

SUMMARY MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COTTONWOOD CITY COUNCIL HELD NOVEMBER 19,
2013, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING, 826 N. MAIN STREET,
COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

This summary is a statement of action 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, Jesse Dowling, Randy Garrison, Ruben Jauregui, and Terence Pratt.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES—REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2013

The council unanimously approved the minutes as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2724—APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

The council unanimously approved Resolution Number 2724, appointing Ryan Young, Jasmine Banks, Kayle Gordon, and Kirsten Conover and Gabrielle Makuch as new members of the commission, and re-appointing Charles Novak, Shaylor Dowling, Parker Kleck, Rachel Valentine, Carrington Midkiff, Wyatt Midkiff, Sirilale Saengsawang, Krista Earl, and Marshall Shill. The council also approved the appointment of Kirsten Jones as the adult representative to the commission.

ADJOURNMENT

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

SUMMARY MINUTES
OF THE JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE COTTONWOOD CITY COUNCIL AND COTTONWOOD YOUTH COMMISSION HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2013, AT 7:30 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING, 826 N. MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.

This summary is a statement of action taken by the Cottonwood City Council at a Joint Work Session 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, Jesse Dowling, Randy Garrison, Ruben Jauregui, and Terence Pratt.

Items the Youth Commission Requested be Discussed:

PRIVATE SECTOR BUSINESSES–The local movie theatre closed and there is not much in the private sector locally for youth to take advantage of.

Solutions suggested by Youth Commission: Develop stipulations for future commercial growth that developers must provide some sort of element that pertains to youth in the final product. Identify possible commercial property and deem it as high priority for youth development. Partner with local businesses to provide teen programs.

The council suggested Mr. Harkins be contacted and encouraged to build a movie theatre in Cottonwood, and the city's economic development director would be asked to keep an eye out for potential businesses that pertain to youth and families.

ELECTIVES AT MINGUS UNION HIGH SCHOOL–Mingus has to cut electives to meet budget restraints which are diminishing opportunities for growth with local youth.

Solutions suggested by Youth Commission: Develop a partnership between Yavapai College and MUHS for classes to be taught at MUHS during school hours, and provide electives at a marginal price to students, with credits applying both to MUHS and Yavapai College.

It was suggested the commission meet with Dr. Paul Tighe to discuss their concerns and suggestions, contact the Yavapai College advisor that was on the MUHS campus, and looking into the course offered by the college called Career and Personal Development that would be helpful to students.

MARIJUANA/ALCOHOL USE RISING–Media targeted towards youth are glorifying the use of these products and producing a rising user amounts.

Solutions suggested by Youth Commission: Work with MatForce to provide their program called "Marijuana Harmless? Think again," and having a celebrity talk to kids about the subject.

It was suggested that commission representatives attend MatForce meetings and partner with MatForce for possible funding for youth activities. and commission members acting as role models for their peers.

WHAT WOULD THE COUNCIL LIKE TO SEE FROM THE COMMISSION?

It was suggested the commission work with the Verde Valley Youth Commission to provide input for the proposed teen center and let their peers know about the center.

ADJOURNMENT

The joint work session adjourned at 8:35 p.m.