

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daggett called the meeting of the Flagstaff City Council held November 21, 2023, 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 regular meeting, the City Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for discussion and consultation 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 DAGGETT
VICE MAYOR ASLAN
COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS
COUNCILMEMBER HOUSE
COUNCILMEMBER MATTHEWS
COUNCILMEMBER MCCARTHY (VIRTUALLY)
COUNCILMEMBER SWEET

Others present: City Manager Greg Clifton; City Attorney Sterling Solomon.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MISSION STATEMENT, AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Council and audience recited the pledge of allegiance, Councilmember Sweet read the Mission Statement of the City of Flagstaff, and Councilmember House 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 an item that is not on the agenda. Comments relating to items that are on the agenda will be taken at the time that the item is discussed. If you wish to address the Council at tonight's meeting, please complete a comment card and submit it to the recording clerk as soon as possible. Your name will be called when it is your turn to speak. 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 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.

Nadine Hart addressed Council and spoke about issues and struggles she experienced as a housing choice voucher holder.

Jonathan Otero addressed Council and spoke in opposition to the anti-camping ordinance. He stated that sleeping should not be criminalized.

5. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

A. November Work Anniversaries

Deputy City Manager Joanne Keene provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

NOVEMBER EMPLOYEE WORK ANNIVERSARIES
FIRST YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
FIVE YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
FIFTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARIES
CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT!

6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

Councilmember House reported that the Commission on Diversity Awareness met and received updates on the Native American Heritage month flag and the Black History month flag. She hoped to provide recommendations for the upcoming 2024 flag designations.

Councilmember Sweet reported that she attended the Mountain Line Board meeting where they discussed the 2024-2025 legislative priorities and received an update on the electric bus pilot. She also attended the Water Commission meeting where they received an update on the water rate study.

Vice Mayor Aslan reported that the Tourism Commission met and received a number of great reports. Of note, was the amount of international travel that staff were undertaking to promote Flagstaff. He also reported that he attended the Cosmic Ray at Sheep Crossing Trail unveiling as well as a meeting with the Dark Sky Coalition. Lastly, he reported that an interpretive display was unveiled at the Flagstaff Visitor Center that included an interactive screen display that shared information about the Flagstaff area.

Councilmember Matthews reported that she also attended the Mountain Line Board meeting and received a presentation on their 12-18 month work plan in support of their strategic plan. They also discussed CDL testing and the possibility of a transit tax on the 2024 ballot. They also announced that they were awarded a \$12.4 million grant for the build out of solar on the Downtown Connection Center administration building.

7. LIQUOR LICENSE PUBLIC HEARINGS

Applications under Liquor License Public Hearings may be considered under one public hearing and may be acted upon by one motion unless otherwise requested by Council.

- A. **Consideration and Action on Liquor License Application:** Jeffrey Craig Miller, "Over Easy," 501 E. Piccadilly Drive, Building 101, Suite 70, Series 12 (restaurant), New License.

Mayor Daggett opened the public hearing.

Police Sergeant Nick Almendarez introduced the application and noted no concerns.

There being no public comment, Mayor Daggett closed the public hearing.

Moved by Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Vice Mayor Austin Aslan to forward the application to the State with a recommendation for approval.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

- B. **Consideration and Action on Liquor License Application:** Anthony Burton Coulston, "Sunnyside Chevron," 2205 N. 4th Street, Series 09 (liquor store - all spirituous liquor), Owner Transfer.

Mayor Daggett opened the public hearing.

Police Sergeant Nick Almendarez introduced the application and noted no concerns.

There being no public comment, Mayor Daggett closed the public hearing.

Moved by Councilmember Lori Matthews, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to forward the application to the State with a recommendation for approval.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

8. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine. Unless a member of City Council expresses a desire at the meeting to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for discussion, the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion approving the recommendations listed on the agenda. Unless otherwise indicated, expenditures approved by Council are budgeted items.

Moved by Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Councilmember Jim McCarthy to approve the Consent Agenda as posted.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

- A. **Consideration and Approval of Contract:** Cooperative Purchase Contract with Empire Southwest, LLC in the amount of \$1,103,354.00, plus other fees and taxes, for a Caterpillar 826K Refuse Compactor.

1. Approve the Cooperative Purchase Contract with Empire Southwest, LLC in the amount of \$1,103,354.00, plus other fees and taxes, for a Caterpillar 826K Refuse Compactor of \$1,103,354.00; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

- B. **Consideration and Approval of Assignment of Development Agreement:** Transfer of the Development Agreement between the City and VP 66 and Woody Mountain LLC to Liv SC Flagstaff, LLC

Approve the assignment of the Development Agreement to Liv SC Flagstaff, LLC.

9. **ROUTINE ITEMS**

- A. **Consideration and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-25:** An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, ratifying the grant and reservation of easements; and formally accepting dedications and donations of easements and real property interests; providing for severability, authority for clerical corrections, and establishing an effective date. (**Approving receipt/transfer of easements and real property interests**)

Real Estate Specialist Carmen Pryer addressed Council and shared that clerical errors were found after the first read. She noted that the errors had been corrected and the ordinance was ready for final read and adoption.

Moved by Councilmember Lori Matthews, **seconded by** Vice Mayor Austin Aslan to read Ordinance No. 2023-25 by title only for the final time.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, RATIFYING THE GRANT AND RESERVATION OF EASEMENTS; AND FORMALLY ACCEPTING DEDICATIONS AND DONATIONS OF EASEMENTS AND REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AUTHORITY FOR CLERICAL CORRECTIONS, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Moved by Councilmember Lori Matthews, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-25.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

10. **PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

Mayor Daggett opened the public hearing on Items 10A, 10B, and 10C.

Zoning Code Manager Tiffany Antol provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

ZONING CODE AMENDMENT PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
 PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
 CITY'S PROPOSED ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT
 OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
 REQUIRED FINDINGS
 MEETING FACILITIES -- NEIGHBORHOOD & REGIONAL
 CITY'S PROPOSED ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT
 OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
 MEETING FACILITIES
 REQUIRED FINDINGS
 MH LOT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS
 MANUFACTURED HOME (MH) ZONE LOT STANDARDS
 MOBILE HAVEN SUBDIVISION
 CITY'S PROPOSED ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT
 OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
 REQUIRED FINDINGS

There being no public comment, Mayor Daggett closed the public hearing on Items 10A, 10B, and 10C.

- A. **Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-57 and Ordinance No. 2023-28:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona, declaring as a public record that certain document filed with the City Clerk entitled "PZ-22-00223 - Planned Residential Development" and an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona, amending the Flagstaff City Code, Title 10, Flagstaff Zoning Code, to modify the existing Planned Residential Development standards.

Moved by Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Vice Mayor Austin Aslan to read Resolution No. 2023-57 by title only.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK AND ENTITLED "PZ-22-00223 -- PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT"

Moved by Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to read Ordinance No. 2023-28 by title only for the first time.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, AMENDING THE FLAGSTAFF CITY CODE, TITLE 10, FLAGSTAFF ZONING CODE, BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT ENTITLED "PZ-22-00223 -- PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT"; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

- B. **Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-54 and Ordinance No. 2023-26:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona, declaring as a public record that certain document filed with the City Clerk entitled "PZ-23-00135 - Meeting Facilities, Neighborhood and Regional" and an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino county, Arizona, amending the Flagstaff City Code, Title 10, Flagstaff Zoning Code, to modify the existing Meeting Facility, Public or Private land use.

Moved by Councilmember Lori Matthews, **seconded by** Vice Mayor Austin Aslan to read Resolution No. 2023-54 by title only.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK AND ENTITLED "PZ-23-00135 -- MEETING FACILITIES, NEIGHBORHOOD AND REGIONAL"

Moved by Councilmember Miranda Sweet, **seconded by** Councilmember Khara House to read Ordinance No. 2023-26 by title only for the first time.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, AMENDING THE FLAGSTAFF CITY CODE, TITLE 10, FLAGSTAFF ZONING CODE, BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT ENTITLED "PZ-23-00135 -- MEETING FACILITIES, NEIGHBORHOOD AND REGIONAL"; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

- C. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-56 and Ordinance No. 2023-27:** A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona, declaring as a public record that certain document filed with the City Clerk entitled "PZ-23-00137 - Manufactured Home (MH) Zone Lot Development Standards" and an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona, amending the Flagstaff City Code, Title 10, Flagstaff Zoning Code to modify the lot development standards of the Manufactured Home (MH) zone.

Moved by Councilmember Deborah Harris, **seconded by** Councilmember Khara House to read Resolution No. 2023-56 by title only.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK AND ENTITLED "PZ-23-00137 -- MANUFACTURED HOME (MH) ZONE LOT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS"

Moved by Councilmember Deborah Harris, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to read Ordinance No. 2023-27 by title only for the first time.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, AMENDING THE FLAGSTAFF CITY CODE, TITLE 10, FLAGSTAFF ZONING CODE, BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT ENTITLED "PZ-23-00137 -- MANUFACTURED HOME (MH) ZONE LOT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS"; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

- D. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-58 and Ordinance No. 2023-29:** A resolution of the Flagstaff City Council declaring as a public record that certain document filed with the City Clerk and entitled "PZ-23-00130 Updates to Zoning Code - Open Space Terminology" and an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Flagstaff amending the Flagstaff City Code, Title 10, Flagstaff Zoning Code, by adopting by reference that certain document entitled "PZ-23-00130 Updates to Zoning Code - Open Space Terminology"

Mayor Daggett opened the public hearing.

Planner Bethan Heng provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

OPEN SPACE TERMINOLOGY TEXT AMENDMENT
 OVERVIEW
 AREA SPECIFICATION, PURPOSE, PURVIEW
 EXAMPLES OF "COMMON OPEN SPACE"
 EXAMPLES OF "PRIVATE OPEN SPACE"
 EXAMPLES OF "OPEN SPACE"
 STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 FINDING #1
 FINDING #2
 FINDING #3
 PROSE
 PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
 PUBLIC COMMENT
 RECOMMENDATION

Councilmember McCarthy stated that he found the terms nebulous, and they did not clearly define what was being discussed.

Ms. Heng stated that there had been a lack of consistency in how the terms were referred to within the code. Common Open Space would refer to open space for the use and enjoyment of all, and Private Open Space would refer to open space that was provided to residents within a development.

There being no public comment, Mayor Daggett closed the public hearing.

Moved by Vice Mayor Austin Aslan, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to read Resolution No. 2023-58 by title only.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL DECLARING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK AND ENTITLED "PZ-23-00130 UPDATES TO ZONING CODE -- OPEN SPACE TERMINOLOGY"

Moved by Councilmember Lori Matthews, **seconded by** Councilmember Khara House to read Ordinance No. 2023-29 by title only for the first time.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF, AMENDING THE FLAGSTAFF CITY CODE, TITLE 10, FLAGSTAFF ZONING CODE, BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THAT CERTAIN DOCUMENT ENTITLED "PZ-23-00130 UPDATES TO ZONING CODE -- OPEN SPACE TERMINOLOGY"; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

11. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. **Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2023-59:** Intergovernmental Agreement between Coconino County Flood Control District and the City of Flagstaff for License to Use City Property

Public Works Director Scott Overton stated that the Coconino County Flood Control District reached out with a mutual aid request to utilize city property located at the Cinder Lake landfill to accommodate pipe storage and some pipe fabrication materials for the upcoming Pipeline East mitigation projects. He indicated that staff was supportive of the request and noted that there would be minimal impact on the operations at the landfill.

Moved by Councilmember Miranda Sweet, **seconded by** Councilmember Jim McCarthy to read Resolution No. 2023-59 by title only.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL, APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN COCONINO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF TO ALLOW THE DISTRICT TO USE CITY PROPERTY AT CINDER LAKES LANDFILL FOR A PIPE FABRICATION FACILITY

Moved by Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Councilmember Miranda Sweet to adopt Resolution No. 2023-59.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

- B. **Consideration and Approval of Adjustments of Property Development Standards:** Request by Roers Company, applicant for VP66 & Woody Mountain LLC, property owner, to approve adjustments to property development standards for a 100% affordable housing development located at 2292 S Alvan Clark Blvd (APN 112-01-156).

Current Planning Manager Alexandra Pucciarelli provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

WOODY MOUNTAIN APARTMENTS
ADJUSTMENT OF PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS
REQUEST OVERVIEW

VICINITY MAP
APPROVED SITE PLAN
WOODY MOUNTAIN APARTMENTS
PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS
MODIFIED SITE PLAN
PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS
ADJUSTMENT FINDINGS
PUBLIC NOTIFICATION
RECOMMENDATION

Councilmember Matthews asked about the width of the parking spaces and if there was enough room for people to open their doors. Ms. Pucciarelli stated that the parking space widths would be addressed within the conditions that staff were requesting. The new site plans would include the vehicle turning radius and the placement of the canopies. They did not have specific information because the developer wanted to request the modification first before doing the design work.

Lindsay Schube, on behalf of the applicant, provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

WOODY MOUNTAIN APARTMENTS
INTRODUCTIONS
ROERS COMPANIES
AERIAL MAP
ZONING MAP
REQUEST
PROJECT OVERVIEW
REQUEST 1
REQUEST 2
REQUEST 3
APPROVAL CRITERIA
CONCLUSION

Councilmember Harris asked where the energy savings from the solar panels would go. Kevin Sturgeon with Roers, stated that the development was an owner-pay energy structure, which meant that residents were not responsible for a separate utility bill. The energy savings would be realized by the entirety of the development.

The following individuals addressed Council in opposition to the adjustments of the Property Development Standards:

- Jonathan Phegley
- Mary McCarthy
- Sabrina (no last name provided)

The following comments were received:

- Notification of the project was limited.
- Concerned about the congestion in the area.
- The design seemed very plain and did not match the esthetic of Timber Sky
- The development was significantly different from the development that was described when they purchased their home.
- Concerned about losing the dark sky feeling of the neighborhood.
- What started as 20% affordable condos and townhomes had changed to 100% affordable apartments.
- There did not seem to be protections in place to ensure they do what they have committed to do.
- There would be an increase in traffic.
- What would the impacts of the project be and had those been considered?
- Many of the promised amenities in Timber Sky had not been done.
- The development was built on state land and in accordance with state land provisions, the land

was not supposed to be developed.

Ms. Pucciarelli stated that the parcel was rezoned as part of the entire Timber Sky subdivision. It was at that time that the impact analyses were completed. The parcel had always been envisioned as multi-family residential and the zoning had allowed for that density, so the impact analyses included the maximum number of units allowed on that site. The impact analyses included water, sewer, traffic, and stormwater. Concerning the dark sky concerns, the development was required to meet all regulations and restrictions placed upon the Timber Sky development.

Ms. Schube stated that the project had been discussed many times at Timber Sky HOA meetings. All impact studies contemplated more density at the corner. The Development Agreement exceeded all dark sky code obligations. With regard to the amenities within Timber Sky, the site plans had been approved, and the building permits had been issued to begin construction.

Councilmember Harris asked about the timeframe for completion of the amenities. Ms. Pucciarelli explained that it was difficult to determine because the development had so many phases and parts. She indicated that there would come a point in the development where the city would no longer issue any more Certificates of Occupancy until certain requirements were met. There was not an exact timeline, but there were ways to hold the developer accountable for following through on their obligations.

Councilmember Matthews asked about the notification requirements for the various phases. Ms. Pucciarelli stated that when the Timber Sky development first came in, few lived in the area. There were now more people who lived there. All notification requirements had been met with the development and rezone of the property. She noted that there was a code update that put a requirement that any amendments to a development agreement must be noticed to surrounding property owners.

Councilmember Matthews asked how different the outside architecture would appear compared to the other phases of the development. Ms. Schube stated that the only deviations were the depth of the garage, the building jogs, and the width of the parking stalls. The city design standards had all been met and HOA approval had been granted.

Mayor Daggett asked about the comment related to state land transfer. Ms. Pucciarelli explained that the state would often auction property for private purchase. There were no stipulations against development, and it was common for private developers to acquire the property. Ms. Schube added clarification that state land was not conservation land and it could be sold for highest and best value.

Vice Mayor Aslan expressed his excitement that the project was advancing and that there was opportunity to incentivize the effort. He stated that the amendments seemed minor and reasonable.

Councilmember McCarthy voiced his support for the modifications.

Moved by Councilmember Jim McCarthy, **seconded by** Councilmember Khara House to approve the modifications requested as presented, with the following conditions:

1. Before Civil Plan approval, staff will be provided with a revised site plan showing the final location of solar parking canopies, column locations, and layout of parking spaces.
2. A final landscape plan showing the layout of the parking peninsulas and the quantities and locations of landscape material be provided to staff as part of the Civil Plan Set submittal.

Vote: 7 - 0 - Unanimously

12. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **Update on Agassiz Renaming Process**

Coordinator for Indigenous Initiatives Rose Toehe addressed Council and stated that the Indigenous Youths of Flagstaff embarked on an effort to rename Agassiz Peak within the San Francisco Peaks

to Öo'mawki, a Hopi name which meant "home or place of the clouds." They met with many relatives, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous, and garnered support for their work, which also included the Agassiz family. She introduced Makaius Marks, Johnny Otero, Althea Etsitty, Madilynn Benally, and Loralynn Yazzie who provided an update on the efforts.

The points covered by the youth included the following:

- The process had taken many years.
- The Indigenous Club at Flagstaff High School began the effort and issued a press release that urged a name change of the peak.
- The mountain was female and represented the life that prospered around her.
- The rename was a reconciliation of the past, not an erasure of it.
- The Peaks were a symbol of the community, and it were sacred.
- House of the clouds was a reflection of the community.
- The next generation desired to feel served by the community around them.
- The Indigenous Youths of Flagstaff attended a meeting of the Board of National Geographic Names where they changed the name of Agassiz Peak to Öo'mawki.
- Öo'mawki was chosen because the Hopi were our ancestors, here long before many of us and the name acknowledged and respected that heritage.
- They were thankful for the acknowledgement and approval of the name change.
- The change represented further inclusivity within the Flagstaff community.
- There were 12 other tribes that deemed the mountain as holy.
- A name that did not represent sacredness was a disregard to its importance and a disregard of the cultural importance of the mountain.
- The name change would affect the current generation and generations to come.
- They were there to educate people about Indigenous youth and for Indigenous advocacy.
- There was still much work to be done, and care must be taken to sow the seeds that were planted with this effort.
- They carry the mountain with them every day.
- The mountain gave them and the community their identity.
- Thank you for taking the time to make this acknowledgment.

Tyler Jensen submitted a written comment in support of the renaming of Agassiz Peak and the efforts of the group.

Mayor Daggett expressed gratitude for the work they had put into the process. She thanked the group for sharing their thoughts and feelings about what the mountain represented to them.

Councilmember House thanked the group for the update. She shared a concept that came from her people, which was Sankof. It stemmed from a phrase that meant do not be afraid to look backward for what may have been forgotten and bring it into the present. It was represented by a crane or a bird that was looking backward with an egg on its back and the egg represented the future. The bird was flying into the present while looking back at the past and recognizing all. She felt that the renaming efforts represented that concept and the recognition and acknowledgment of the past but not to erase it. She expressed excitement of the change and thanked the group for their relentless effort to see it through.

Councilmember Matthews also expressed excitement about the change. She felt that it was a fresh healing and honoring of the past and present. They were the generation to pave the way and make change.

Councilmember Sweet thanked the group for their update and for giving hope. She noted that there was a lot that was happening in the world and their actions made a difference for everyone. Their dedication would ripple into more positive changes. She thanked them for using their voices and being passionate about change.

Councilmember Harris stated that there was so much appreciation for their work and commitment. They set a great example for others to follow. She encouraged them to continue to engage and never give up the struggle.

Vice Mayor Aslan echoed all the gratitude expressed and stated that he had hope for the future. He encouraged them to continue their involvement within the community and elsewhere. He also encouraged them to consider a seat on Council as more Indigenous and youth representation was needed.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

After discussion and upon agreement by three members of the Council, an item will be moved to a regularly-scheduled Council meeting.

- A. Future Agenda Item Request (F.A.I.R.):** A request by Councilmember Matthews to place on a future agenda a discussion to consider designating the second Monday in October Indigenous Peoples Day for the city.

Mr. Clifton stated that staff had begun to research the possibility of adding the holiday. He indicated that the discussion would come back to Council as part of the next budget process.

There was requisite Council support to advance the item to a future agenda for discussion.

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

15. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS TO/FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND STAFF, AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

Councilmember Harris offered thanks for those who reached out to her during a difficult time with her family.

Mayor Daggett reported that Flagstaff Pride hosted a Transgender Day of Remembrance where they read the names and stories of transgender individuals who had been killed in 2023. She stated that it was a moving event and was glad she attended.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting of the Flagstaff City Council held November 21, 2023, adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATION

I, STACY SALTZBURG, do hereby certify that I am the City Clerk of the City of Flagstaff, County of Coconino, State of Arizona, and that the above Minutes are a true and correct summary of the Meeting of the Council of the City of Flagstaff held on November 21, 2023. I further certify that the Meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 19th day of March, 2024

CITY CLERK