

**SUMMARY REPORT
OF COUNCIL ACTION TAKEN AT THE APRIL 7, 2009, REGULAR MEETING**

This summary is a statement of legal actions taken by the Cottonwood City Council at a regular meeting pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(D), and is being provided as required by A.R.S. § 38-431.01(D.).

Council Members Present: Mayor Diane Joens, Vice Mayor Karen Pfeifer, Council Members Tim Elinski, Duane Kirby, Linda Norman. Council Member Terence Pratt was absent.

Mayor Joens called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PROCLAMATIONS—American Cancer Society Relay for Life Day; Substance Abuse Awareness Month; Water Awareness Month

Mayor Joens declared April 24, 2009 as American Cancer Society Relay for Life Day; the month of April 2009 as Substance Abuse Awareness Month; and April 2009 as Water Awareness Month in Cottonwood.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO DR. BOB RICHARDS

A certificate of appreciation was presented by the Mayor and Council to Dr. Robert Richards for his volunteer services to the city.

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES TO FORMER PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEMBERS JIM BOSTWICK AND JIM WIXOM AND TO CIVIC CENTER RENOVATION COMMITTEE PRESIDENT, JANET BASER

A plaque was presented to Jim Wixom in appreciation of his years of volunteer service on the Parks and Recreation Commission. In their absence, plaques for Jim Bostwick and Janet Baser would be presented to them at a future meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES—Work Session of March 10, 2009, Special Joint Work Session of March 12, 2009, and Regular Meeting of March 17, 2009

The Council unanimously approved the minutes of the work session of 3/10/09 with one typographical correction. The minutes of the special joint work session of 3/12/09 were unanimously approved with two elaborations, and the minutes of the regular meeting of 3/17/09 were unanimously approved without corrections.

PRESENTATION AND EXPLANATION OF THE “HOME RULE” GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT QUESTION BY FINANCE DIRECTOR, RUDY RODRIGUEZ

Finance Director Rodriguez gave a Power Point presentation on the alternative expenditure limitation (Home Rule). He discussed the financial consequences of both options and the expenditure differences resulting from each of the two methods as well as the consequences to city services should Home Rule not be approved by the voters.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—None

CONSENT AGENDA—The following items are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or a citizen so requests, in which case the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda

APPROVAL OF PAY APPLICATION NUMBER 19 FOR THE LIBRARY EXPANSION PROJECT

The Council unanimously approved Pay Application No. 19 from Flagstaff Design & Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$73,790.97 for the library expansion project for work completed last November and December.

APPROVAL OF PAY APPLICATION NUMBER 6 FOR THE AIRFIELD ELECTRIC UPGRADE PROJECT AT THE COTTONWOOD AIRPORT

The Council unanimously approved Pay Application No. 6 from Rural Electric in the amount of \$35,602.20 for the Airfield Electric Upgrade project for work completed in February.

APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL EVENT LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY BUENA VISTA CHILDREN'S SERVICES FOR A FUNDRAISING EVENT SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 25, 2009, AT RIVERFRONT PARK

The Council unanimously approved a request for a Special Event Liquor License submitted by Buena Vista Children's Services for a fundraising event at Riverfront Park on April 25, 2009.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2434—MAKING KNOWN THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLE OF FAIR HOUSING AND DESCRIBING ACTIONS IT SHALL UNDERTAKE TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING

The Council unanimously approved Resolution Number 2434 which declares April as Fair Housing Month in Cottonwood and affirms the City's commitment to support Fair Housing programs and principles.

NEW BUSINESS—The following items are for Council discussion, consideration, and possible legal action

APPROVAL OF THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES RELATING TO THE NEW UTILITY DEPARTMENT COMPLEX DESIGN PROJECT

The Council tabled this item for further discussion at a special meeting scheduled for April 9, 2009.

AWARD OF BID FOR AN UNDERGROUND JOB ORDER CONTRACTING BID FOR ARSENIC

REMEDATION EQUIPMENT PIPING MODIFICATIONS FOR WELL SITES 4-1, 4-2, AND 6-2

The Council voted 5-1 to award an underground piping job order contracting bid for arsenic remediation equipment piping modifications at well sites 4-1, 4-2, and 6-2 to Tiffany Construction, Inc. for \$13,652. Vice Mayor Pfeifer dissented.

APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE TO CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES FOR THE NEW RECREATION CENTER

The Council unanimously agreed to approve an agreement with Arizona Public Service to construct electrical distribution facilities for the new Recreation Center in the amount of \$48,413.

APPROVAL OF GRANTING THREE UTILITY EASEMENTS TO ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC POWER TO THE NEW TRANSIT CENTER

The Council unanimously approved granting three easements to Arizona Public Service to allow them to bring power to the new transit facility located off West Mingus Avenue.

REQUEST FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT TO INCREASE THE FEES FOR DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE AT THE COTTONWOOD WASTE TRANSFER STATION

The Council unanimously approved a request from Waste Management, Inc., to increase dumping rates at the solid waste transfer station effective June 1, 2009.

APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COTTONWOOD COMMUNITY GARDEN, LLC., FOR THE COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT AT RIVERFRONT PARK

The Council unanimously approved the Memorandum of Understanding pertaining to the Cottonwood Community Gardens LLC (CCG) project, which sets out the direction and scope of the project.

REJECTION OF ALL BIDS RECEIVED ON DECEMBER 30, 2008, FOR CITY FACILITIES WASTE REMOVAL SERVICES

The Council unanimously approved rejecting all bids received for waste removal at city buildings and not to seek further bids until consideration of recycling opportunities and services had been considered.

APPROVAL OF SUBMITTING AN ARIZONA AUTOMOBILE THEFT AUTHORITY GRANT APPLICATION FOR A VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ETCHING MACHINE & EVENTS

The Council unanimously approved submittal of a request to the Arizona Automobile Theft Authority for a grant in the amount of \$10,461 to pay for overtime and the acquisition of new VIN etching equipment to help reduce auto thefts and increase recovery rates of stolen

vehicles.

APPROVAL OF SUBMITTING A BYRNE JAG GRANT APPLICATION FOR FUNDS TO UPDATE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The Council unanimously approved submittal of a request for a Byrne JAG grant application in the amount of \$25,735 to be utilized to update police department computer information systems.

COUNCIL RECOGNITION OF RETIRING BOARDS AND COMMISSION MEMBERS, PROCEDURE, AND BUDGET

Discussion was held to consider implementing a policy to recognize members who have served their full terms on Council appointed commissions and boards. It was determined that procedures will be drawn up for approval at a later meeting.

WATER AWARENESS MONTH AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COUNCIL TO INTERFACE WITH THE COMMUNITY REGARDING CONSERVATION MEASURES, PROGRAMS, AND SEMINARS

The Council discussed the opportunities for its members to participate in volunteer projects and activities which promote April as Water Awareness Month in Cottonwood.

CLAIMS & ADJUSTMENTS

The Council unanimously approved paying the claims and adjustments as submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.