

**SUMMARY MINUTES**  
**OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COTTONWOOD CITY COUNCIL HELD JULY 17, 2012, AT 4:00 P.M., AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS BUILDING, 826 NORTH MAIN STREET, COTTONWOOD, ARIZONA.**

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This summary is a statement of action taken by the Cottonwood City Council at a Special 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 Jesse Dowling, Tim Elinski, Ruben Jauregui, Linda Norman

**Council Members Absent:** Terence Pratt.

Upon a public majority vote of the members constituting a quorum, the Council may hold an executive session with regard to items III and IV which is not open to the public for the following purposes: *A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)–Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body; A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4)–Discussion or consultation with the attorney of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its attorney regarding the public body’s position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation.*

DISCUSSION AND UPDATE OF ONGOING LITIGATION AND SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS IN THE GILA RIVER ADJUDICATION

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO A POTENTIAL EXPANSION OF THE CITY’S WATER SERVICE AREA AND A POSSIBLE CONTRACT OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION REGARDING ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY RELATED TO THE WATER SERVICE AREA

Mayor Joens read the executive session citation listed above.

Council Member Dowling moved to convene into executive session. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norman, and carried unanimously.

After discussion under executive session of the two agenda items with David Brown, Esq., Mayor Joens moved to reconvene into special session. The motion was seconded by Council Member Dowling, and carried unanimously.

The Council held no discussion nor took any action when it reconvened into special session.

ADJOURNMENT

The special meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.