

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 Special Meeting on January 3, 2017, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Brady called the special meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts (via telephone), Wegmann

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Pawan Agrawal

POLICE CHIEF: Brian Williamson

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

1. Discussion regarding Multiway Stop Sign Recommendation – Ramar Road

City Manager Cotter said whenever a Council Member or resident submitted a request for a traffic control study, the Engineering Department would complete an analysis and then submit the information to the City Council for consideration. He said a signed petition from residents on Ramar Road had triggered several stop sign warrant studies for the possible placement of multi-way stop controls at some intersections on Ramar Road. He said staff wanted to obtain the Council's feedback, as well as input from the community, before completing a letter of recommendation and moving forward with the process.

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Public Works Director Agrawal discussed the removal of unwarranted all-way stop signs on Ramar Road and Palma Road. He said there had been no accidents in the last 12 months, while a speed study showed an 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of just less than 30 mph at a mid-block location between Palma Road and Lincoln Lane. He said they recommended changing to a two-way stop on Palma Road only, removing the stops for Ramar Road. He said there had been some concern because there was no history of the effect of not having the additional stop sign at that location.

Bullhead City Police Officer Dale Osborne said he had been employed by the city for 30 years. He said historically, that intersection experienced many incidents before the second stop sign was installed. He said the intersection had some minor accidents since the second stop sign was installed, but said he anticipated seeing more serious wrecks at that intersection if it were removed. He said he did not recommend removing the four-way stop at that intersection.

Norm Burger said he was a member of Hope United Methodist Church. He said the church was located at the top of the rise on Ramar Road, and said drivers experienced a temporary blind spot immediately before reaching the church parking lot on the top of the rise. He said, in addition, there was a semi-circular driveway with traffic entering and exiting from Ramar Road. He

requested the second stop sign not be removed, as it would create a dangerous situation at the top of the hill.

Jamie Starr said she owned the apartments located at the corner of Ramar Road. She said people driving down the hill screeched to a stop and dumped their cigarette butts and beer cans at the stop sign. She said she had to pick up the litter on a regular basis. She said removal of the sign might decrease the littering problem, but said she did not know if removing the stop would make a large impact on traffic.

The consensus of the Council Members was to maintain the current stop signs at the intersection of Ramar Road and Palma Road.

Public Works Director Agrawal discussed the placement of additional stop signs on Ramar Road at Marina Parkway Drive. He said while there were no accidents in the past year, and traffic speed and volume were below the values that would typically warrant a stop sign, there was a drastic shortage of sight distance for westbound Ramar Road drivers, due mainly to large obstructive plants and the angle at which Ramar Road intersects with Marina Parkway. He said if the plants were removed, it appeared that a large plateau of dirt would still block the view. He said an electrical pole at the high point and neighboring block walls would make removal of the plateau of dirt difficult to remove.

Jamie Starr said she thought there was a sight line minimum requirement that would warrant removal of materials impeding visibility at street corners.

Mayor Brady suggested that staff remove or trim the overgrown plants. Public Works Director Agrawal stated they would remove the plants, but they could not reduce the dirt plateau due to the existing electrical pole.

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The consensus of the Council Members was to maintain the current signage at Ramar Road and Marina Parkway Drive, and trim or remove the overgrown plants.

Public Works Director Agrawal stated no recommendations were being made to the all-way stop at Yale Drive and Ramar Road, mainly due to the severe elevation changes throughout that intersection. He said there were gouges in the pavement despite the stops currently in place. He said they could add cautionary signs such as "Bump" signs to give warning of the sharp rise in the road.

The consensus of the Council Members was to not make any sign changes at Yale Drive and Ramar Road.

Public Works Director Agrawal stated there were no recommendations to place stop signs at Ramar Bay. He said, while the sight distance is short of the minimum and would typically warrant stop signs on Ramar Road, the total volume coming from Ramar Bay is minor enough (9 units per hour) to make additional stop signs impractical.

Bullhead City Police Officer Osborne said he recommended maintaining the four-way stop at Yale Drive and Ramar Road. He said no additional stops on Ramar Road were recommended to be placed at the Ramar Bay intersection.

The consensus of the Council Members was to not make any sign changes to the intersection of Ramar Road and Ramar Bay.

**MOTION:** Council Member Wegmann made a motion to adjourn the special meeting and convene into executive session at 4:59 p.m. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

2. Annual Evaluation of the City Manager pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1).

**MOTION:** Council Member Ring made a motion to adjourn from executive session and the special meeting at 5:12 p.m. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

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

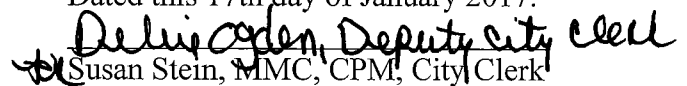
**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Brady declared the special meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct record of the special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bullhead City held on the 3rd day of January 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 17th day of January 2017.  
  
Susan Stein, MMC, CPM, City Clerk

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, January 3, 2017, in the City Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Boulevard, Bullhead City, Arizona.

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and delivered the invocation. Mayor Brady led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Clark, D'Amico, Ring, Shutts (via telephone), Wegmann

Council Absent

None

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**

None

**OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

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Greg Miller expressed his concerns about the condition of the roadway located at the intersection of Bullhead Parkway and Adobe Road, and said the lane lines on Bullhead Parkway were difficult to see at night.

Tammy Dials stated she was concerned about the amount of truck traffic the proposed Dot Foods distribution center would create. She said the trucks were destroying the Parkway, and said it was not being re-paved fast enough. She said she was also concerned about the possible increase in accidents on Highway 68. She asked about the Bullhead Parkway re-paving schedule.

Having no one else present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the call to the public.

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**

None

**WAIVER MOTION**

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor D'Amico made a motion to waive the reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions presented for adoption at this meeting. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

1. Section 12 Public Meetings

City Manager Cotter stated staff would hold two public meetings within the next month to discuss Section 12. He said the Council recently met at a work session to discuss the plan of development for the project. He said the public would have opportunities to provide feedback on the amenities and designs they would like the community to have on the recreational and commercial portions of Section 12.

2. Riverview Drive

City Manager Cotter stated the Riverview Drive reconstruction project would begin in the very near future. He said McCormick Construction was in the process of completing a significant repaving project at the airport, and said they would soon begin working on Riverview Drive from Highway 95 to Rotary Park.

3. Senior Games

City Manager Cotter stated registration for the first Bullhead City Senior Games would be open until January 9<sup>th</sup>. He said anyone of age 50 and over could participate in a number of sports activities and tournaments scheduled to take place at the end of January.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS**

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Council Member Clark stated the Mohave County Airport Authority Air Service Committee would meet at the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce on January 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss American Airlines future air service. He said the public was welcome to attend this meeting.

Mayor Brady stated the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) recently trapped 39 burros in the Laughlin Ranch area and relocated them to Florence for adoption. He thanked the BLM for their assistance.

**ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:**    Council Member Clark made a motion that Item No. 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 Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

Items on the consent agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on December 20, 2016; and the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 20, 2016. (City Clerk Stein)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

2. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the Special Event Liquor License Application submitted by Sandra Port on behalf of Soroptimist International Bullhead City/Laughlin for a fundraising event to be held on Sunday, February 19, 2017, at the Laughlin/Bullhead Vacation Rentals & Sales office located at 1858 Highway 95 in Bullhead City. (City Clerk Stein)

Eva Corbett said this event was held annually to raise funds for the local Soroptimist organization.

Mayor Brady opened the public hearing. Having no one present wishing to speak, Mayor Brady closed the public hearing.

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Building, Planning and Zoning Items**

None

**Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases**

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2017R-01 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Kingman, the City of Bullhead City, and Lake Havasu City regarding the ongoing operations of the Western Arizona Law Enforcement Training Academy (WALETA). (Police Chief Williamson)

Police Chief Williamson stated the cities of Kingman, Bullhead City, and Lake Havasu City had established their own police training academy located in Lake Havasu City. He said the facility had been a great asset to all three communities. He said the proposed agreement formalized the responsibilities of the three cities.

Mayor Brady stated WALETA had been a tremendous service to the local communities, and said he was in full support.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak. No one from the public spoke.

**MOTION: Council Member Wegmann made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017R-01 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Kingman, the City of Bullhead City, and Lake Havasu City regarding the ongoing operations of the Western Arizona Law Enforcement Training Academy (WALETA). Council Member Ring seconded the motion.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Other Business**

None

**COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

**MOTION CARRIED**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 5:47 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 3rd day of January 2017. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 17th day of January 2017.

*Susan Stein, Deputy City Clerk*  
for Susan Stein, MMC, CPM  
City Clerk

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