

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Daggett called the meeting of the Flagstaff City Council held December 17, 2024, to order at 3:02 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 through other technological means.*

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

MAYOR DAGGETT  
VICE MAYOR ASLAN  
COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS  
COUNCILMEMBER HOUSE  
COUNCILMEMBER MATTHEWS  
COUNCILMEMBER MCCARTHY  
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 Harris 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. **Swearing in of Mayor and Councilmembers**

The Honorable Judge Speed administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Mayor and Councilmembers Becky Daggett, Miranda Sweet, Anthony Garcia, and David Spence.

#### 5. **Recognition of Elected Officials**

##### A. Indigenous Blessing

Indigenous Affairs Administrator Rose Toehe introduced Dorothy Gishie who provided a blessing and presented gifts to the Mayor and Council.

##### B. Public Comment

Andy Fernandez and Jasmine Jewell provided comments in recognition of the newly elected officials.

#### 6. **Transition of New Councilmembers to the Dias**

#### 7. **Roll Call**

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PRESENT:

ABSENT:

MAYOR DAGGETT  
COUNCILMEMBER ASLAN  
COUNCILMEMBER GARCIA  
COUNCILMEMBER HOUSE  
COUNCILMEMBER MATTHEWS  
COUNCILMEMBER SPENCE  
COUNCILMEMBER SWEET

#### 8. **Selection of Vice Mayor**

**Moved by** Councilmember Austin Aslan, **seconded by** Councilmember Lori Matthews to appoint Miranda Sweet as Vice Mayor.

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - Unanimously

#### 9. **Recess for Reception**

Mayor Daggett recessed the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

#### 10. **Reconvene Meeting**

Mayor Daggett reconvened the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

#### 11. **OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

*Open Call to the Public enables the public to address the Council about an item that is not on the prepared agenda. Comments relating to items that are on the agenda will be taken at the time that the item is discussed. Open Call to the Public appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end. The total time allotted for the first Open Call to the Public is 30 minutes; any additional comments will be held until the second Open Call to the Public.*

*If you wish to address the Council in person at today'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 Open Call to the Public and Public Comment. 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.*

Eva Putzova addressed Council about a petition to put an immigrant safety ordinance on the agenda.

Grace Vaughn addressed Council asking them to provide low-cost immigration assistance.

Colleen Maring addressed Council with an update of Northern Arizona Healthcare. She announced that both hospitals were recently ranked the best in Arizona for infection prevention by the Arizona Department of Health Services.

Andy Fernandez addressed Council about various topics.

Azzarria addressed Council to warn them that that God would send a plague over Flagstaff.

## 12. December Work Anniversaries

Senior Deputy City Manager Shannon Anderson provided a PowerPoint presentation that covered the following:

HAPPY WORK ANNIVERSARY  
FIRST YEAR ANNIVERSARIES  
5TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY  
15TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY  
20TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY  
25TH ANNIVERSARY  
CONGRATULATIONS

## 13. 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:** Jose Gutierrez Barbosa, "Los Tapatios," 3300 E Route 66, Series 12 (Restaurant), New License

Mayor Daggett opened the public hearing.

City Clerk Assistant Georganna Staskey introduced the application and noted that there were no concerns from the Police Department but that there were open violations from Community Development. She shared that staff was working through those with the applicant and saw no concern with advancing the application.

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

**Moved by** Councilmember Austin Aslan, **seconded by** Vice Mayor Miranda Sweet to forward the application to the state with a recommendation for approval.

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - Unanimously

## 14. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. **Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-53:** A resolution adopting the City Council 2025 Commemorative Flag Designations

Mr. Solomon provided Council with a brief introduction of the Flag Policy.

City Clerk Stacy Saltzburg reviewed the submissions for modifications to the commemorative flags for 2025.

Following discussion, the Council set the following designations for 2025:

Month	Commemorative Flag(s)	Dates of Display
January	Human Trafficking Awareness	January 1 -- 31
February	Black History Month	February 1 -- 28
March	Women's History Month	March 1 -- 16
	Transgender Visibility	March 17 -- 31
April	Earth Day	April 1 -- 30
May	Star Wars Day	May 4
	Armed Forces Day	May 1 -- 3 and then 5 -- 31
June	LGBTQIA+ Month	June 1 -- 30
July	Tree City USA	July 1 -- 31
August	Purple Heart Day	August 1 -- 31
	Ukraine Independence Day	August 24
September	United Nations Climate Change	September 1 -- 15
	Hispanic Heritage Month	September 16 -- 30
October	Hispanic Heritage Month	October 1 -- 15
	National Domestic Violence Awareness Month	October 16 -- 31
November	Native American Heritage Month	November 1 -- 30
December	World AIDS Day	December 1 -- 31

**Moved by** Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Councilmember Anthony Garcia to read Resolution No. 2024-53 by title only.

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - Unanimously

*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF (PURSUANT TO THE CITY COUNCIL POLICY ON THE DISPLAY OF FLAGS) DESIGNATING ALL COMMEMORATIVE FLAGS THAT WILL BE DISPLAYED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR 2025 ON THE TEMPORARY POLE IN FRONT OF CITY HALL AS AMENDED*

**Moved by** Councilmember Khara House, **seconded by** Councilmember David Spence to adopt Resolution No. 2024-53.

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - Unanimously

15. OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC

None

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

Councilmember Garcia reported that he attended the New Elected Officials Training held by the Arizona League of Cities and Towns. He was able to meet with many other new councilmembers and was grateful for the amount of relationship building that occurred there. He also reported that he would be attending the Longest Night event.

Councilmember Aslan congratulated and welcomed the new Councilmembers and stated that he looked forward to seeing them grow into the position.

Vice Mayor Sweet also welcomed the new Councilmembers and shared that she was excited to work with them. She reported that the Giving Machine in Heritage Square would be launching that week; she encouraged the community to check it out.

Councilmember House reported that she attended the Gun Violence Remembrance ceremony at the Murdoch Center. It was a great event with very meaningful presenters including gun violence survivors and those affected by gun violence. She also welcomed and congratulated the new Councilmembers and congratulated Vice Mayor Sweet for her new role.

Councilmember Spence offered appreciation to staff for the support and assistance in getting him up to speed and started as a new Councilmember. He has felt very welcomed and is excited to go to work.

Mayor Daggett welcomed the new Councilmembers and thanked them for attending the League training. She indicated that she would be attending the Longest Night event and she encouraged others to do so as well.

Mr. Clifton congratulated the new Councilmembers, the Mayor for her reappointment, and Vice Mayor Sweet on her new position. He stated that business would slow down over the holidays but would quickly pick back up in January. He reminded Council that there would be a retreat at the end of January that was focused on the roles of Council that was Flagstaff specific as well as a primer on the budget.

Councilmember Aslan added that he attended the Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council meeting where they visited the Rio de Flag Water Reclamation plant.

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Meeting of the Flagstaff City Council held December 17, 2024, adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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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 December 17, 2024. I further certify that the Meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 18th day of March, 2025

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CITY CLERK