

Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Regular Meeting

February 11, 2025 | 5 p.m.

Council Chambers Conference Room
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Commission Members

Chair Shane Levinson
Vice Chair Michael Simon
Commissioner Robert Dalpe
Commissioner Jacob Dort
Commissioner Carol Farabee
Commissioner LaShay Marks

Pursuant to Resolution No. 4464 of the City of Chandler and to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Military and Veterans Affairs Commission and to the general public that the Military and Veterans Affairs Commission will hold a REGULAR MEETING open to the public on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., at City Council Chambers Conference Room, 88 E. Chicago Street, Chandler, AZ. One or more Commissioners may be attending by telephone.

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Military and Veterans Affairs Commission

Regular Meeting Agenda - February 11, 2025

Call to Order/Roll Call

Unscheduled Public Appearances

Members of the audience may address any item not on the agenda. State Statute prohibits the Board or Commission from discussing an item that is not on the agenda, but the Board or Commission does listen to your concerns and has staff follow up on any questions you raise.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda may be enacted by one motion and one vote. If a discussion is required by members of the Board or Commission, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion and determination will be made if the item will be considered separately.

1. **January Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes**
Move Military and Veterans Affairs Commission approve the meeting minutes of the January 14, 2025 regular meeting.

Discussion

2. Discuss updates regarding the Freedom, Hope, Future Vietnam event, to be held April 26, 2025
3. Discussion and possible action regarding challenge coin design for the Freedom, Hope, Future Vietnam event
4. Discussion and possible action regarding event planning and assignments
5. Discussion and possible action regarding annual report to City Council
6. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2025 Military and Veterans Affairs Commission planning retreat date
7. Discussion and possible action regarding details to be included on the Veterans Oasis memorial
8. Discuss updates regarding external events

Member Comments/Announcements

Calendar

9. The next Military and Veterans Affairs Commission meeting will be held March 11, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Conference Room, 88 E. Chicago St.

Information Items

10. Treasury Report - Luke Tasker, Commission Secretary
11. Due to a scheduling conflict, the November 4, 2025 meeting has been moved to Room 101 at the Chandler Community Center, 125 E Commonwealth Ave, at 5 p.m.

Adjourn



Military and Veterans Affairs Community Services Memo No.

Date: 02/11/2025
To: Military and Veterans Affairs Commission
From: Luke Tasker, Management Assistant
Subject: **January Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes**

Proposed Motion:

Move Military and Veterans Affairs Commission approve the meeting minutes of the January 14, 2025 regular meeting.

Attachments

01.14.2024 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Farabee at 5:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Commission Attendance

Chair Carol Farabee
Vice Chair Michael Simon
Commissioner Robert Dalpe
Commissioner Jacob Dort
Commissioner Shane Levinson

Staff Attendance

Corey Povar, Staff Liaison
Tawn Kao, Deputy City Attorney
Luke Tasker, Recording Secretary
John Sefton, Community Services Director

Absent

Commissioner LaShay Marks (unexcused)

Consent Agenda

1. November 2024 Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes Move Military and Veterans Affairs Commission approve the meeting minutes of the November 12 regular meeting.
2. December 2024 Military and Veterans Affairs Commission Meeting Minutes Move Military and Veterans Affairs Commission approve the meeting minutes of the December 10 work session.

Comm. Levinson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Comm. Dort. Motion carried 5-0.

Action Agenda

3. Election of Chair for the Military and Veterans Affairs Commission

Comm. Dalpe nominated Vice Chair Simon; Comm. Dort nominated Comm. Levinson. Comm. Levinson was elected 3-2.

4. Election of Vice Chair for the Military and Veterans Affairs Commission

Comm. Dalpe nominated Vice Chair Simon for a second term. Vice Chair Simon was elected 5-0.

Discussion

5. Discussion regarding debrief of Military and Veterans Affairs Commission retreat

The Commission discussed the topics covered at the planning retreat, with a consensus that the annual WES memo to Council should be prepared by the April meeting.

6. Discuss event planning and assignments

Chair Levinson provided an update on the initial steps taken for the Military Bound event.

7. Discuss updates regarding the South Vietnamese cultural event, to be held April 26, 2025

Comm. Farabee and Mr. Povar provided an update on the most recent planning meeting. There was discussion regarding the event challenge coins; staff will coordinate with the Marketing team to prepare samples. Additionally, staff will reach out to Chuck Byers to confirm his availability as the speaker for the segment honoring Vietnam veterans.

8. Discuss updates regarding external events

Comm. Dalpe advised that the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame was now accepting nominations.

9. Discussion and possible action regarding tabletop sign for events

Comm. Dalpe moved to approve the sample sign; seconded by Comm. Dort. Motion carried 5-0.

Briefing

10. Commission vacancy update - Corey Povar, Staff Liaison

Mr. Povar advised that recommendations had been passed to the City Clerk's office regarding filling the vacant seat on the Commission, although the Mayor's selection would not be approved by Council until March.

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Information Items

12. Treasury Report - Luke Tasker, Commission Secretary

Mr. Tasker provided an update on the treasury's status following the planning retreat.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.