

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 Tuesday, August 6, 2019, in the Council Chambers, 1255 Marina Blvd., Bullhead City, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brady called the special meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Ring, Shutts, Wegmann (via telephone)

Council Absent

D'Amico, Clark

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS MANAGER: Ryan Farnell

PAVEMENT PRESERVATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS: Dennis Stubblefield and David Witzel

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Presentation and discussion on the City's Street Maintenance Program for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

City Manager Cotter said Dennis Stubblefield, after 32 years of employment with the city, was retiring. He said Dennis was a big part of setting the stage for the city's slurry seal program. He introduced Dennis' replacement, David Witzel. He said there were some inefficiencies with only one slurry truck. He said with two trucks, staff could be fully productive. He said the City of Mesa had six machines and realized more cost saving methods. He said the Council should begin to consider the purchase of an additional truck now in order for it to be ready for incorporation into next year's fall street maintenance program.

David Witzel said the City Street Maintenance Program (CSMP) was an annual pavement management program designed to help preserve the existing roadways in an efficient and economical manner. He said there were four types of treatments: slurry seal, micro surface seal, fog seal, and crack seal. He said the majority of the program included the use of slurry seal.

Mr. Witzel said the first year of the new program was 2016-2017. He said this was a learning year in which city crews and outside contracting crews performed a total of 1,007,540 square yards of resurfacing, or 20.49 percent of city streets. He said the second year of the program was 2017-2018. He said city crews performed 964,758 square yards of slurry seal, 149,321 square yards of fog seal, and 9,482 yards of asphalt repair, for a total of 1,121,464 square yards of resurfacing, or 22.81 percent of city streets.

Mr. Witzel said in 2018-2019, the city performed slurry seal on 1,072,502 square yards or 21.81 percent of city streets, 149,430 square yards of fog seal, and 43,699 square yards of asphalt patching and overlay, for a total of 1,265,631 square yards, or 25.75 percent of public roadways. He

said they were able to accomplish this with one truck. He said they hit their millionth square yard mark last year on the Laughlin Ranch Boulevard Extension project.

Mr. Witzel said they had planned to resurface the Palo Verde Meadows area roads in this year's program, but would need to hold off due to the fact that Southwest Gas would be performing pipeline replacement work that would require cuts on the road.

City Manager Cotter said 69 percent of the city's streets had been resurfaced, fixed, maintained, or repaved within the last three years; and said another 20 percent or more would be maintained in the upcoming season. He said one of the highlights of this program was that staff had the ability to react quickly to fix any road issues that might arise. He said the residents had been great in working with the city in coordinating their neighborhood street maintenance schedules.

Council Member Ring said the improved streets were very noticeable and thanked city staff.

Mayor Brady asked about the speed of street maintenance if another truck was added, and if the amount of work could be increased.

Public Works Operations Manager Farnell said it was difficult to maintain one truck with regular service now, and said a second truck would be able to continue running road work on schedule. He said staff was on overtime now to keep the truck on schedule, and said efficiency would increase with a second truck.

Mayor Brady asked if the city should perform night maintenance work. Operations Manager Farnell said he would like to propose having a dedicated mechanic that would work on both slurry trucks and the street sweeper.

City Manager Cotter said McCormick Construction and Sunland Construction were hired to fix various spots on Bullhead Parkway, and said the city crew performed some slurry work this year. He said they were trying to make the road surface as best as it could be, but said they would need to make a decision with the next year or two as to what needed to be done to repave the entire Parkway.

City Manager Cotter said the highway from Marina Blvd. to Sterling Rd. badly needed repaving. He said they hoped that ADOT would find some money to perform this work; but if not, the city would have to work with ADOT to make sure vehicles were not driving on damaged roads. He said 60,000 cars drove on Highway 95 on July 3rd, and said they did not want anyone having to drive on bad roads.

Mayor Brady said two trucks would increase efficiency, and said he supported the purchase of a second truck.

City Manager Cotter said a new truck would cost approximately \$396,000.

Public Works Operations Manager Farnell said the truck would have basically the same features as the first truck.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to adjourn the special meeting and convene into executive session at 4:08 p.m. Council Member Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

2. Discussion or consultation with the attorney of the public body for legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) concerning valuation of EPCOR's water utility assets, associated potential ballot/election issues and a complaint lodged by EPCOR with the concerning the City's provision of election information under A.R.S. § 9-500.14.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to adjourn from executive session and the special meeting at 4:35 p.m. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brady declared the special meeting adjourned at 4:35 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 6th day of August 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 3rd day of September 2019.



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, August 6, 2019, 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 invited Pastor Rob Lee of Hope United Methodist Church to deliver the invocation. Vice Mayor Wegmann led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

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

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR: Angie Johnson

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR: Glen Wiltse

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

Brenda Fury thanked the city for quickly repairing the air conditioner in her space at the Community Center.

Al Scigliano said the Taxpayers Against City Takeover political action committee had spent \$155,000 so far in order to maintain ownership of the water company. He said people should wake up and see EPCOR was spending a lot of money to keep their "cash cow."

Royanne Ortiz said U. S. Senator Martha McSally would visit Bullhead City on August 7th and hold a public meeting at Mohave Steak House.

Gene Quitmeyer said his wife was a victim of domestic violence and they had been conducting research. He said they formed a committee investigating violations of constitutional rights and justice would be served. He said citizens had to help the city to "root out" the bad "ones."

Christopher Rowe said two dogs supposedly attacked a man. He said a witness called 911 to provide a report, but said the City Magistrate made her change her story. He said the dogs were locked up for 290 days and only walked four times.

City Manager Cotter said they held a court case about the dog attack. He said the dogs were deemed vicious, and said an appeal was ongoing. He said the dogs were being held throughout the appeal process.

Nick Parsons said the city's parks were beautiful and said he was privileged to live in this community. He said the Southwest Behavioral methadone program should be age restricted. He said people under 18 were given methadone and said they should not have to see young adults addicted to drugs. He said the opioid epidemic was getting worse and had to be stopped.

Donna Quitmeyer said in 1991, her child was killed by a stray bullet in Bullhead City and she was also struck. She said the police department and the hospital services were much better then than what was available today. She said she was a victim of domestic violence. She said she was not protected through Bullhead City's police and victims' services department.

Scotty McClure said the representative from Chandler should not be interfering in Bullhead City's business related to the water acquisition. He said the city's animal shelter did not receive any assistance from Mohave County, and said the City of Kingman should not be receiving \$3 million from the county for a new animal shelter. He said the school on Marina Blvd. area needed paving and a turning lane.

Peter Lawson said the court system and the police department were corrupt. He said the courts set people up for failure with strict fines and anger management classes, and said they did not care about his rights.

Eva Corbett said the H2O Committee encouraged everyone to vote "yes" on Proposition 415 and reminded citizens to turn their arguments into the City Clerk.

Dennis Moebs said the city's water came from a well and was probably purified, but it was not soft water. He suggested they look into installing a soft water system for the city.

Rhonda Johnson said her two dogs have been locked in a cage after the court case for a long time. She said the victim's and witness's testimonies were different from the police report. She discussed the court case. She said her dogs were not vicious and did not maul the victim.

Linda Dunbar said she did not believe the dogs attacked the man. She said Rhonda Johnson only had her two dogs left in her life, and said she would move out of town with the dogs. She said there was no proof that the dogs were vicious.

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

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

Mayor Brady requested that Consent Agenda Items No. 1 and 3 be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

WAIVER MOTION

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

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

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Next City Council Meeting moved to August 19th at 9 a.m. from August 20th at 5:30 p.m.

City Manager Cotter said the next Council meeting date was moved in order for Council Members to attend the Annual League of Arizona Cities and Towns Conference in Tucson that week.

2. City Incorporation Anniversary, August 28th

City Manager Cotter said the city would be commemorating the 35th anniversary of incorporation and promoting the activities through social media and the newspaper.

3. Proposition 415 – Publicity Pamphlet Deadline, August 7th at 5 p.m.

City Manager Cotter said the deadline for submitting publicity pamphlet arguments was August 7th at 5:00 p.m. He said the city waived the fee for arguments.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

None

ITEMS WITHDRAWN FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda Items No. 1 and 3 were withdrawn from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion that Item No. 2 on the Consent Agenda be approved in accordance with the reports, certifications and recommendations furnished each Council Member and without further discussion. Council Member Bruck 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:

2. Approval of the current expenditure of \$105,712.41 and all future expenditures related to tax administration and collection while the city is under the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Revenue for the administration and collection of the city's transaction privilege tax. (Finance Director Vera)

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discussion and possible action to approve the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on July 9, 2019; the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 16, 2019; and the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on July 19, 2019. (City Clerk Stein)

Mayor Brady said a citizen requested the minutes be pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion. He asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Scotty McClure said the school district did not require notarization on his argument relating to the Field House bond election. He asked if the city could also waive the notarization requirement.

Mayor Brady asked Mr. McClure if he had a comment on the minutes, and asked if the minutes required any corrections. Mr. McClure said the minutes did not require any corrections.

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on July 9, 2019; the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on July 16, 2019; and the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on July 19, 2019. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-12 approving a zoning map change from R2MF (Residential Multiple-Family District) to R1L (Residential Single-Family Limited District) for a .12 acre parcel of land located at 406 Whitewater Drive that is described as Harbor View Tract No. 1067, Lot 52, Section 24, T20N, R23W, Bullhead City, Arizona. (Development Services Director Wiltse)

Planning Manager Loera said the code specified that maximum lot coverage for the R2MF district was 50 percent. He said the proposed home covered 53.5 percent on the lot. He said the zoning map change would increase the maximum lot coverage to 60 percent and the proposed home would meet that requirement.

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

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-12 approving a zoning map change from R2MF (Residential Multiple-Family District) to R1L (Residential Single-Family Limited District) for a .12 acre parcel of land located at 406 Whitewater Drive that is described as Harbor View Tract No. 1067, Lot 52, Section 24, T20N, R23W, Bullhead City, Arizona. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

4. Discussion and possible action to appoint a citizen to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission to fill a partial term beginning immediately upon Council approval and expiring on June 30, 2020. (City Clerk Stein)

City Clerk Stein said Mike Huseman, one of the two applicants, requested that his application be withdrawn.

Craig Cox expressed his interest in serving on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to appoint Craig Cox to serve on the Parks and Recreation Commission to fill a partial term beginning immediately upon Council approval and expiring on June 30, 2020. Council Member Bruck seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

5. Discussion and possible action to appoint a Council Member to serve as a Committee Representative on the city's Real Estate Owned (REO) Committee. (City Clerk Stein)

City Manager Cotter said Council Members Shutts and Ring currently served on this committee, and said a third Council Member position was required. Council Member Bruck said she would like to serve on the committee.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to appoint Council Member Bruck to serve as a Committee Representative on the city's Real Estate Owned (REO) Committee. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

6. **PUBLIC HEARING.** Discussion and possible action to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for Interim Permit No. 68169 and new Series 10 Liquor License No. 68168 submitted by Jose Alvaro Sanchez Maldonado for the Best Buy Market Carnicerias located at 970 Hancock Road in Bullhead City. (City Clerk Stein)

City Manager Cotter said staff had processed the application and had no objections.

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

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for Interim Permit No. 68169 and new Series 10 Liquor License No. 68168 submitted by Jose Alvaro Sanchez Maldonado for the Best Buy Market Carnicerias located at 970 Hancock Road in Bullhead City. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

7. Discussion and possible action to approve: 1) the Final Plat for Laredo Canyon Trails at Fox Creek, Tract 5192, Unit 1; 2) the Financial Assurance through the Property Escrow Agreement; 3) the Water Allocation in the amount of 6.72 acre-feet; and 4) authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the city. (Development Services Director Wiltse)

Planning Manager Loera said the 5.8 acre site would be subdivided into 20 lots for single family residential development and two parcels would be reserved for public utility, drainage and landscape easements. He said all streets and easements were dedicated to the public for use as such.

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

MOTION: Council Member Clark made a motion to approve: 1) the Final Plat for Laredo Canyon Trails at Fox Creek, Tract 5192, Unit 1; 2) the Financial Assurance through the Property Escrow Agreement; 3) the Water Allocation in the amount of 6.72 acre-feet; and 4) authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the city. Council Member Shutts seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

8. Discussion and possible action to approve the contract with Earth Resources Group of Las Vegas, Nevada, for construction and installation of two underground fuel storage tanks at the city's fuel facility in an amount not to exceed \$422,020.00; authorize the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents and approve resultant payments; and approve submittal of the grant. (Interim Public Works Director Johnson)

Interim Public Works Director Johnson said two bids were received for the project and the low bidder was Earth Resources Group of Las Vegas.

Mayor Brady asked if the tank was leaking and if there was any environmental damage.

Public Works Operations Manager Farnell said their leak detection equipment had notified them there was a leak a few months ago. He said fuel was leaking into the inner space between the two walls of the tank and said the tank was emptied. He said there was no leakage outside of the tank. He said the two existing tanks would be removed and replaced at the same time.

City Manager Cotter said they were working with the state and would receive a significant grant reimbursement of more than \$300,000.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Gene Quitmeyer asked if they considered installing above ground fuel storage tanks.

City Manager Cotter said they analyzed other options, and said their consultants and engineers recommended underground storage.

MOTION: Council Member Shutts made a motion to approve the contract with Earth Resources Group of Las Vegas, Nevada, for construction and installation of two underground fuel storage tanks at the city's fuel facility in an amount not to exceed \$422,020.00; authorize the City Manager to execute all appropriate documents and approve resultant payments; and approve submittal of the grant. Council Member Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

9. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2019R-30 approving the Cost Recovery Agreement for the Black Mountain Range and Bullhead City Land Exchange and various associated actions. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said the resolution would authorize a cost recovery agreement with the United States associated with the exchange of Don Laughlin's donated land in the Black Mountain Range for city parks lands in Section 12. He said this agreement included the studies, appraisals, and other expenses to finalize the exchange. He said the requested cost recovery funding would pay all estimated costs required to complete this phase of the land exchange.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Barbara Pape said she was pleased to see this exchange happen after such a long process.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Wegmann made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2019R-30 approving the Cost Recovery Agreement for the Black Mountain Range and Bullhead City Land Exchange and various associated actions. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

10. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019R-31 supporting a formal request to the U. S. Department of Defense for the ability to accept a decommissioned military item to be displayed at the Veterans' Memorial Park in Bullhead City. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said this was the first step in working with the U. S. Department of Defense and Congressman Gosar's staff in an effort to obtain an item that would be beneficial to the overall continued effort to beautify the riverfront park near Veterans' Memorial Park and the Arizona Veterans' Memorial.

Mayor Brady said he had searched high and low as to how to obtain a piece of military equipment and found assistance from Congressman Gosar's office. He said this resolution would start the process.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Eva Corbett said she was in support of this process.

Barbara Pape said she would like to see some World War II equipment.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019R-31 supporting a formal request to the U. S. Department of Defense for the ability to accept a decommissioned military item to be displayed at the Veterans' Memorial Park in Bullhead City. Council Member D'Amico seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

11. Discussion and possible action to approve allocating \$65,000 to the Mohave County Airport Authority for utilization as a revenue guarantee for airline service connecting Bullhead City to LAX via American Airlines; and approving a budget amendment of \$65,000 to come from the city's designated contingency account. (City Manager Cotter)

City Manager Cotter said the city had a strong partnership with the Airport Authority and the airport in general. He said the city received some revenue from charters and jet fuel tax, rental cars; and said air service was essential for economic development and tourism.

City Manager Cotter said the Mohave County Airport Authority had attracted a regional airline carrier that was willing to provide daily service to Los Angeles LAX. He said the commuter aircraft was proposed to run daily between Laughlin Bullhead International Airport and LAX with a connection via American Airlines. He said a financial pledge was required from the city to provide part of the revenue guarantee in the amount of \$150,000. He said the City of Bullhead City would provide \$65,000, the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce would provide \$10,000, and the Laughlin Chamber of Commerce and the Laughlin resorts would provide \$75,000 as part of this partnership. He said in-kind support would also be pledged; such as website banners, marketing at events, billboard advertisements, and many other opportunities to help market the service to residents and visitors. He said this included a small 9-seat plane that would fly back and forth from LAX for 15 roundtrip flights per week with daily service. He said the service would be timed to make connections to the American network at LAX on a daily basis.

Jeremy Keating of the Mohave County Airport Authority said the service was with a regional carrier, not American Airlines. He said there would be flights from one to three times per day, and the estimated ticket cost was approximately \$100 to \$150 each way. He said they were asking for a small dollar amount to mitigate the risk to begin negotiations for the new service. He said there was

a possibility that the revenue guarantee would not be required. He said there was a great demand for LAX.

Mayor Brady said this was a step forward in the right direction that might lead to bigger and better things in the future.

John Hassett said he represented the Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce. He read a statement from the Chamber's CEO John Pynakker in support of the proposal on behalf of the membership.

Mayor Brady asked if anyone from the public wanted to speak.

Scotty McClure said nine passengers per flight seemed too small to make any money. He said the casinos made the most money from the air service.

Royanne Ortiz asked about the length of time for the revenue guarantee, and asked about the process.

Dennis Moebs said he did not see the advantage of having air service in Bullhead City to LAX as he would rather go to the Las Vegas airport. He said he did not see spending that kind of money.

Barbara Pape said in 2004 and 2005 there was air service from Bullhead City to LAX and Orange County from Bullhead City, which was a benefit at that time. She said the proposed new air service would definitely be beneficial to the community.

Council Member Ring asked what happened to the money, and asked if the members of the Airport Authority handled the funds.

Jeremy Keating said the money would go into a separate fund, and said the Airport Authority managed the fund.

Council Member Ring asked for the names of the members of the Airport Authority, and asked if the board needed some new blood. She said she hoped they considered new direction, and said she was in support of the service.

Jeremy Keating named the members. He said they were doing some fantastic things, and said the Airport Authority Board controlled his employment.

Council Member D'Amico asked about the estimated seat prices.

Jeremy Keating said the airlines did not commit to specific seat prices. He said they would waive landing fees, terminal rent, parking fees, essentially everything they could do to make this successful. He said they were not doing this to make money; they were doing it for the community.

Council Member D'Amico said he would be in support, but would have liked more back up information.

Vice Mayor Wegmann asked when the service would start, and asked what person or persons would be in charge of the funds.

Jeremy Keating said service would most likely begin in November, December, or January; and said he would be the person in charge of managing the funds.

Discussion ensued regarding the length of time the revenue guarantee funds would be held under this commitment.

City Manager Cotter said the city had a representative serving on the Airport Authority Board. He said they did not want to lock themselves into a definite length of time. He said they could look at this allocation as a type of “grant” to the Airport Authority.

Council Member Clark said most people were not that familiar with the airport. He said the airport was the third busiest airport in the state. He said there were a number of issues with the previous larger airline service, and said at that time they had no say in what the schedule would be. He said there was quite a bit of ridership at that time, and this new carrier saw that a profit could be made. He said he believed this service would be very successful.

Council Member D’Amico said he would agree with this on the “cautious side,” and said he would like to have a little more control with the city’s money after a certain period of time, such as six months or one year.

Council Member Clark said it took some time to build up the service, and said he would like to give this more time and suggested a minimum of two years.

MOTION: Council Member Ring made a motion to approve allocating \$65,000 to the Mohave County Airport Authority for utilization as a revenue guarantee for airline service connecting Bullhead City to LAX via American Airlines; and approving a budget amendment of \$65,000 to come from the city’s designated contingency account; including a commitment that the Airport Authority refund any remaining revenue guarantee funds to the guarantors after a period of two years. Vice Mayor Wegmann seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

12. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution No. 2019R-32 which: 1) approves the Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG) Area Agency on Aging contract for senior meals and caregiver outreach funding for fiscal year 2019-2020; 2) authorizes the continued acceptance of future grants from WACOG in similar amounts for the remaining grant period through June 2024; and 3) directs the City Manager to execute the current and future agreements and any related documents as may be required by WACOG to finalize grant funding transactions within the remaining grant period. (Human Services Director Tipton)

Human Services Director Tipton said the city had applied for and received funding from WACOG in support of the senior meals and demand response programs. He said WACOG had tentatively authorized funding through June 2024 that would require annual budget updates during the city’s budget process. He said contracts would be for a period of July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, and

may be renewable for each subsequent year throughout a five-year cycle. He said the contract would reimburse the city for up to 52,675 meals to support the senior meals program. He said the contract would also reimburse the city up to 2,249 rides through the demand response program in support of the Bullhead Area Transit System and senior transportation programs. He said the proposed contract amount for fiscal year 2020 was \$405,474.

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

MOTION: Council Member Bruck made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019R-32 which: 1) approves the Western Arizona Council of Governments (WACOG) Area Agency on Aging contract for senior meals and caregiver outreach funding for fiscal year 2019-2020; 2) authorizes the continued acceptance of future grants from WACOG in similar amounts for the remaining grant period through June 2024; and 3) directs the City Manager to execute the current and future agreements and any related documents as may be required by WACOG to finalize grant funding transactions within the remaining grant period. Council Member Ring seconded the motion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL REQUESTED ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 7:22 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 6th day of August 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 3rd day of September 2019.


Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk