

## City Council Regular Meeting

City Hall - Council Chambers  
1900 N. Civic Square  
Goodyear, AZ 85395



**Monday, December 9, 2024**

**Immediately following the  
Work Session that began at  
5:00 p.m.**

**Meeting Minutes**

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pizzillo called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Present: **Mayor Joe Pizzillo; Vice Mayor Laura Kaino; Councilmember Sheri Lauritano;  
Councilmember Wally Campbell; Councilmember Bill Stipp; Councilmember  
Brannon Hampton; Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Staff City Manager Wynette Reed; City Attorney Roric Massey; City Clerk Darcie

Present: McCracken

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION BY COUNCILMEMBER CAMPBELL

#### APPOINTMENTS

#### 1. APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

**MOTION BY Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, SECONDED BY Vice Mayor Laura Kaino to APPROVE the appointments and reappointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

City Clerk Darcie McCracken administered the Oath of Office to Cindy Braun, Laura Fries, Sharolyn Hohman, Rachel Bretthauer, Mary Sarkis, Greg Clymer, Maria Sambito and Anthony Wang.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS/APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

Solomon Jedidi, Goodyear resident, expressed concerns about reckless driving in Las Brisas, industrial development creating noise for nearby homes, and the wash being used for off-roading.

Michael Infanzon, representing Arizona Citizens Defense League, spoke regarding city code 11-1-20 which restricts firearms in city parks and preserves.

## CONSENT

**MOTION BY Councilmember Brannon Hampton, SECONDED BY Councilmember Wally Campbell to APPROVE Consent Agenda items 2 through 6, and item 8. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

Item 7 was pulled for separate vote.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the November 18, 2024 Regular Meeting draft minutes and December 2, 2024 Special Meeting draft minutes.(Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

3. **APPROVAL OF NEW SERIES 7 (BEER AND WINE BAR) LIQUOR LICENSE FOR VALLEY CRAFT**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval of Application No. 310833 to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC). Mr. Quinn has submitted this application for a New Series 7 liquor license for Valley Craft, which is located at 15671 W Roosevelt St., Goodyear, Arizona 85338. (Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

4. **APPROVAL OF NEW SERIES 10 (BEER AND WINE STORE) LIQUOR LICENSE FOR 7-ELEVEN #47390**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend approval of Application No. 313581 to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (DLLC). Agent Gurinder Singh has submitted this application for a New Series 10 liquor license for 7-Eleven #47390A, which is located at 1025 N Estrella Parkway, Goodyear, Arizona 85338. (Darcie McCracken, City Clerk)

5. **APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS & RELATED EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY**

RECOMMENDATION

Approve budget amendments and related expenditure authority. (Ryan Bittle, Finance Manager)

6. **AUTHORIZATION OF THE EXPENDITURE OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR APPROVED CIP PROJECT #42088 – DILEMMA ZONE ADVANCE DETECTION AND ITS UPGRADES**

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the expenditure of funds up to \$1,650,000 for Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project #42088 – Dilemma Zone Advance Detection and ITS Upgrades. (Steve Scinto, Director of Engineering)

7. **ADOPTION OF CITY CODE AMENDMENTS REGARDING PAVEMENT CUTS**

RECOMMENDATION

ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1624, AMENDING SECTION 4.1.7(A)(7) OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE ENGINEERING DESIGN STANDARDS AND POLICIES MANUAL; AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL FEE SCHEDULE TO DELETE CERTAIN FEES; AMENDING CHAPTER 13 TRAFFIC OF THE GOODYEAR CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE § 13-4 ADDRESSING STREET REPAIRS AND PAVEMENT CUTS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, CORRECTIONS, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING LAWS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sumeet Mohan, P.E., Director, and Brian Harvel, Streets Superintendent, Public Works Department)

**MOTION BY Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, SECONDED BY Councilmember Bill Stipp to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1624, AMENDING SECTION 4.1.7(A)(7) OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE ENGINEERING DESIGN STANDARDS AND POLICIES MANUAL; AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL FEE SCHEDULE TO DELETE CERTAIN FEES; AMENDING CHAPTER 13 TRAFFIC OF THE GOODYEAR CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE § 13-4 ADDRESSING STREET REPAIRS AND PAVEMENT CUTS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, CORRECTIONS, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING LAWS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The motion carried as follows:**

AYE: **Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

NAY: **Councilmember Bill Stipp**

Passed

8. **TRANSIT RELATED GRANT AUTHORIZATION, BUDGET AMENDMENT, AND EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION**

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager to approve a Grant Pass-thru Agreement with the City of Phoenix, approve budget amendments, and authorize expenditures for transit related programs in the amount of \$2,250,000. (Jared Askelson, Finance Director)

**BUSINESS**

9. **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA) WITH FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT OF MARICOPA COUNTY FOR ACQUISITION OF LAND RELATED TO THE BULLARD WASH TRAIL EXPANSION**

Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation David Seid presented a request to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Flood Control District of Maricopa County to acquire 5.8 acres for a contiguous connection to the Bullard Wash Trail Extension. He noted that the property, located between McDowell Road and Interstate 10, involves no acquisition cost, and the city will continue its current wash maintenance responsibilities. Mr. Seid outlined next steps, including trail design and returning to Council for construction expenditure approval.

Council discussed the project's design, funding, and connectivity, including how it will align with existing trails and accommodate various activities. Council also inquired about securing land to reach the ballpark, extending the path to the train tracks, and connecting to the Maricopa County trail system.

**MOTION BY Councilmember Bill Stipp, SECONDED BY Councilmember Vicki Gillis to APPROVE the IGA with the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (“The District”) and providing authorization and direction to take action and execute documents necessary to carry out the intent of the agreement. The motion carried as follows:**

AYE: **Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

10. **ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR MAYORAL AND COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS**

City Clerk Darcie McCracken presented a request for the adoption of an ordinance to establish an alternative method for calculating candidate signature petition requirements. She explained that, under Arizona Revised Statutes, the city could set a minimum requirement of 1,000 signatures or 5% of the votes for Mayor, whichever is lower. She noted that this change would first apply to the 2028 election, as the signature requirements would be determined based on the votes for Mayor in the 2026 election.

Ms. McCracken read Ordinance No. 2024-1618 by title only.

Council expressed support for the ordinance.

**MOTION BY Councilmember Bill Stipp, SECONDED BY Councilmember Vicki Gillis to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1618, AMENDING THE GOODYEAR CITY CODE TO ADD SECTION 2-3-6, ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR GOODYEAR MAYORAL AND COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The motion carried as follows:**

AYE: **Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

11. **AMEND GOODYEAR CITY CODE, ARTICLE 11-1, SECTION 15**

City Clerk Darcie McCracken presented the amendment to city code to remove the offense of spitting in public places.

Ms. McCracken read Ordinance No. 2024-1623 by title only.

**MOTION BY Councilmember Bill Stipp, SECONDED BY Councilmember Brannon Hampton to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1623, AMENDING GOODYEAR CITY CODE ARTICLE 11-1 (OFFENSES), TO AMEND SECTION 11-1-15 (SPITTING), PROVIDING FOR CORRECTIONS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

**12. 2024 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR) AND AUDIT RESULTS**

Finance Director Jared Askelson presented the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and the Independent Audit Results. He reviewed the standardized reports and the independent auditors' results which included an unmodified opinion, or clean audit, no significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and that the city complied in all material respects.

Jill Shaw, Auditor, representing Heinfeld Meech & Co., presented their findings to the City Council in compliance with Arizona Revised Statute §9-481.

No formal action was required.

**13. ADOPTION OF REVISED POLICY, GUIDELINES, AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICTS (CFD)**

Finance Director Jared Askelson provided an update on the Community Facilities District (CFD) policy. He outlined major policy updates, including changes to board composition, adjustments to the subsidy rate, clarification of outdated processes, and incorporation of current practices into the policy.

City Clerk Darcie McCracken read Resolution No. 2024-2435 by title only.

In response to a Council inquiry, Mr. Askelson explained that the city had reviewed the policy changes with an interested applicant. He also noted that the CFD application is open and available for any interested parties to apply.

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| <b>INFORMATION ITEMS</b> |
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Council shared that the PebbleCreek Home Tour raised \$15K for Shop With A Cop and the Pickleball Club donated numerous toys for Fill-A-Need. Council also noted that an email was received regarding homelessness in Portales Park, with a request for the area to be cleaned up before the holiday break.

City Manager Wynette Reed reported on the city's Tree Lighting event which attracted over 3,300 attendees and 900 skaters at the RinQ.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

**Future meetings are tentatively scheduled as follows:**

December 16, 2024

Council Meeting

5:00 p.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A VOTE MAY BE HELD TO CALL AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

14. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3)(4) & (7): Discussion and consultation with the City Attorney for legal advice and to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding real estate matters and the purchase and development agreements related to Lot 8A Goodyear Civic Square.

**MOTION BY Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, SECONDED BY Councilmember Brannon Hampton to MOVE into Executive Session. The motion carried as follows:**

**AYE: Mayor Joe Pizzillo, Vice Mayor Laura Kaino, Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Councilmember Wally Campbell, Councilmember Bill Stipp, Councilmember Brannon Hampton, Councilmember Vicki Gillis**

Passed - Unanimously

Council moved into Executive Session at 7:08 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Pizzillo adjourned Executive Session at 7:29 p.m.

### **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Pizzillo reconvened the Regular Meeting at 7:29 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Pizzillo adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:29 p.m.

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Darcie McCracken, City Clerk

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Joe Pizzillo, 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 December 9, 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

SEAL:

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Darcie McCracken, City Clerk