



MARANA TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
11555 W. Civic Center Drive, Marana, Arizona 85653  
Council Chambers, May 5, 2026, 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 6:00 PM and directed the Town Clerk to call the roll. **Council Member Cavanaugh** and **Council Member Comerford** were absent. All other Council Members were present, constituting a quorum.

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

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Council Member Kai moved to approve the agenda as presented. Vice Mayor Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0.*

### CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Seven speakers addressed the Council, including **Colin Mellars, Sharon Foltz, David Seia, Jennifer Handlin, Dennis Shannon, Jackie McGuire, and Julie Prince**. Topics included environmental and development-related issues relating to a potential data center, including cooling methods, thermal impacts, public health considerations, and a noise level survey conducted at the Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery. One speaker also addressed tree preservation, air quality, and ecotourism opportunities. Additional speakers addressed the proposed Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention center and immigration detention practices; the fiscal year 2026/2027 budget process; Town revenue sources; support for the Marana Police Department; the air traffic control tower; and the Town's ethics code and nepotism provisions.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

P1 Proclamation Recognizing Public Works Week (Jill McCleary)

**Town Clerk Jill McCleary** read the proclamation as **Mayor Post** presented it to recipients from the Town of Marana's Public Works Department.

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

**Council Member Murphy** reported that several school functions had recently occurred and congratulated her niece on being selected as the University of Arizona student body president.

**Council Member Kai** wished **Council Member Cavanaugh** well and stated that **Council Member Cavanaugh** was receiving medical care after being bitten by a rattlesnake.

**Vice Mayor Ziegler** reported on the Marana Police Department awards ceremony and the Marana Unified School District's 100-year celebration. She also commented on police staffing and training. **Vice Mayor Ziegler** also stated that she had filed a police report regarding an incident that she said occurred in the parking lot after a prior meeting.

**Mayor Post** reported on the Marana Unified School District's 100-year celebration and commented on a Pima Resists I.C.E. (PRICE) protest that had occurred at his place of business and residence. **Mayor Post** also reported that he, **Vice Mayor Ziegler**, and Town staff visited several data centers in the Phoenix metropolitan area. **Mayor Post** and **Vice Mayor Ziegler** summarized their observations on the data centers, including noise, heat, proximity to nearby residential neighborhoods, and site design.

## MANAGER'S REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

**Deputy Town Manager Erik Montague** reported that the Town issued 102 single-family residential permits in April 2026, compared to 78 in April 2025. He stated that Parks and Recreation held a Wellness Expo at the Marana Aquatic & Recreation Center (MARC) for the facility's first anniversary. He also reported that testing for the decommissioning of the Ora Mae Harn pool was complete, no asbestos was found, and decommissioning was expected to be completed in early July. **Mr. Montague** stated that the El Rio Disc Golf Course and parking lot project had received permits, had approved plans, and was out to bid. He also reported that the annual Mother's Day 5K was scheduled at Gladden Farms Park and reminded the public and Council that security and lighting improvements at the Marana Municipal Complex were underway and expected to be completed in early June.

## PRESENTATIONS

### CONSENT AGENDA

C1 Resolution No. 2026-026 : Relating to Public Works; approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the State of Arizona and the Town of Marana for design review for the final design reconstruction of the rail crossing for Cortaro Farms Road interchange at Interstate 10 (Jane Fairall)

C2 Resolution No. 2026-027: Relating to Utilities; approving and authorizing the Mayor to sign (1) the Agreement Regarding Sewage Conveyance and Treatment Services between Pima County and the Town of Marana and (2) the Pima Association of Governments (PAG) 208 Plan DMA Boundary Revision, dated April 2, 2026, for the Marana Designated Management Agency (Mike Osborne)

C3 Approval of Regular Council Meeting Summary Minutes of April 21, 2026 (Jill McCleary)

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0.*

## LIQUOR LICENSES

## BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

## COUNCIL ACTION

A1 PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution No. 2026-028: Relating to Community and Neighborhood Services; approving and adopting the Town of Marana Plan Year 2026 Annual Action Plan for the Town of Marana Community Development Block Grant Program and authorizing the Town Manager to transmit the Annual Action Plan document to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (Lisa Shafer)

**Mayor Post** opened the public hearing at 6:47 PM.

**Community Services Coordinator Christine Byler**, presenting on behalf of **Community and Neighborhood Services Director Lisa Shafer**, presented the proposed Plan Year 2026 Annual Action Plan for the Town's Community Development Block Grant Program. Ms. Byler reviewed the annual plan requirements, the public participation process, the current-year program activity, and the proposed Plan Year 2026 funding allocations. She stated that the proposed allocation included funding for administration, utility assistance, home rehabilitation, and an ADA accessibility assessment for parks. A copy of the presentation slides is on file with the Town Clerk's Office. For more details, please see the presentation slides.

**Mayor Post** closed the public hearing at 6:52 PM.

*Council Member Kai moved to adopt Resolution No. 2026-028. Vice Mayor Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0.*

A2 Resolution No. 2026-029: Relating to Development; approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Vanderbilt Farms Development Agreement (Jane Fairall)

**Town Attorney Jane Fairall** presented the proposed Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Vanderbilt Farms Development Agreement for the development now known as Monarch, located across Barnett Road from the Marana Municipal Complex. **Ms. Fairall** stated that the amendment addressed reimbursement for Clark Farms Boulevard and the Clark Farms Sewer Interceptor. She explained that the developer would be reimbursed for eligible roadway improvements through development impact fee reimbursements and a portion of construction sales tax revenues generated from the Monarch development. She also stated that the proposed amendment addressed the revised sewer interceptor alignment and increased pipe size, and that staff would bring back a related amendment to the 2022 Sewer Infrastructure Improvements Plan.

**Mayor Post** asked whether the sewer line was being oversized for other development. **Ms. Fairall** responded that it was being built larger than what would have been needed for the development alone. **Mayor Post** also asked whether the road served traffic and development beyond the site. **Ms. Fairall** responded that Clark Farms Boulevard is a major regional roadway in north Marana. **Ms. Fairall** also stated that the proposed amendment would extend the development agreement term from June 2040 to June 2050.

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2026-029. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0.*

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION

D1 Relating to Development and Public Works; update, discussion, and possible direction regarding public and private projects and development applications on the Town's [Marana Current and Proposed Projects](#) internet site (Brett Wittenberg)

**Interim Director of Development Services Brett Wittenberg** provided an update on public and private projects and development applications in the Town, as currently listed on the above-referenced website.

**Vice Mayor Ziegler** asked about a timeline for GXO Logistics. **Mr. Wittenberg** responded that the applicant was currently in discussions with staff regarding tenant improvements and that he expected activity within the next couple of months.

D2 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)

**Deputy Town Manager Erik Montague** stated that there had been limited movement on bills while the state budget remained pending. He reported that the Legislature was advancing a budget expected to be vetoed, and he summarized key differences from the Governor's priorities, including proposed departmental cuts and tax reform. He stated that additional bills may move after the budget process continued.

D3 Relating to Budget; discussion, direction and possible action regarding development of fiscal year 2026/2027 budget, including proposed budget initiatives and expenditures (Terry Rozema)

**Mr. Montague** stated that the Town Manager's Recommended Budget was shared at the prior week's study session. He stated that the tentative budget approval was scheduled for May 19. There were no questions or comments from Council.

### **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.

*Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.*

### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the regular Town Council meeting held on May 5, 2026. I further certify that a quorum was present.



Jill McCleary, Town Clerk

