



Minutes
Regular Session
Queen Creek Town Council
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road
Council Chambers
October 2, 2013
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

2. Roll Call (one or more members of the Council may participate by telephone)

Council Members present: Barnes; Benning; Brown; Gad; Wheatley; Vice Mayor Oliphant and Mayor Barney.

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Council Member Wheatley

4. Invocation: A moment of silence was held.

5. Ceremonial Matters: Presentations, Proclamations, Awards, Guest Introductions and Announcements.

A. Operation Wounded Warrior – announcement: Council Member Barnes announced the 9th Annual Operation Wounded Warrior Ride, departing on Thursday October 3rd at 8:00a.m. to ride to Balboa Naval Hospital in San Diego to deliver comfort packs to soldiers. Mr. Barnes reported that the American Legion Duane Ellsworth Post 129 had received over \$8,000 in goods and supplies from local businesses.

B. Recognition of Cody Goble, Fire Engineer: Mayor Barney presented Mr. Goble with a certificate in appreciation for saving a small child from drowning while on a trip to Texas.

C. Recognition of Ramona Simpson, Trash & Recycling Division for receiving the Valley Forward Environmental Excellence Award: Vice Mayor Oliphant recognized Ramona Simpson, Solid Waste & Environmental Program Manager, for the Town's Award from Arizona Forward Merit for Environmental Education and Communication for the "Do More Blue Jeans" curbside textile collection program.

6. Committee Reports

A. Council summary reports on meetings and/or conferences attended. This may include but is not limited to Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport; MAG; East Valley Partnership; CAG. The Council will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

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Council Member Benning reported on his attendance at the CAG meeting on September 25th. Discussion items included membership dues & assessments.

Vice Mayor Oliphant reported on the following events she attended:

- Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce 4th Annual Awards Dinner on September 19th
- Queen Creek Boys & Girls Club “Day for Kids” on September 21st
- Tour of the Center for Entrepreneurial Innovation (CEI), a business incubator at the Gateway College campus in Phoenix.
- Queen Creek Relay for Life on September 28th at Queen Creek High School

Mayor Barney reported on the following meetings & events he attended:

- Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) – September 24th
- Citizen Leadership Institute orientation – September 24th
- Maricopa Association of Governments – Regional Council – September 25th
- San Tan Memorial Gardens ribbon cutting & dedication – September 28th
- Municipal Tax Code Commission – September 20th

B. Partner agencies quarterly or periodic updates to Council. This may include but is not limited to Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce; Queen Creek Performing Arts Center; Boys & Girls Club of East Valley; and Maricopa or Pinal County Board of Supervisors or other governmental agencies. The Council will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

None.

C. Town Center Committee – October 2, 2013: Vice Mayor Oliphant reported on the Committee’s discussion on the Town’s CIP program & projects; the future dog park and updates on Town Center projects & businesses. The next meeting is November 13, 2013.

7. Public Comment: Members of the public may address the Town Council on items not on the printed agenda and during Public Hearings. Please complete a “Request to Speak Card”, located on the table at the rear of the Council Chambers and turn it in to the Town Clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting. There is a time limit of three minutes for comments.

None.

8. Consent Calendar: Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. Public Hearing items are designated with an asterisk (*). Prior to consideration of the Consent Agenda, the Mayor will ask whether any member of the public wishes to remove a Public Hearing item for separate consideration. Members of the Council and or staff may remove any item for separate consideration.

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A. Consideration and possible approval of the September 18, 2013 Town Council meeting minutes.

B. Consideration and possible approval of expenditures over \$25,000:

1. Arizona Office Technologies – copier/printer lease, purchase & service: \$59,000
(budgeted Fy13/14)

C. Consideration and possible approval of a Work Order to CPC Construction, Inc. (Town Contract #2011-082) in the amount not to exceed \$105,774 for the construction of the library access road improvements. *(Budgeted in FY13/14)*

D. Consideration and possible approval of a Special Event Liquor License application submitted by Our Lady of Guadalupe Church for a fundraising event to be held at the church property on November 17, 2013 from 12p.m. – 4:00p.m.

Council requested Item C removed for discussion.

Motion to approve remainder of Consent Calendar as presented:

1st: Brown

2nd: Gad

VOTE: Unanimous

Item C: Public Works Division Manager Troy White presented the staff report and request for construction approval of the roadway from Victoria to the library site. Mr. White stated that this project was approved by Council in January 2013 as part of the \$10 million CIP project and staff was waiting for the end of construction on the community. Mr. White explained how the access road would provide additional egress/ingress to the library from southbound traffic on the Ellsworth Loop Road. Council asked whether Victoria would be closed and the construction time. Mr. White responded that there would be one lane restrictions but remain open and the project would take approximately 30 days to complete. Council also requested that a barricade of some type be installed at the “future access” point.

Motion to approve Item C as presented:

1st: Barnes

2nd: Benning

VOTE: Unanimous

PUBLIC HEARINGS: If you wish to speak to the Council on an item listed as a Public Hearing, please complete a Request to Speak Card and turn it in to the Town Clerk. Speakers will be called upon in the order in which their cards are received. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes each.

None.

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FINAL ACTION: If you wish to speak to the Council on an item listed under Final Action, please complete a Request to Speak Card and turn it in to the Town Clerk. Speakers will be called upon in the order in which their cards are received. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes each.

9. Discussion and possible action on the 2014-2018 Corporate Strategic Plan.

Town Manager John Kross gave an overview of the five-year rolling plan that includes 10 Key Result Areas (KRA's) and associated goals within each area. Mr. Kross reported on the status of the Council Retreat Action Plan and incorporating that information into a Key Result Area, unless already completed. He also said that many issues relate to build-out population and services.

Mr. Kross provided a contrast between the Town's first Land Use Map adopted in 1990 showing Medium Density Residential was 2-6 dwelling units per acre and a 35 sq. mile planning area with a build-out population of 136,000 to the current Land Use Map of 75 sq. miles and build-out population of 95,000. He pointed out that the current Land Use Map and Town Center Plan has stayed very close to the 1990 vision. Mr. Kross gave a few development statistics from the past 25 years, indicating that there is not very much un-planned areas left.

Mr. Kross continued reviewing suggested amendments to the Corporate Strategic Plan including a new section for long-term policy initiatives and amendments to Infrastructure Maintenance, Parks Planning and Development; Image/Identity; Internal Services and Public Safety.

Council discussed the pros and cons of having a long-term policy initiative section; importance of historical information; sustainability of infrastructure and amenities for a quality community as well as the costs for providing them and limited funding options.

Motion to direct the Town Manager to make the necessary updates and amendments to the 2014-2019 Corporate Strategic Plan and schedule further review and possible adoption of the amended plan at an upcoming meeting of the Town Council:

1st: Brown
2nd: Oliphant
VOTE: Unanimous

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

10. Discussion on annexation policy regarding water/wastewater improvements. (If necessary)

None.

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11. Motion to adjourn to Executive Session: The Council may reconvene the Executive Session for any of the items listed on the Work Study Executive Session Agenda.

None

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:14p.m.

TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Gail Barney, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer F. Robinson, MMC

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 October 2, 2013 Regular 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, MMC

Passed and approved on October 16, 2013.