

MINUTES OF THE FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013, AT 4:00 P.M., IN THE CHAMBERS OF TOWN HALL, LOCATED AT 775 NORTH MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Rankin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Rankin, Smith, Hawkins, Montaño

Absent: Councilmember Celaya; Walter; Woolridge

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rankin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Call to the Public for public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Town Council. Council rules limit public comment to three minutes. Individual Councilmembers may respond to criticism made by those commenting, may ask staff to review a matter raised or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. However, members of the Council shall not discuss or take action on any matter during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of award of CDBG 111-12 ADA Curb Cuts Project contract to Standard Construction Company, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$288,091.00.

Mr. Ernie Feliz, Special Districts Manager, stated the bid opening was on May 31, 2013, in which two bids were received for the Curb Cuts Project. The project will entail curbing along Main Street. The bids have been reviewed and all documents are in order. Staff is recommending the award of bid to Standard Construction Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$288,091.00.

Mayor Rankin stated that the Town was given \$300,000 from SSP Funds. He inquired why the Town did not spend it all and why is the Town utilizing some of its own money.

Mr. Feliz stated the funding will be utilized for payment to Standard Construction Company, administrative fees and for drawing and signage. He said all of the money will be spent.

Mayor Rankin inquired if this project will include the brickwork that is to be done on Main Street that is required by SHPO.

Wayne Costa, Public Work Director, stated that during the inception, it was required that the handicap ramps meet ADOT criteria. The ADOT criteria has exception to allow diagonal ramps at each of the corners. Staff utilized Federal Highway Administration's standards to accommodate the handicap ramps. The handicap ramps are required to proceed with the Streetscape Project.

Mayor Rankin inquired if the crosswalks will have the stamped brick as well.

Mr. Costa stated in 2004, the PAR identified that the crosswalks and intersections would be stamped; however, that is not part of this project.

Mr. Jess Knudson, Assistant Town Manager, stated that the Town will piggyback on the curb cut project for the Streetscape Project to save money on improvements to the crosswalks and intersections along Main Street. He explained the improvements that will be made in the downtown area.

Mr. Knudson said ideas from the Streetscape Committee couldn't be utilized within the scope of the grant because access to the curbs weren't ADA compliant.

Mayor Rankin said that the stamped concrete may deteriorate from the historical value of Main Street.

Councilmember Hawkins said the stamped concrete will be an improvement. He said it will differentiate the crosswalks. The crosswalks will not have to be constantly repainted.

Vice-Mayor Smith inquired if the crosswalk by Kokopelli's will be done as well.

Mr. Costa stated that the crosswalk in front of Kokopelli's will be done. The crosswalk will be moved to the north because of the posts that are there. Sidewalk cuts will be done to accommodate the crosswalk.

On motion of Councilmember Montañó, seconded by Vice-Mayor Smith, and carried to award the CDBG 111-12 ADA Curb Cuts Project contract to Standard Construction Company, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$288,091.00.

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of the Disposal Agreement between the Town of Florence and Central Arizona Solid Waste, Inc.

Mr. Wayne Costa, Public Works Director, said the agreement will be to transfer of waste disposal services to citizens and the Town for self-haul items in regards to bulk waste and solid waste. He said the Town did go out for bid and received three bids:

- Was a no bid

- Central Arizona Solid Waste, which is twelve miles away from the Town core, and one mile away from the northernmost Town limits
- Third bid was for 32 miles away

Mr. Costa said it was determined that Central Arizona Solid Waste was the low bidder. The fee is \$25.06 on weights of less than 1,000 pounds, and \$35.29 per ton for any waste above 1,000 pounds. He said this included in the Town's user rates for sanitation, in which the customer pays \$17.00 per month; \$12.50 is for RAD for their portion and the balance is for administrative fee and land fill costs.

Mayor Rankin inquired if the residents are required to hold animal feces for one month for bulk pickup.

Mr. Costa said that residents can dispose of animal feces but it has to be bagged and tied and can be disposed of with the containerized trash.

On motion of Councilmember Montañó, seconded Councilmember Hawkins, and carried to approve the Disposal Agreement between the Town of Florence and Central Arizona Solid Waste, Inc.

1. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

2. CALL TO THE COUNCIL

Vice-Mayor Smith stated that he was part of the first committee for the Streetscape Project. He said discussions have been going on for years. He thanked Mr. Knudson for his work on the Streetscape Project.

3. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Montañó, seconded by Vice-Mayor Smith, and carried to adjourn the June 27, 2013 meeting at 4:16 p.m.



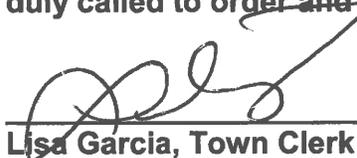
Tom J. Rankin, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Florence Town Council meeting held on June 27, 2013, and that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.



Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk