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts NAYS: None
ABSENT: Brady

MOTION CARRIED

3. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2016R-52 approving the City of Bullhead City Water Conservation Plan dated November 1, 2016. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter recognized that having Administrative Analyst Paul conduct the plan update in lieu of hiring a consultant saved the city tens of thousands of dollars. He thanked Ms. Paul for her efforts.

Administrative Analyst Paul stated the city's contract required the Water Conservation Plan be updated every five years. She said given the slowdown in growth and the comprehensiveness of the 2011 plan, most of the changes this year included updating the numbers and population projections.

Council Member Clark said Water Resources Advisory Committee had also voted unanimously to recommend approval of this resolution.

Vice Mayor D'Amico opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Vice Mayor D'Amico closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2016R-52 approving the City of Bullhead City Water Conservation Plan dated November 1, 2016. Council Member Duvall seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts NAYS: None
ABSENT: Brady

MOTION CARRIED

4. Presentation and discussion regarding the fundraising initiative to keep the City Municipal Pool open year-round. No Council action is required. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter stated the city budgeted \$30,000 as a grant match with the community to keep the municipal pool open all year. He said the Barracudas Swim Team had raised thousands of dollars towards this effort. He said there had been petitions and letter writing campaigns from

members of the community that have been asking for this for years. He said the city had been working toward this goal for many years. He said no Council action was required on this item.

Special Events Coordinator and Barracudas Swim Coach Ed Catalfamo provided a City Pool Heater/Solar Project presentation on the fundraising initiative to keep the municipal pool open year-round. He said currently the pool was open to the public for 27 weeks and closed for 25 weeks each year, leaving the public without a local place to swim for many months. He said, for many of the aging population, swimming was the only form of exercise they could do, and said swimming was a lifelong sport for all ages. He said there were many educational benefits of competitive swimming. He said multiple high school students on the swim team have been class valedictorians.

Special Events Coordinator Catalfamo discussed the four options considered to heat the pool. He said the first option was to enclose the pool at a cost of more than \$800,000 for the structure alone, not including installation or the mechanisms required to operate and heat/cool the facility, for a total cost of \$2 million. He said this option was ruled out. He said option two was a gas heater which would add ongoing utility expenses estimated to cost an average of \$4,000 per month to heat the pool. He said this option was quickly ruled out. He said option three was to install a solar piping system with a cost of \$82,000. He said this option would only provide an additional four to six weeks of use and was ruled out. He said the last option was to install eight solar electric heat pumps which would be 52 percent more efficient than natural gas and using electricity. He said there would still be ongoing utility costs, but said the installation of rooftop solar panels would offset the increase in electricity costs. He said the total project cost was \$159,318, and said the annual estimated electric savings of \$11,900 would cut the bill in half. He said additional staff expense to keep the facility open would be offset by user fees and reduced electric costs.

Special Events Coordinator Catalfamo said the city secured a grant for \$99,319 from the Legacy Foundation through a partnership with the Barracudas Swim Team. He said the swim team had raised the \$30,000 required to complete the project, and the city contributed \$30,000. He thanked the Western Arizona Medical Center Executive Staff, Mohave High School Booster Club, Mohave High School Varsity Swim Team, Los Matadors, Wal-Mart, Morning Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus, families and individuals for their donations and sponsorships.

Council Member Clark asked if there would be a warming area available during the colder months. Special Events Coordinator Catalfamo said temporary warming areas would be set up for the swimmers.

Vice Mayor D'Amico said he supported the project 100 percent.

Council Member Duvall said he also supported this project, and asked if the utility companies were approached for assistance. Special Events Coordinator Catalfamo said they did, but said the utility companies' project calendars were full for the next few years.

City Manager Cotter stated this project would not have been possible without the assistance of the Legacy Foundation.

Vice Mayor D'Amico asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Eva Corbett stated she was in favor of the pool being open year-round, and said it was a good thing for the community.

Katie Paul said she was the City Pool Manager and thanked all of the sponsors and contributors and Events Coordinator Catalfamo for his efforts.

Vice Mayor D'Amico said he would pay the first month's fees for any senior who could not afford to swim.

No Council action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Duvall, Ring, Shutts NAYS: None
ABSENT: Brady

MOTION CARRIED

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Vice Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 1st day of November 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 15th day of November 2016.


Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk