



**Minutes**  
**Regular Session**  
**Queen Creek Town Council**  
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road  
Council Chambers  
April 6, 2011  
7:00 p.m.

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Barney called the meeting to order at 7:11pm.

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

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

**3. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Vice Mayor Barnes.

**4. Invocation:** Pastor Ron Nelson, Life Link 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.

Council Member Benning reported on the Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG) Regional Council meeting on March 23. Issues and topics discussed included the FY10 CAAG Audit and approval of the Transportation Improvement Program. Amending the CAAG bylaws to allow non-elected officials to serve on the Council was discussed, with the decision to leave the bylaws as is. The next meeting is May 11 in Marana.

Mayor Barney reported on the following:

- Maricopa Association of Governments-March 30: The Council heard a presentation and update on the Freight Transportation Framework Study; approved up to \$500,000 in matching funds w/ ADOT for a Federal Railroad Grant application; and received an update on air quality and status of developing a new plan. The next meeting is April 27.

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- Pinal Partnership-March 24 Legislative Mixer: This was an informal meeting with District 23 legislators. Representatives Pratt and Fillmore were in attendance. Other representatives from Apache Junction, Maricopa and Florence also attended.
- Roots N' Boots Family & Pro Rodeo: Mayor Barney thanked everyone who was involved in organizing the Rodeo and said a full report will be provided at a later date.
- Pinal County Board of Supervisor's Meeting-March 30: Mayor Barney reported that he attended the Board of Supervisor's Meeting in opposition of a Pinal County case for 96 acres of commercial on Hunt Highway. The case was continued to April 20 with only two supervisors in attendance and at the request of Supervisor Martyn. The next meeting is April 20.
- National League of Cities Conference – Washington DC-March 12-16: A meeting was held with Arizona Senators McCain & Kyle and Congressman Flake. Some of the sessions attending included leadership, council agenda/plan and economic development. Vice Mayor Barnes also received the Silver Certificate from the Leadership Training Institute.

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.

Molly Jacobs, representing Queen Creek Cultural Foundation and Queen Creek Performing Arts Center, provided an update on the shows performed and/or provided in the Family Theatre and Community Theatre and participation in Roots N' Boots Family Rodeo.

C. Economic Development Commission – March 23, 2011

Vice Mayor Barnes reported on the staff presentation on temporary signage and update on the Business Incubator program. Discussion on Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre pricing was continued until General Manager Tim Lynch could attend. The next meeting is April 27.

**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.

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**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 March 2, 2011 Work Study and Regular Session Minutes.

B. Consideration and possible approval of the March 8, 2011 Special Session Minutes.

C. Consideration and possible approval of a budget reallocation and purchase order increase in the amount of \$50,000 with Dana Kepner Company Inc., for the purchase, repair and testing of Sensus water meters, fittings and accessories.

D. Consideration and possible approval of an amendment to Contract 2009-42 Sunrise Engineering, Inc., - Project Order #005, for a Waste Water Master Plan Update in the amount of \$18,990.

E. Consideration and possible approval of a Waiver of Receipt of Agricultural Irrigation Water Service Tract QCID-2-317 (Queen Creek Road west of Sossaman Road).

F. Consideration and possible approval of the "Via de Palmas and 8-foot Public Utility Easement Map of Dedication", a request by Queen Creek Investors, Inc.(Hastings Farms).

G. Consideration and possible approval of a Condominium Re-plat of Building G3 of the Villages Office Suites, 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment, a request by Queen Creek Village Office, LLC.

H. Consideration and possible approval of **Ordinance 496-11** Annexation of Crismon Road Alignment, a staff initiated annexation of a parcel of land approximately 9 acres in size located on the Crismon Road alignment, between the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way and the Chandler Heights alignment and rezoning the parcel to the nearest applicable Town zoning.

I. Consideration and possible approval of the appointment of Eileen Koceja and reappointment of David Dobbs, Eric Kerr, Nancy Uptain and Barbara Young to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC).

J. Consideration and possible approval of an Extension of Premises/Patio Permit submitted by Brett Aelred Dettler, on behalf of Trophy's Steakhouse, 7215 S. Power Road, Ste 108 (Power Marketplace), for a one day special event on April 9, 2011. The business has a current liquor license.

Staff pulled Item H for discussion.

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**Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A-G and I-J as presented**  
(Benning/Alston/Unanimous)

**Item H:** Community Development Director Tom Condit provided the proposed amendment to the ordinance adding language to the ordinance heading, fourth 'Whereas' and Section 3 regarding Town zoning classifications.

**Motion to approve Ordinance 496-11 as amended** (Alston/Wheatley/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.**

**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 providing comments on the Pinal County Transit Feasibility Study update by David Maestas, Pinal County Public Works Dept/Planning Division.

David Maestas presented the findings and recommendations of the Pinal County Transit Feasibility Study. Mr. Maestas reported the study was conducted over a two-year period and took into consideration populations, transit services in use, route options and travel flows into and out of Pinal County. Mr. Maestas reviewed long-term and short-term recommendations and the recommendation to form a Joint Powers Organization, which is a non-profit organization of local governments, to run the transit system.

Council asked for additional information on the data for thru-ridership between Maricopa County and Pinal County and commuter rail. Mr. Maestas discussed the consideration of working with Valley Metro on an express service but it would depend on budgetary issues.

**10.** Discussion and possible action on the award of a contract in the amount not to exceed \$3,167,430 to Markham Contracting Company, Inc., for the Cloud Road Basin - Sossaman Road Drainage Project D0004.

Public Works Division Manager Troy White provided project background/overview and expected construction and construction timeline. Mr. White also provided information on the intergovernmental agreement between the Town and Maricopa County Flood Control District where the Town provided the right-of-way and the Flood Control District is paying for construction and majority of construction monitoring.

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Council asked if access to Sossman Road for the Rancho Jardines neighborhood would be provided during construction. Mr. White responded that Sossaman Road would be open during construction. Council also asked whether a permanent traffic signal could be installed at Chandler Heights & Sossaman. Staff responded that it could not be included in this project.

**Motion to approve the award of a contract in the amount not to exceed \$3,167,430 to Markham Contracting Company, Inc., for the Cloud Road Basin - Sossaman Road Drainage Project D0004** (Benning/Wheatley/Unanimous)

11. Discussion and possible action on the approval of a contract in the amount not to exceed \$26,614 to Speedie and Associates for material testing on the Cloud Road Basin- Sossaman Road Drainage Project D0004.

**Motion to approve** (Wheatley/Benning/Unanimous)

12. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the Salt River Project "Power Distribution Easements" (SRP Job No. KE6-443 and JE6-372) for 12kV electrical relocates and underground electrical services in preparation for the Cloud Road Basin – Sossaman Road Drainage Project D0004.

**Motion to approve** (Benning/Wheatley/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.

13. Presentation on various taxing entities in Queen Creek through Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping.

GIS Manager Shawny Ekadis gave a mapping presentation relative to the various property taxing districts in the Town. The presentation included some history on property valuations and sample assessments.

14. Discussion on Core Services.

Town Manager John Kross gave presentation on the use of Core Services as a management tool in developing the annual budget and identifying and prioritizing services provided by the organization. Mr. Kross also explained that a Core Services document is useful for setting goals and programs or services and provided definitions for priority levels 1-mandated by law; level 2 – should have/important; and level 3 nice to have/provides added value.

15. **Motion to adjourn to Executive Session:** The Council may reconvene the Executive Session for any of the items listed on the Executive Session Agenda.

**Motion to reconvene to Executive Session at 8:36pm** (Oliphant/Alston/Unanimous)

**16. Adjournment**

The Regular Session was adjourned unanimously at 9:39pm.