



Minutes
Work Study and Possible Executive Session
Queen Creek Town Council
Queen Creek Town Hall, 22350 S. Ellsworth Road
Council Chambers
August 15, 2007
5:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:32pm.

2. Roll Call

Council Members present: Coletto-Cohen; Hildebrandt; Mortensen; Valenzuela; Wootten (telephonically) and Mayor Sanders. Vice Mayor Barney was absent.

3. Motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the following purposes:

- A. Discussion and consultation with the Town Attorney and designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding possible property acquisitions within the Municipal Center area (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7).
- B. Discussion and consultation with the Town's attorneys for legal advice concerning sewer service area boundaries (A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3).
- C. Discussion and consultation with the Town's attorneys for legal advice and to consider the Town's position and instruct its attorney regarding a development agreement terms & conditions (UASA Office Building) (A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) & (4).
- D. Discussion and consultation with the Town's attorneys for legal advice and to consider the Town's position and instruct its attorney regarding an Intergovernmental Agreement (QCUSD-Performing Arts Center) (A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) & (4).
- E. Discussion and consultation with the Town Attorneys to consider the Town's position and instruct its attorneys regarding a possible settlement of potential litigation related to the housing program.(A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4).

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 5:33pm (Valenzuela/Coletto-Cohen/Unanimous)

The Work Study Session reconvened at 6:00pm.

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

4. Status Report on Williams Gateway Airport by Lynn Kusy, WGA Executive Director.

Lynn Kusy, WGA Executive Director, gave an update on the following areas:

- Activities: nine new buildings under construction/completed with an additional eight buildings in process; charter services provided by Vision Airlines and Allegiant Air; revenue/sales/passenger/cargo statistics.
- Land use protection: current noise contours; operations per day of 1000 as shown by flight paths; airport master plan update process with adoption in July 2008.

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- Proposed airport name change: Mr. Kusy explained that the airport has had several names over its' history. He said comments received from passenger airlines indicated that the airport name needed to connect with a geographic area or major city as a marketing strategy. The recommended name for Williams Gateway is "Phoenix Mesa Gateway Airport" and would include a new logo. Mr. Kusy said that when a new name is approved, there will be an implementation process. He also said that there are many ways to preserve the history the Williams heritage and suggestions could be submitted through the airport website.

5. Presentation of the Town's legislative efforts by Mike Williams, of Williams Associates.

Mike Williams, the Town's lobbyist, reported that Queen Creek was represented well during the legislative session and will benefit from several bills that had been passed. Mr. Williams reviewed HB 2793 – Congestion Mitigation Fund including the STAN provisions and other bills that affect Queen Creek. Town Manager Kross added that the level of awareness of Queen Creek issues was increased in part by Mr. William's work at the Legislature on behalf of Queen Creek.

6. Discussion on League Resolutions.

Intergovernmental Liaison Mark Young reviewed three League Resolutions that staff recommends supporting:

- Resolution 7: private utilities in unincorporated areas – this resolution, sponsored by Queen Creek, would prevent leap frog development by requiring similar approval for private utilities as incorporation (six-mile radius approval).
- Resolution 22: telecom revolving fund – would provide funds to cover shortfall in the state's revolving fund.
- Resolution 25: development rights transfer.

Council also discussed supporting Resolution 21 which would allow code enforcement officers to issue citations. Council thought this was relevant to the park areas in and washes in Queen Creek. Mr. Kross said that the Park Rangers are exploring this possibility.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:46 pm (Valenzuela/Mortensen/Unanimous)

The Work Study was reconvened at 7:10.

Motion to recess the Work Study Session at 7:10 pm (Coletto-Cohen/Mortensen/Unanimous)

The Work study was reconvened at 8:45pm.

Motion to adjourn the Work Study Session at 8:45pm (Mortensen/Valenzuela/Unanimous)

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TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

Arthur M. Sanders, Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer F. Robinson, CMC

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 August 15, 2007 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, CMC

Passed and approved on September 5, 2007.