

City Council Regular Meeting

Municipal Court and Council Chambers
14455 W. Van Buren St., Suite B101
Goodyear, AZ 85338



Monday, February 8, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lord called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION BY COUNCILMEMBER HAMPTON

ROLL CALL

Present: **Mayor Georgia Lord; Vice Mayor Bill Stipp; Councilmember Sheri Lauritano;
Councilmember Wally Campbell; Councilmember Brannon Hampton;
Councilmember Laura Kaino**

Absent: **Councilmember Joe Pizzillo**

Staff Present: City Manager Julie Arendall; City Attorney Roric Massey; City Clerk Darcie McCracken

**MOTION BY Councilmember Wally Campbell, SECONDED BY Vice Mayor Bill Stipp to
EXCUSE Councilmember Pizzillo. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**AYE: Mayor Georgia Lord, Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano,
Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton,
Councilmember Laura Kaino**

Passed - Unanimously

CITIZENS COMMENTS/APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

There were no citizen comments.

CONSENT

**MOTION BY Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, SECONDED BY Councilmember Laura
Kaino to APPROVE Consent Agenda Items 1 through 7. The motion carried by the
following vote:**

AYE: **Mayor Georgia Lord, Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Laura Kaino**

Passed - Unanimously

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Recommendation:

Approve the draft minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 25, 2021.

(Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

2. **ACQUISITION OF CONTROL FOR SERIES 9 (LIQUOR STORE) LIQUOR LICENSE FOR BEVMO**

Recommendation:

Recommend to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC) approval of Application No. 134918, a request from Andrea Dahlman Lewkowitz, agent/applicant for Beverages & More Inc. dba BEVMO, for an Acquisition of Control of a Series 9 (Liquor Store) liquor license. No. 09079006 assigned to BEVMO, located at 15405 West McDowell Road, Goodyear, Arizona 85338 (Generally located on the southeast corner of Pebble Creek Parkway and McDowell Road). (Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

3. **FINAL PLAT OF GOODYEAR CIVIC SQUARE PARCEL A AT ESTRELLA FALLS**

Recommendation:

Approve the Final Plat of Goodyear Civic Square Parcel A at Estrella Falls subject to stipulations. (Katie Wilken, Planning Manager)

4. **APPROVE THE DECLARATION OF EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR CIVIC SQUARE**

Recommendation:

ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2021-2133 APPROVING THE DECLARATION OF EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR CIVIC SQUARE; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION, DIRECTION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Roric Massey, City Attorney)

5. **FINAL PLAT FOR CURVE AT ESTRELLA COMMONS**

Recommendation:

Approve the Final Plat for Curve at Estrella Commons subject to stipulations. (Katie Wilken, Planning Manager)

6. **APPROVAL OF A TERMINATION AND RELEASE OF SEWER EASEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN EXCLUSIVE SEWER LINE AND ACCESS EASEMENT AND ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROLOGIS DEVELOPMENT.**

Recommendation:

Approve the Termination and Release of the Sewer Easement attached hereto and authorize its execution and recordation with the Maricopa County Recorder and Accept the Exclusive Sewer Line and Access Easement attached hereto and authorize its execution and recordation with the Maricopa County Recorder following the recordation of the

Release. (Linda Beals, Real Estate Coordinator)

7. **ADOPT PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT SYSTEM FY2022 FUNDING POLICY**

Recommendation:

Adopt the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System FY2022 Pension Funding Policy. (Doug Sandstrom, Finance Director)

BUSINESS

8. **ADOPT FY2022 FINANCIAL POLICIES**

Finance Director Doug Sandstrom presented a request to Adopt the FY2022 Financial Policies. Mr. Sandstrom reviewed the two major policy changes that included increasing the amount of construction sales tax dollars that would be used for operations, and adding a hierarchy of using restricted funds first and then moving to least restrictive funds as a last source of revenue.

MOTION BY Councilmember Brannon Hampton, SECONDED BY Councilmember Wally Campbell to ADOPT the Financial Policies as presented in Attachment 1. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Mayor Georgia Lord, Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Laura Kaino

Passed - Unanimously

9. **PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR ESTRELLA PARCEL 11.11**

Senior Planner Alex Lestinsky presented a request to approve the preliminary plat for Estrella Parcel 11.11. Ms. Lestinsky explained that preliminary plats are normally placed on the Consent Agenda, but due to some language changes that were different than what was presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission, this item was being presented to Council as a Business item.

Ms. Lestinsky discussed the details of the parcel stating it was part of the Lucero Planned Area Development. She explained the parcel consisted of 9 acres, 38 proposed lots and 3 open space tracts.

MOTION BY Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, SECONDED BY Councilmember Laura Kaino to APPROVE the preliminary plat for Estrella Parcel 11.11, subject to stipulations. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: Mayor Georgia Lord, Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Laura Kaino

Passed - Unanimously

10. **ESTRELLA HIGHLANDS ANNEXATION**

Development Services Director Christopher Baker provided an overview of the annexation process in Arizona.

Council asked who would get the petition signatures for the process. Mr. Baker replied that in this annexation request, the property owner would get signatures since the property owner was petitioning the annexation request. He added that if it was a geographical area annexation, the City would give notice asking the public to sign the petition instead of going door to door.

Council asked if one property owner was against the annexation, could the remaining property owners move forward. Mr. Baker responded that at least 50% within the geographical area had to approve the annexation to move forward, so one person could not hold up the process.

Planning Manager Katie Wilken presented a request to proceed with the Estrella Highlands annexation. She stated the subject property was located near Tuthill Road and Queen Creek Road.

Council wanted to clarify that the purpose of this item was for staff to obtain approval to continue having a discussion with the property owner to annex their property.

Ms. Wilken added that the reason for the request was because the next step in the process was to file a copy of the annexation map and a blank petition with the Maricopa County Recorder to start the public process.

Ms. Wilken went on to discuss the details of the subject property noting it consisted of 1,250 acres. She also explained the evaluation criteria for annexation focusing on the ability of the City to provide basic services in a timely manner. Those basic services included streets, transportation, emergency services, water and wastewater services. She added that Arizona State Statute required that the City have a plan to provide service to an area within 10 years after the annexation.

Shaine Alleman, with Tiffany & Bosco P.A., representing the applicant, discussed the process and the time and effort spent on the annexation. He stated that a Planned Area Development would be submitted along with a development agreement so that they could work with staff on the details of the development of the subject property.

Council thanked staff for the presentation.

Council was curious about how problematic it could be when dealing with multiple owners in terms of infrastructure and liability. Ms. Wilken explained that there were multiple property owners for the subject property and when creating a development agreement, it did create some concern. She stated the applicant was confident that they would be able to work through the concerns.

Mr. Alleman added that all of the property owners would be moving forward together as one body with the annexation.

MOTION BY Councilmember Wally Campbell, SECONDED BY Councilmember Sheri Lauritano to AUTHORIZE staff to proceed with the Estrella Highlands annexation. This action does not commit City Council to annex the land into the city of Goodyear. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: **Mayor Georgia Lord, Vice Mayor Bill Stipp, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Laura Kaino**

Passed - Unanimously

INFORMATION ITEMS

City Manager Julie Arendall advised that the City would be holding an election for proposed Charter changes on March 9, 2021. She invited the public to a virtual public meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 at 10 a.m. on the proposed Charter changes.

Ms. Arendall also noted that City offices would be closed on Monday, February 15, 2021 in observance of Presidents' Day.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting is a Work Session on February 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Lord adjourned the Regular Meeting at 6:44 p.m.

Darcie McCracken, City Clerk

Georgia Lord, Mayor

Date: _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING of the city of Goodyear, Arizona, held on February 8, 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2021.

SEAL:

Darcie McCracken, City Clerk