



MARANA TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
11555 W. Civic Center Drive, Marana, Arizona 85653  
Council Chambers, May 20, 2025, at or after 6:00 PM

Jon Post, Mayor  
Roxanne Ziegler, Vice Mayor  
Patrick Cavanaugh, Council Member  
Patti Comerford, Council Member  
Herb Kai, Council Member  
Teri Murphy, Council Member  
John Officer, Council Member

**SUMMARY MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

**Mayor Post** called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. He directed the Town Clerk to call the roll. All Council Members were present, constituting a quorum.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Led by **Mayor Post**.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Mayor Post** asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

*Council Member Kai moved to approve the agenda as presented. Vice Mayor Ziegler and Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

**Randy Karrer** addressed the Council to express opposition to the Linda Vista 52 annexation. His concerns included resident notification, the annexation process, property rights, and potential conflicts of interest. He stated that he had submitted six public

records requests and had not yet received a response. **Vice Mayor Ziegler** requested that **Town Manager Terry Rozema** obtain additional information regarding **Mr. Karrer's** request.

**Rhonda Karrer** spoke in opposition to the Linda Vista 52 annexation. She said that she attended the May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting about the proposed development, and she continued to have several concerns about the process and potential negative impacts on her family's property and the nearby existing properties.

**John Harkey** asked the Council to vote against the Linda Vista 52 annexation and cited a signed petition of 78 neighbors opposed to the plan. He said that, in his view, the proposed development could diminish community trust, negatively impact the environment, reduce property values, and contribute to perceptions of favoritism due to the mayor's family ties to one of the landowners.

**Cheryl Hall** spoke about the potential impact of the Linda Vista 52 annexation on her property and neighborhood. She expressed concerns about the overall process and the loss of property values. She encouraged the Council to vote against the proposed annexation.

**Angela Cohen** addressed the Council in opposition to the Linda Vista 52 annexation. She expressed concern about the accuracy of data that had been presented previously. She stated that the annexation threatens her family's investment and that any cost-benefit analysis should include potential losses in property value.

**Mark Brazier** addressed the Council in opposition to the Linda Vista 52 annexation and stated concerns about traffic on Linda Vista Boulevard. He requested communication on traffic plans and whether road expansion would precede or follow the start of the project.

**Jennie DeBray** spoke in opposition to the Linda Vista 52 annexation. She said that the development contradicts Marana's stated goals and encouraged Council members to visit the location. She expressed ethical concerns about the mayor's actions and his connection to the landowners involved. **Ms. DeBray** stated that affected residents will continue to oppose the annexation.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

**Council Member Cavanaugh** reported attending a tour of the Airline-Lambert Water Treatment Facility and commended the Water Department staff for their efforts in water treatment and purification.

**Vice Mayor Ziegler** reported attending the May 8<sup>th</sup> public hearing regarding the Linda Vista 52 annexation, the Rockin' 4 Heroes fundraiser, the 88-CRIME fundraiser, the Arizona LD 17 meeting, and shared information about the upcoming golf tournament supporting the Marana Veterans' Cemetery.

**Mayor Post** reported attending the Run for the Wall event and accepted a plaque on the Town's behalf. He also provided updates from a meeting with Union Pacific leadership regarding the Tangerine Road project. **Council Member Commerford** inquired about the number of motorcycle riders at the Run for the Wall event. **Mayor Post** replied that the number was 370 riders and provided background information on the event's history in Marana.

## **MANAGER'S REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

**Mr. Rozema** reported that 55 single-family residential permits were issued as of mid-May, compared to 167 in May 2024. He noted that the Marana Aquatics & Recreation Center (MARC) membership had reached 1,531 memberships and over 6,400 members. He reported on the success of the Mother's Day 5K and noted the Marana Police Department raised nearly \$3,000 at the Tip-a-Cop fundraiser. He also announced that Twin Peaks Road would close for summer construction work on Rattlesnake Pass.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

P1 Relating to Budget; presentation of third quarter results (July-March) for the Town's General Fund and other selected major funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year (Yiannis Kalaitzidis)

**Finance Director Yiannis Kalaitzidis** presented on this item. He noted that the third quarter financial report, as presented, was unaudited. He indicated that the Town has had strong revenue and that the overall numbers are expected for this time of the year. For more details, please refer to the presentation slides, including tables and graphical representations. A copy of the presentation slides is on file with the Town Clerk's Office.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

C1 Resolution No. 2025-040: Relating to Development; approving a Final Plat for Silverbell Ridge, Lots 1 - 55 and Common Areas "A-1" through "A - 4" (Natural Open Space), Common Areas "B-1 through B-5" (Landscape/Grading/Drainage) and Common Area "C" (Recreation) located approximately one-quarter of a mile south of Ina Road, west of Silverbell Road (Scott Radden)

C2 Resolution No. 2025-041: Relating to Traffic and Highways; approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Fiber Optic Communications License Assignment

with Licensor Consent (Ting Fiber, LLC to Wyverd Connect LLC) and the First Amendment to Fiber Optic Communications License issued to Wyverd Connect LLC (Jane Fairall)

C3 Relating to Procurement; approving a change order to the contract with Westland Resources Inc. in the amount of \$27,514.75 for the Marana Park Reservoir project (WT046) and authorizing the Town Manager or designee to execute the necessary documents to effectuate the change order (Heidi Lasham)

C4 Approval of Regular Council Meeting Summary Minutes of May 6, 2025 (Jill McCleary)

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

## LIQUOR LICENSES

## BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

## COUNCIL ACTION

A1 Resolution No. 2025-042: Relating to Mayor and Council; establishing the compensation and vehicle and phone allowances for the elective officers of the Town; providing that the elective officers of the Town may choose a Town-issued phone in lieu of a phone allowance; and designating effective dates (Jane Fairall)

**Town Attorney Jane Fairall** presented this item. She stated the resolution sets monthly vehicle allowances at \$500 for the Mayor, \$400 for the Vice Mayor, and \$350 for Council Members, and that the existing phone allowance of \$125 per month will remain in place, with the option to receive a Town-issued phone as an alternative. **Ms. Fairall** indicated that in accordance with Arizona state law, any salary adjustments outlined in the resolution will take effect following the 2026 General Election.

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2025-042. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

A2 Resolution No. 2025-043: Related to Real Estate; authorizing the Mayor to sign an "Agreement for Purchase and Sale of Real Property and Escrow Instructions" with Marana Health Center, Inc.; and approving the transfer of up to \$1,004,000 in budgeted expenditure authority from the General Fund Contingency line item to the Land Acquisition line item for fiscal year 2024-2025 for acquisition and expenses related to the Marana Health Center, Inc. land acquisition (George Cardieri)

**Mr. Rozema** presented on this item and provided background on the agreement's history with the Marana Health Center. **Mayor Post** expressed support for the acquisition. **Council Member Cavanaugh** asked whether the parcel was contiguous with the planned downtown property and inquired about its intended use. **Mr. Rozema** responded that the Marana Aquatics & Recreation Center (MARC) property sits adjacent to the parcel and that the Council will determine the future use of the property. **Council Member Commerford** inquired about the parcel's size. **Mr. Rozema** said it was 3.1 acres.

*Council Member Cavanaugh moved to adopt Resolution No. 2025-043. Council Member Officer and Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

A3     Ordinance No. 2025.010: Relating to Finance; amending the Town of Marana Comprehensive Fee Schedule; and designating an effective date (Yiannis Kalaitzidis)

Resolution No. 2025-044: Relating to Finance; declaring as a public record filed with the Town Clerk the amendments to the Town of Marana Comprehensive Fee Schedule adopted by Ordinance No. 2025.010 (Yiannis Kalaitzidis)

**Mr. Kalaitzidis** presented on the proposed updates to the Town's comprehensive fee schedule. He indicated that the changes are not expected to result in any significant financial impact on residents or the Town. He noted that the updates would be effective on July 1, 2025.

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2025.010 and Resolution No. 2025-044. Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

A4     PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution No. 2025-045: Relating to Budget; adopting the fiscal year 2025-2026 tentative budget (Yiannis Kalaitzidis)

**Mayor Post** opened the public hearing at 6:57 PM

**Mr. Kalaitzidis** presented on the adoption of the FY 2025-2026 tentative budget of \$416.2 million. He noted revisions from the previously presented Manager's Recommended Budget. **Mr. Kalaitzidis** stated that the budget maintains a structurally balanced framework and reflects conservative revenue projections with key investments. He said that if the tentative budget was adopted, the public hearing for the final budget adoption will occur on June 17, 2025. No public comments were received during the public hearing. Please see the presentation slides for details regarding the presentation, including tables and graphical information. A copy of the presentation slides is on file with the Town Clerk's Office.

**Council Member Commerford** stated that she will continue advocating for providing Town employees with time off between Christmas and New Year's Day next year. **Vice Mayor Ziegler** noted that the annual payment for Town employees at the top of their pay range has increased, as have tuition reimbursement amounts. She also noted the reduction in the overall budget from fiscal year 2024-2025 to fiscal year 2025-2026.

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2025-045. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.*

The public hearing ended at 7:06 PM

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION**

D1 Relating to Legislation and Government Actions; discussion and possible action or direction regarding all pending state, federal, and local legislation/government actions and on recent and upcoming meetings of other governmental bodies (Terry Rozema)

**Mr. Rozema** reported that the Governor vetoed 58 bills since the last Council meeting. He noted the Governor vetoed the law enforcement defunding prohibition bill, which the Town had opposed. He also stated the state budget was still under negotiation.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03, the Town Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters.

E1 Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A), Council may ask for discussion or consideration, or consultation with designated Town representatives, or consultation for legal advice with the Town Attorney, concerning any matter listed on this agenda for any of the reasons listed in A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A).

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Notwithstanding the Mayor's discretion regarding the items to be placed on the agenda, if three or more Council members request that an item be placed on the agenda, it must be placed on the agenda for the second regular Town Council meeting after the date of the request, pursuant to Marana Town Code Section 2-4-2(B).

**Mayor Post** requested future agenda items. There were no requests for future agenda items from Council Members.

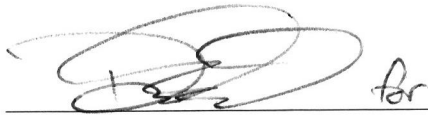
## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mayor Post** asked for a motion to adjourn.

*Council Member Kai moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed, 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.*

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the Marana Town Council meeting held on May 20, 2025. I further certify that a quorum was present.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jill McCleary", is written over a horizontal line.

Jill McCleary, Town Clerk

