



Minutes
Regular Session
Queen Creek Town Council
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road
Council Chambers
March 3, 2010
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:25pm.

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

Council Members present: Barnes; Benning; Brown; Hildebrandt (via telephone); Wootten; Vice Mayor Mortensen and Mayor Sanders.

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Nash Garrett – Troop 928 Patrol Leader

4. Invocation: Pastor Augie Iadicicco, Saving Grace Lutheran Church

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

None.

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; CAAG. 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.

Vice Mayor Mortensen reported on his attendance at the GPEC meeting on March 3 that focused on the aerospace industry. He said three components are vital to attracting aerospace businesses: collaboration; educated workforce and an enhanced, cooperative Arizona Legislative body.

B. Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee – February 16, 2010: Parks & Recreation Director Debbie Gomez reported on the Committee's discussion on alternative conceptual drawings of the East Park as part of the General Plan Amendment GP09-58/RZ09-60 (Barney Farms) and decision to not recommend any alternative plans. The Committee discussed concerns about residential development directly adjacent to a park planned for local, state and regional tournaments and too many unknown factors on a park redesign. The next meeting is April 13, 2010.

C. Economic Development Commission – February 24, 2010: EDC Chair John Schroeder reported on the Commission's review and discussion on the Town's branding initiative;

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preliminary discussion on the Town Center Committee's recommendations for updating the Town Center Plan relative to a Mixed-Use definition; and the Town Center S.W.O.T. results regarding the main employment areas. The Commission also recommended approval for an update to the Wastewater Master Plan. The next meeting is March 24, 2010.

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.

A. Consideration and possible approval of the February 3, 2010 Work Study and Regular Session Minutes.

B. Consideration and possible approval of the February 17, 2010 Work Study and Regular Session Minutes.

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

D. Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution 830-10** the Notice of Hearing on Improvement District #001 assessments pursuant to state statutes for recapitulation of costs and expenses of the construction of improvements.

E. Consideration and possible approval of a contract amendment in the amount of \$3,500 to Sunrise Engineering (Contract 2008-81) for additional design modifications to the South Ellsworth Sewer (Cloud Road to Hunt Hwy) project.

F. Consideration and possible approval of the appointment of Alexander Matheson, Gregory Arrington and Kimberly Mlazgar to the Transportation Advisory Committee.

G. Consideration and possible approval of authorizing the hiring of a Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre Manager and the appropriate budget authority.

H. Consideration and possible approval of additional capital items from FY09/10 CIP, including the appropriate budget transfers for Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre.

***I. Public Hearing and possible approval of RZ07-099/SD-07-100 "Barney 20" – Ordinance 477-10** a request by Greg Davis of Iplan Consulting for a rezoning from R1-43 to R1-43 PAD and preliminary plat approval for Barney 20, a 16 lot residential subdivision on +/- 20 acres. The property is located at the northwest corner of Queen Creek and Signal Butte Roads.

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Consent Calendar Items G, H & I were removed for discussion.

Motion to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar as presented
(Brown/Barnes/Unanimous)

Item G & H (discussed together): Mayor Sanders commended the Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre staff for the facilities success and announced the upcoming Family Rodeo on April 17.

Motion to approve Items G & H as presented (Sanders/Mortensen)

There was discussion on sending the request for additional funding to the Budget Committee and residents being uninformed of the request if they weren't in attendance at the meeting. There was also a request that funding requests over \$250,000 not be listed on the consent calendar.

Motion to send Items G & H to the Budget Committee (Brown/Barnes)

There was additional discussion on moving forward with the proposed capital improvements to Horseshoe Park and hiring a full-time manager prior to the prime season for booking events at the facility. Discussion also included the possibility of holding additional public meetings and the possible delay of other park improvements. Staff as questioned whether there would be a delay in building any parks if the additional funding was provided for Horseshoe Park. Mr. Kross explained that no additional parks within the 5-Park Masterplan will be under design for the next 5-7 years.

Additional discussion was in regard to the economic development opportunities associated with Horseshoe Park; providing park amenities to all residents and total funding for the capital improvements to Horseshoe Park.

Council Member Brown withdrew his motion to send the requests to the Budget Committee.

Motion to continue Items G & H to the March 17, 2010 Council Meeting – Public Hearing
(Brown/Wootten/Unanimous)

Item I: Staff received a request from the applicant for a continuance to the April 21, 2010 Council Meeting.

Motion to continue Item I to the April 21, 2010 Council Meeting
(Benning/Brown/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 directing the Town Manager to proceed with submitting a Request for Information (RFI) for the Google Fiber for Communities project.

IT Division Manager Lester Godsey provided an overview of the Google Fiber for Communities project and recommended that the Town partner with the Town of Florence to provide a wider consumer base for Google. Mr. Godsey also briefly reviewed the Town's broadband/fiber to the home project. Council said the project would work well with the branding initiative.

Motion to proceed with submitting a Request for Information for the Google Fiber for Communities project (Mortensen/Barnes/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.

None.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.

TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Arthur M. Sanders, 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 March 3, 2010 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 March 17, 2010