



MINUTES
WORK STUDY SESSION
QUEEN CREEK PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
Virtual Meeting
March 24, 2021

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:52 p.m.

2. Roll Call: One or more members of the Commission may participate by telephone.

Troy Young	Chair	Present via WebEx
David Gillette	Vice Chair	Present via WebEx
Matt McWilliams	Commissioner	Present via Web Ex
Alex Matheson	Commissioner	Present via WebEx
Bill Smith	Commissioner	Present via WebEx
Steve Sossaman	Commissioner	Present via WebEx
Lea Spall	Commissioner	Present via WebEx

3. Items for Discussion: These items are for Commission discussion only and no action will be taken. In general, no public comment will be taken.

A. Queen Creek Police Department Update (Chief Brice)

Queen Creek Police Chief Randy Brice introduced himself and provided a brief background of his police career over the past thirty years. He explained the process on what is needed to start a new police department, the department's vision, and a timeline of major milestones. Chief Brice gave a brief overview of tasks that have been accomplished or are currently in progress:

- Purchasing of vehicles, radios, uniforms and equipment
- Hiring process, recruitment efforts and background testing – majority will be hired by July 2021
- Transition training developed uniquely for Queen Creek and lateral hires
- Overview of public outreach, partnerships and meetings attended
- Policy development and policy manuals
- IGA and contract management
- Department branding and communication efforts
- Record management software

Chief Brice explained community policing and the importance of building trust with the public and his staff. He outlined public expectations for police departments and explained stratified policing which involves using methodologies, data and partnerships to achieve a proactive approach to solve problems and reduce crime. He said the transition from Maricopa County Sheriff Office (MCSO) to Queen Creek Police Department is expected to start in mid-January 2022.

The Commission thanked MCSO for their service to Queen Creek and they hope that some of them will apply to work for Queen Creek. They congratulated Chief Brice and said they are very excited for the new Queen Creek Police Department.

4. **Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn

1st: Smith

2nd: Matheson

Approved unanimously (7-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Troy Young, Chair

ATTEST:

Joy Maglione, Deputy Town Clerk

I, Joy Maglione, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Work Study Session Minutes of the March 24, 2021 Work Study Session of the Queen Creek Planning Commission. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Passed and approved on: April 14, 2021