

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Deasy called the Work Session held November 29, 2022, to order at 3:03 p.m.

NOTICE OF OPTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City Council and to the general public that, at this work session, the City Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

2. Roll Call

NOTE: One or more Councilmembers may be in attendance telephonically or by other technological means.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

MAYOR DEASY
VICE MAYOR SWEET
COUNCILMEMBER ASLAN
COUNCILMEMBER HOUSE
COUNCILMEMBER MCCARTHY
COUNCILMEMBER SALAS (virtually)
COUNCILMEMBER SHIMONI (virtually)

Others present: Acting City Manager Shannon Anderson; City Attorney Sterling Solomon.

3. Pledge of Allegiance, Mission Statement, and Land Acknowledgement

The Council and audience recited the pledge of allegiance, Councilmember House read the mission statement and Vice Mayor Sweet read the Land Acknowledgement.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Flagstaff is to protect and enhance the quality of life for all.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Flagstaff City Council humbly acknowledges the ancestral homelands of this area's Indigenous nations and original stewards. These lands, still inhabited by Native descendants,

border mountains sacred to Indigenous peoples. We honor them, their legacies, their traditions, and their continued contributions. We celebrate their past, present, and future generations who will forever know this place as home.

4. **Public Participation**

Public Participation enables the public to address the council about items that are not on the prepared agenda. Public Participation appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end of the work session. You may speak at one or the other, but not both. Anyone wishing to comment at the meeting is asked to fill out a speaker card and submit it to the recording clerk. When the item comes up on the agenda, your name will be called. You may address the Council up to three times throughout the meeting, including comments made during Public Participation. Please limit your remarks to three minutes per item to allow everyone to have an opportunity to speak. At the discretion of the Chair, ten or more persons present at the meeting and wishing to speak may appoint a representative who may have no more than fifteen minutes to speak.

None

5. **Review of Draft Agenda for the December 6, 2022 City Council Meeting**

Citizens wishing to speak on agenda items not specifically called out by the City Council may submit a speaker card for their items of interest to the recording clerk.

Mayor Deasy asked that the addition of the pickleball courts at the current bark park location be included in the Thorpe Park Annex Plan. He also requested information about deed restrictions and grant restrictions related to the housing on the Thorpe Annex lot.

6. **Fire Department Commendations**

Fire Chief Mark Gaillard addressed Council to provide the following commendations:

For actions as part of a unit displaying courage and perseverance in the performance of your duties resulting in the protection of lives and property while assigned to the Tunnel Fire:

Engine 1 (Recall)

Captain Matt Smyers
Engineer Tyler Dobbs
Firefighter Luke Daulton

Engine 133 (Recall)

Captain Greg McLaughlin
Engineer Brian Anderson
Firefighter James Devenney
Firefighter Derek Sausman

Engine 6 A-Shift

Captain Jason Bellar
Engineer Corey Coplea
Firefighter Shane Sprazoff

Engine 4 A-Shift

Captain Seth Gregar
Engineer Wes Forbach

Engine 3 A-Shift

Captain Joe Toth
Engineer Justin Staskey
Firefighter Adam Webster

For actions displaying courage and perseverance in the performance of your duties resulting in the protection of lives and property while assigned to the Tunnel Fire (Overhead, Type III IMT, Boots on the ground):

Forest Health Supervisor Neil Chapman
Fire Engineer Katie Brown
Captain Mike Felts

Commanding firefighters assigned to structure protection and evacuation of homes in the direct path of the Tunnel Fire:

Battalion Chief Earl Callander

Captain Callander's communication and diligence kept his crews safe and saved many homes in the area. His leadership and experience dramatically changed the outcomes for many residents in the area while also keeping his fellow firefighter's safety as the priority.

Fire Chief's Commendation in recognition of acts of courage, resourcefulness, and/or perseverance in performance of duties that have resulted in the protection of life or property, the prevention of serious injury or death, or exceptionally admirable quality service to the department or the community:

Engineer Ryan Church

Ryan demonstrated the highest degree of professionalism and exemplifies the highest standards of service by virtue of diligence, dedication, and character.

7. November Work Anniversaries

Interim Deputy City Manager Heidi Hansen presented the November work anniversaries.

NOVEMBER EMPLOYEE WORK ANNIVERSARIES!
 FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
 FIFTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
 TWENTY YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
 25 YEARS PLUS!!

8. Business Community Listening Tour

Business Retention and Expansion Manager John Saltonstall introduced Purina Factory Manager Mike Ferrito who provided a brief presentation that covered the following:

FLG MISSION AND PURPOSE
 NPPC FLAGSTAFF FACTORY – SITE OVERVIEW
 FLAGSTAFF FACTORY FACTS

Mr. Saltonstall introduced Ross Taylor with FBomb Foods who provided a brief presentation and overview of the FBomb company and their recent operations.

Mr. Saltonstall then introduced Ron Kuzinski & Taylor Orr from KC Highlights who provided a presentation that covered the following:

WHO WE ARE
 DEPARTMENTS
 FUTURE IN FLAGSTAFF

Council expressed gratitude for the updates as well as excitement for bringing business to Flagstaff. They thanked Mr. Saltonstall and his team for their efforts in bringing jobs to the region.

9. Youth Climate Advisory Group Introduction and Update

Sustainability Director Nicole Antonopoulos stated that the Youth Climate Advisory Group effort was a result of prior conversations with Council about engaging the youth of the community. She introduced Climate Engagement Coordinator Jenna Ortega who provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

YOUTH CLIMATE ADVISORY GROUP
AGENDA
MEET OUR TEAM: JESS ROBERTS
WHAT IS THE YOUTH CLIMATE ADVISORY GROUP?
MEET OUR TEAM: SAMANTHA GALLEGOS
ACCOMPLISHMENTS
MEET OUR TEAM: MADISON CROZIER
CURRENT PROJECTS
MEET OUR TEAM: SCARLETT MORALES
FUTURE PROJECTS
MEET OUR TEAM: LILLIAN WOODY
GRATITUDE TO OUR 2022 SPRING COHORT MEMBERS
CLOSING
THANK YOU

Council expressed excitement about the program and that they looked forward to the work the group would be doing. They offered words of support and encouragement to the group for their efforts.

10. Vehicle Nuisance Noise Ordinance Discussion

Deputy Police Chief Paul Lasiewicki provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

NUISANCE VEHICLE NOISE ORDINANCE
BACKGROUND
DIRECTION
VEHICLE NOISE REGULATIONS
FINES SCHEDULE

Council discussed the following points:

- Suggested noise levels and their comparison with other cities.
- The use of a sound meters by law enforcement officers.
- Concerns about the proposed changes in wording related to the location of measurements.
- Concerns about the impact on officer time and the financial burden of certification.
- The use of unmanned technological methods for noise enforcement with devices similar to speed cameras.
- Concerns about the potential impact on lower-income populations.
- How the ordinance would provide a tool for enforcement, especially in areas of continued complaints.
- Discretion of officers to cite.

It was emphasized that the discussion and suggestions were still open for further

consideration and wordsmithing before the final decision. Staff would continue to refine the ordinance and return to Council.

11. Public Participation

Jim McCarthy addressed Council in response to emails accusing him of inappropriate actions related to noise complaints. He clarified his actions regarding noise readings to collect data as well as sharing a scholarly article with Council about noise.

12. Informational Items To/From Mayor, Council, and City Manager; future agenda item requests

Councilmember Shimoni expressed appreciation for the Native American Heritage Month events put on by the Indigenous Commission. He reported that he attended a Council meeting in Highland Park, Illinois; it was great to engage with another municipality and he shared some information about recent achievements of Flagstaff.

Vice Mayor Sweet noted that First Friday Artwalk was that week. She also stated that she would be attending the Winter Wonderland Tree Lighting that weekend.

Mayor Deasy and Councilmember McCarthy noted their attendance at the tree lighting as well.

Councilmember Aslan reported that he traveled to Santa Monica for a film festival. He spoke about his experience and noted that there was not a lot of proactive effort in terms of recruitment and promotion of Flagstaff as a film destination. He would like to see that change in the next year's budget. He also stated that he toured the sediment detention basin at the Schultz Y. He expressed concern about snow play in the area. He encouraged discussion about how to manage that as well as a possible cost recovery opportunity.

Councilmember Salas noted that there used to be a Film Commission and she suggested that Councilmember Aslan lead the effort to reinstitute it. She reported that she appeared before the State Transportation Board to ask for funding prioritization for flood mitigation and widening of Highway 89. Later in the week MetroPlan would meet as would ECoNA. She was looking forward to First Friday Artwalk and the Winter Wonderland celebration.

13. Adjournment

The Work Session held November 29, 2022, adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK