MARANA TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
11555 W. Civic Center Drive, Marana, Arizona 85653
Council Chambers, August 4, 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 Officer** was absent at roll call and arrived at 6:02 PM. 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 Cavanaugh moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 6-0, with Council Member Officer not yet present.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Two speakers addressed Council regarding the potential immigration detention facility in Marana. **Dennis Shannon** criticized the Council's response to concerns about the

facility, while **Bennett Burke** questioned the Town's due diligence regarding a Department of Homeland Security notice.

PROCLAMATIONS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Cavanaugh commended Public Works staff for preventive maintenance along Silverbell Road, including removal of accumulated silt beneath the bridges in Continental Ranch to help preserve drainage capacity during monsoon flows.

Council Member Comerford praised the Star-Spangled Spectacular event. She reflected on her years of service, the Town's growth, and the value of relationship-based civic engagement. She expressed appreciation for Town staff and the Marana Police Department and stated that she intended to continue sharing comments through the end of her term.

Council Member Officer thanked staff, especially those who cleaned the park following the Star-Spangled Spectacular, and thanked Marana residents who participated in the recent election.

Council Member Murphy praised staff for the Star-Spangled Spectacular, reported on activity at the Marana Aquatic and Recreation Center (MARC), and stated that Heritage Arena activities were expected to resume on the third Saturday of the month.

Council Member Kai thanked staff for their work on the Star-Spangled Spectacular and expressed appreciation for **Council Member Comerford**.

Vice Mayor Ziegler congratulated incumbent council members on the recent election and **Brett Wittenberg** on his appointment as Development Services Director. She responded to comments made during Call to the Public and invited residents to speak with Town staff and Council regarding the detention center in Marana.

Mayor Post thanked all candidates who ran for office in the recent Town election and recognized the time and effort required to seek public office.

MANAGER'S REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Town Manager Terry Rozema reported that 124 single-family residential permits were issued in July, compared with 51 in July 2025, and that 904 permits were issued during

fiscal year 2025-2026, compared with 970 during the prior fiscal year. He reported that the downtown project was moving forward, with design underway for the first three buildings and construction anticipated to start in approximately one year.

Mr. Rozema announced that the Town's Communications Division would receive two awards for projects they completed over the past year and reported that Livability.com named Marana the top engineering hub in the Southwest. He also announced staff appointments, including **Andrea De La Cruz** as Assistant Town Manager, **Julia Cramer** as Assistant to the Town Manager, **Anya Gorshkova** as Organizational Development Manager, **Brett Wittenberg** as Development Services Director, and **George Andros** as Real Property Manager, and again thanked staff for their work on the Star-Spangled Spectacular.

PRESENTATIONS

CONSENT AGENDA

C1 Ordinance No. 2026.013: Relating to Land Development; amending Town Code Title 17 (Land Development), Chapter 17-5 (Subdivisions); revising section 17-5-4 "Performance Guarantee" to provide for an administrative process for the Town's use of financial forms of assurance to construct subdivision improvements; and designating an effective date (Jane Fairall)

C2 Resolution No. 2026-049: Relating to Development; approving the Final Plat for Marana Air Commerce Park II, Lot 2 and Block "A-1", generally located on the north side of Avra Valley Road, approximately 0.70 miles east of the intersection of Avra Valley Road and Sandario Road; approving an amendment to the Town of Marana Five Year Capital Improvement Plan to add the Marana Air Commerce Park Drainage Channel project to the plan for fiscal year 2027-2028 (Austin Shreffler)

C3 Resolution No. 2026-050: Relating to Development; re-designating and reclassifying certain Town-owned drainageway located within the Cascada II subdivision located east of I-10 and north of Twin Peaks Road as right-of-way (Jane Fairall)

C4 Resolution 2026-051: Relating to the Police Department; approving and authorizing the Chief of Police to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the State of Arizona Department of Public Safety and the Town of Marana regarding the administration, funding, and operation of the Arizona Vehicle Theft Task Force (Jeffrey Pridgett)

C5 Resolution 2026-052: Relating to the Police Department; approving and authorizing the Chief of Police to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Gang and Immigration Intelligence Team Enforcement Mission (GIITEM) State Gang Task Force between the Town of Marana Police Department and the State of Arizona through its Department of Public Safety (AZDPS) (Jeffrey Pridgett)

C6 Resolution 2026-053: Relating to the Police Department; approving and authorizing the Chief of Police to execute the memorandum of understanding regarding the eTrace internet based firearm tracing application between the Marana Police Department (MPD) and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF) for access and utilization of eTrace services (Jeffrey Pridgett)

C7 Resolution No. 2026-054: Relating to Traffic and Highways; approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Town of Marana Dark Fiber Services License Agreement issued to MMR Fiber Solutions, LLC (Jane Fairall)

C8 Resolution No. 2026-055: Relating to Traffic and Highways; approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the Town of Marana Dark Fiber Services License Agreement issued to Bicentel, LLC (Jane Fairall)

C9 Approval of the Regular and Special Council Meeting Summary Minutes of June 16, 2026 (Jill McCleary)

Council Member Kai moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

LIQUOR LICENSES

L1 Relating to Liquor Licenses; recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control regarding an application for an acquisition of control series #12 Restaurant liquor license submitted by Qiuying Dong on behalf of Kirin Asian Bistro & Sushi Bar, located at 5884 West Arizona Pavilions Drive, Tucson, Arizona, 85743 (Jill McCleary)

Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to submit to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control an order recommending approval of an acquisition of control series #12 Restaurant liquor license submitted by Qiuying Dong on behalf of Kirin Asian Bistro & Sushi Bar. Council Member Cavanaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

L2 Relating to Liquor Licenses; recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control regarding an application for a new series #12 Restaurant

liquor license submitted by Andrea Dahlman Lewkowitz on behalf of Chipotle Mexican Grill #5674, located at 11302 West Tangerine Road, Marana, Arizona, 85653 (Jill McCleary)

Council Member Kai moved to submit to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control an order recommending approval of an application for a new series #12 Restaurant liquor license submitted by Andrea Dahlman Lewkowitz on behalf of Chipotle Mexican Grill #5674. Vice Mayor Ziegler seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

COUNCIL ACTION

A1 Resolution No. 2026-056: Relating to Development; amending the 2022 Wastewater Facilities Infrastructure Improvements Plan supporting development impact fees for wastewater facilities and the 2022 Water Infrastructure, Water Resources, and Water Reclamation Impact Fee Report by revising the size, alignment, and/or cost of two gravity pipe projects and shifting the anticipated development impact fee funding among the projects without changing the amount of the wastewater facilities impact fees or the level of service (Mike Osborne)

Water Deputy Director Mike Osborne presented proposed amendments to two wastewater gravity-pipe projects identified in the 2022 Infrastructure Improvement Plan. He explained that the changes would revise the alignment and size of the Stingray Road interceptor and Clark Farms sewer projects and shift funding between the projects. The amendments would increase capacity for future development, coordinate construction with Clark Farms Boulevard and the Barnett Channel, and would not increase wastewater infrastructure impact fees.

Council Member Cavanaugh asked whether the revised alignments would maintain sufficient gravity flow and whether future phases would require lift stations or pumps. **Mr. Osborne** responded that the proposed alignment and sizing would be sufficient for building out the North Marana designated management area and noted that future lift stations were planned in other areas.

Council Member Cavanaugh also asked for target start and completion dates. **Mr. Osborne** stated that the schedule would be coordinated with the Monarch development, the Clark Farms Boulevard extension, and the Barnett Channel project, but exact dates were not yet available.

Vice Mayor Ziegler asked when construction of Barnett Channel would begin so the projects could be coordinated. **Mr. Osborne** deferred to **Public Works Director Fausto Burruel**, who stated that the design concept report was nearing completion, final design was expected to take approximately one year, and construction was intended to follow as soon as practicable.

Council Member Kai moved to adopt Resolution No. 2026-056. Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

A2 Resolution No. 2026-057: Relating to Elections; declaring and adopting the results of the Town of Marana primary election held on July 21, 2026 (Jill McCleary)

Town Clerk Jill McCleary stated that the Town had received the official canvass for the primary election from Pima County and that, under Arizona law, the Town was required to enter it on the record.

Vice Mayor Ziegler moved to adopt Resolution No. 2026-057. Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

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)

Development Services Director 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 requested additional information on the air traffic control tower schedule and funding. **Public Works Director Fausto Burruel** stated that the project was being fast-tracked and was expected to reach final design by October 31, 2026. He stated that the Town would continue working with the Federal Aviation Administration on grant funding and that completion was targeted for the end of calendar year 2028.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Mayor Post asked for a motion to go into executive session for Items E2 and E3.

Council Member Cavanaugh moved to go into executive session on items E2 and E3. Council Member Officer seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

[An executive session was held on Items E2 and E3 below, beginning at 6:53 PM and concluding at 7:17 PM.]

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).

E2 Executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (4) for discussion or consultation with the Town's attorneys and to instruct the Town's representatives concerning the pending litigation, and settlement discussions to resolve litigation, in Unrein v. Town of Marana, et al., Pima County Superior Court case number C20254246.

E3 Executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (4) for discussion or consultation with the Town's attorneys and to instruct the Town's representatives concerning the pending litigation, and settlement discussions to resolve litigation, in Town of Marana v. Barker Contracting, Inc., et al., Pima County Superior Court case number C20236109.

After returning to open session, Council Member Comerford moved to direct staff to proceed as discussed in Executive Session E2. Council Member Kai seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

Council Member Cavanaugh moved to direct staff and attorneys to proceed as discussed in Executive Session E3. Council Member Murphy seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0.

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. Council Member Cavanaugh seconded the motion. Motion passed, 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the regular Town Council meeting held on August 4, 2026. I further certify that a quorum was present.

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Jill McCleary, Town Clerk

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