



Minutes
Regular Session
Queen Creek Town Council
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road
Council Chambers
April 20, 2011
7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barney called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

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

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

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Barney.

4. Invocation: Pastor Randy Deal, Rock Point Church

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

A. Volunteer Recognitions

- Eagle Scout Jacob Johnson – Mr. Johnson was recognized for his volunteer project of constructing a new sidewalk at the Queen Creek Library.
- Queen Creek East Stake 11-year old Boy Scout Day Camp-*unable to attend*
- Boy Scout Troop 287-*unable to attend*
- Casa De Vida Church – Jose Gonzales representing Casa de Vida Church was recognized for the service project at Desert Mountain Park. The group cleaned and painted the decorative sidewalk at the ball field plaza.
- Rock Point Church – The volunteers from Rock Point Church were recognized for their fire hydrant painting service project. The group painted 177 hydrants over two days.

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.

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Council Member Benning:

- Meeting with State Legislators – April 12: Council Member Benning, Vice Mayor Barnes and Wendy Kaserman met with legislators to lobby against SB 1525 (Development Fees statutes)
- Central Arizona Association of Governments (CAAG) Budget Committee – April 19: The committee members reviewed the proposed CAAG FY12 budget; heard cost saving proposals from the new Executive Director Brian Tapp; and discussed the dues structure. The next meeting is May 11 in Marana.

Mayor Barney:

- Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport Authority –April 18: The Board approved a contract to construct new restrooms at one of the hangars and a 6-month property lease agreement with Jetstrip, Inc. The next meeting is May 23.
- American Planning Association Conference: attended sessions on finance, fees, and budgeting.

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. Transportation Advisory Committee – April 7, 2011: Council Member Benning reported on the committee's discussion on possible revisions to the Traffic Calming Policy and FY11-12 Capital Improvement Project budget. The next meeting is May 5.

D. Town Center Committee – April 13, 2011: Council Member Wheatley reported the committee received presentations from Journey Maps on mapping Queen Creek and specifically the Town Center area; the ASU Capstone Project and Urban Land Institute study. The Promotions and Marketing sub-committees have been meeting and will report at the next meeting on May 11.

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.

Council Member Oliphant announced the American Cancer Society Relay for Life event April 29-30 at Canyon State Academy. Ms. Oliphant provided information on the goals of the Queen Creek group and provided website information.

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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 April 6, 2011 Work Study and Regular Session Minutes.

B. Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution 876-11** authorizing and directing staff to take all actions necessary to acquire real property from La Sentiero and Dale E. Anderson, P.C., for water facilities.

C. Consideration and possible approval of **Resolution 877-11** authorizing and directing staff to take all actions necessary to acquire real property located at Germann Road and 188th Street (Assessor's Parcel 304-61-017B) from Stearns Bank for the purpose of roadway right-of-way.

***D.** Public Hearing and possible approval of an Interim Permit and new Series 12 Restaurant Liquor License application (#12078698) submitted by Mark Thomas Settingington, on behalf of Tio Oso's, 7205 S. Power Rd (Power Marketplace). The restaurant has a current Series 12 Restaurant license issued to Randy Nations/Uncle Bear's at Power LLC.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented
(Wheatley/Benning/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.

None.

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

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9. Update on the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC).

Jason Barney, the Town's representative on the GPEC Board, gave some background information on the purpose of the Greater Phoenix Economic Council – policy and self promotion of Arizona for diversification and sustainability of the economic base and some recent highlights of action taken by the Board:

- Support for SB1403 – Solar Competitiveness
- Support for SB1041 – Invest Arizona
- Employment highlights of the First Solar project in Mesa

Council asked if there were any tips or suggestions so Queen Creek could be ready for a similar project. Mr. Barney said to be in control of the things Queen Creek can be in control of such as infrastructure in the employment areas and be engaged and involved in the community and region.

10. Economic Development update.

Economic Development Director Doreen Cott presented an update on the 2010-2011 Action Plan and accomplishments to date. Areas of note include business attraction; SWOT analysis; Town Center Committee actions and working to promote existing Town events and entertainment activities. Also participation in activities with the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport Trade area, Greater Phoenix Economic Council and other professional organizations. Ms. Cott included activities with the Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce, Rio Salado Community College and the creation of the business incubator program "QC Inc."

11. 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 8:18pm (Brown/Benning/Unanimous)

12. Adjournment

The Regular Session was adjourned at 10:00pm.

TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Gail Barney, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer F. Robinson, MMC

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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 April 20, 2011 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, MMC

Passed and approved on May 4, 2011.