

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, April 20, 2021, 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 Spiritual Leader Maryann Shepherd to deliver the invocation. Council Member Zehri led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Council Present

Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, Zehri

Council Absent

None

Staff Present:

CITY MANAGER: Toby Cotter

CITY ATTORNEY: Garnet Emery

CITY CLERK: Susan Stein

POLICE CHIEF: Robert Trebes

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR: Jeff Tipton

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Brady opened the call to the public.

Eva Corbett invited the public to attend the Colorado River Republican Women's luncheon to be held on April 21st at the Chaparral Country Club.

Eric from "Pro-Fit Kitchin" informed the community about his new restaurant located on Miracle Mile that focused on a healthy lifestyle with meal prep solutions. He said their grand opening would be held on May 20th.

Sue Demarco from Saving Animals In Need Together (S.A.I.N.T.) invited the public to attend their Cinco de Mayo fundraiser event to be held on May 5th at Automobile Consulting Services. She said they were in desperate need of foster homes for the animals.

Billy Pershing said the Bullhead City Conservatives, formerly the Tea Party Patriots, would meet on May 15th at the public library.

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 Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, Zehri NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. COVID-19

City Manager Cotter said vaccinations were available to anyone over the age of 16 years, and said a large vaccination event would be held in Laughlin on May 1st. He said the city still encouraged the wearing of masks and promoted testing for those that were sick.

2. COVID-19 Related Public Assistance Programs

City Manager Cotter said the Federal government created numerous programs to help those who were having problems with paying for rent and internet connectivity. He said help would be available at City Hall, Mohave Electric, and the River Fund to provide assistance to those in need.

3. EPCOR Condemnation and ACC Rate Case

City Manager Cotter said they were currently actively engaged in the Superior Court condemnation case. He said the city would take possession when the bond was posted. He said the EPCOR rate case testimony concluded and would be forwarded to the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) for their consideration. He said they would keep the Council updated.

4. Police Body Cameras

Police Chief Trebes provided a video presentation on the new police body camera system. He said training was completed last week and the system was fully deployed. He said the system helped to better serve the public.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

None

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. Vice Mayor D'Amico seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, Zehri NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved as follows:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on April 6, 2021. (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 application for a new Series 6 Liquor License Job No. 142848 submitted by Lanora Irene Ochs for the Laughlin Ranch Golf Club located at 1360 William Hardy Drive in Bullhead City. (City Clerk Stein)

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

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

MOTION: Council Member Wegmann made a motion to make a recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to approve the application for a new Series 6 Liquor License Job No. 142848 submitted by Lanora Irene Ochs for the Laughlin Ranch Golf Club located at 1360 William Hardy Drive in Bullhead City. Council Member Clark seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, Zehri NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

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ACTION ITEMS

Building, Planning and Zoning Items

None

Bid Awards, Contracts, Intergovernmental Agreement, and Purchases

3. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution No. 2021R-18 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement entitled “State Plan of Operation between the State of Arizona and the Bullhead City Police Department” (Version-April 2021). (Police Chief Trebes)

Police Chief Trebes said the agreement with the State of Arizona was in connection with the Defense Logistics Agency to receive excess equipment from the Department of Defense for law enforcement purposes. He said equipment would be received at no cost to the city, and said no particular acquisition was planned at this time. He said receipt of individual pieces of equipment would take place as opportunities arose for efficiency in law enforcement missions and requirements. He said the city received a bomb robot several years ago through the program which would have been a large expense for the city.

Council Member Zehri asked about the last time the agreement was brought to the Council for consideration.

City Attorney Emery said this was similar to a cooperative purchasing agreement and said this agreement simply contained updated language that required renewal. He said the agreement did not have to be updated every year, and the prior version of the agreement had been approved a few years ago.

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 adopt Resolution No. 2021R-18 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement entitled “State Plan of Operation between the State of Arizona and the Bullhead City Police Department” (Version-April 2021). Vice Mayor D’Amico seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D’Amico, Wegmann, Zehri NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business

4. Discussion and possible action to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2021R-19 authorizing submission of a Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Application to fund a portion of the capital expenses for the Bullhead Area Transit System for the period starting October 1, 2021; and 2) authorize the City Manager or his duly authorized designee to execute the application, agreement, certifications, amendments, payments, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the intent of any resultant grant award. (Human Services Director Tipton)

Human Services Director Tipton said adoption of the resolution would authorize submission of a grant application necessary to fund a portion of the capital expenses for the Bullhead Area Transit System for the federal fiscal year beginning October 2021. He said the 5339 program reimbursed transit agencies for a portion of expenses using a variety of match ratios for capital costs. He said the grant would reimburse the city for at least 80 percent of eligible expenses. He said the local match was the same as the 5311 grant's local match comprised of sponsorships, advertising revenue, in-kind contributions, and general fund subsidy. He said the Arizona Department of Transportation administered the FTA 5339 program and distributed funds through a competitive grant process. He said awards were expected to be made by September 2021. He said the city would hold a public hearing at the upcoming BATS commission meeting to be held on May 3rd. He said the 5339 grant projects would include the new transit facility, engineering and design capital, and the Intelligent Transit System (ITS) replacement. He said the projects were included in the city's upcoming budget.

City Manager Cotter said a new transit facility was badly needed and said they were seeking an opportunity for a grant. He said projects had to be "shovel ready" in order to receive funding through federal programs.

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: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2021R-19 authorizing submission of a Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Grant Application to fund a portion of the capital expenses for the Bullhead Area Transit System for the period starting October 1, 2021; and 2) authorize the City Manager or his duly authorized designee to execute the application, agreement, certifications, amendments, payments, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the intent of any resultant grant award. Council Member Wegmann seconded the motion.

VOTE: AYES: Brady, Bruck, Brummett, Clark, D'Amico, Wegmann, Zehri 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 6:10 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 20th day of April 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 4th day of May 2021.



Susan Stein, MMC, CPM
City Clerk