



Minutes
Work Study Session
Queen Creek Town Council
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road
Council Chambers
January 18, 2006
5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Council Members present: Barney; Coletto-Cohen; Hildebrandt; Holloway; Valenzuela; Vice Mayor Wootten and Mayor Feldman-Kerr.

3. Motion to adjourn to Executive Session

A. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7) the Council may vote to go into Executive Session for discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

B. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body in regard to a development agreement.

C. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) the Council may vote to go into Executive Session for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney(s) of the public body concerning any item on the agenda for the January 18,2006 Work Study or Regular Session Council Meeting.

Motion: Coletto-Cohen

Second: Wootten

To adjourn to Executive Session at 5:03 p.m.

Vote: Unanimous

The Work Study Session reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION These items are for Council discussion only and no action will be taken. In general, no public comment will be taken.

4. Discussion on the enhancement of broadband and telecommunication services throughout the Town of Queen Creek.

IT Manager Lester Godsey reviewed the study and recommendations from the Town's consultant, Municipal Consultants and staff for Option 3 of the Telecommunications & Broadband Strategic Plan. There was discussion on the possibility of a public/private enterprise similar to the City of Tempe.

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5. Discussion on equipment standards for the construction of signalized roadway intersections.

CIP Program Manager Terry Fawley gave a presentation on several styles of traffic signal components for Council to consider as standard for intersections other than the Town Center. Components include the pole, street name sign and mast arm. Mr. Fawley presented several different examples of traffic signals in other municipalities. Mr. Fawley also discussed factors to consider in selecting a standard including the cost; delivery lead time; interchangeable equipment and overall appearance of traffic signal. Staff recommended the ADOT style pole/mast with brown paint and illuminated street sign.

Council discussed maintenance requirements for pre-painted poles vs. site painted.

6. Discussion on proposed a proposed amendment to the Queen Creek Town Code Chapter 9, Noise, regarding noise and barking dogs.

Community Development Director Tom Condit reviewed the proposed amendments that would allow golf course maintenance to begin at 4:30 a.m. during the summer months; strengthen the current daytime noise language and allow complaints regarding barking dogs to be enforced by a court if necessary. Council discussed their concerns with the barking dog section regarding passing on sidewalks/public streets. Council requested some clarification on who would determine the penalty for violations. Town Attorney Bisman explained that the Town would need to make an initial determination of a violation, but a judge would decide on any penalties. Town Manager Cynthia Seelhammer added that before a case was referred to the courts, there would be an attempt at neighbor meetings and/or arbitration. Ms. Bisman stated that the amendment was aimed at situations that can't be resolved or safety of individuals was compromised. Staff stated that the proposed amendments were reviewed by the Town Prosecutor who recommended that two complainants be required in order to be referred to court. There was further discussion on habitual and continual noise from barking dogs and barking because of a one-time incident such as coyotes or train. Council also recommended that the noise restrictions be consistent with the construction noise ordinance and golf course maintenance hours should be changed to commence at 5am.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Coletto-Cohen

Second: Wootten

To adjourn the Work Study Session at 6:55 p.m.

Vote: Unanimous

Jennifer F. Robinson, CMC

TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Wendy Feldman-Kerr, Mayor

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Attest:

Jennifer F. Robinson, CMC

I, Jennifer F. Robinson, do hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the January 18, 2006 Work Study Session of the Queen Creek Town Council. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Jennifer F. Robinson, CMC

Passed and approved on February 15, 2006.