

ACTION MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 775 N. MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Walter called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Tara Walter, John Anderson, Karen Wall, Kristen Larsen, Michelle

Absent: Bill Hawkins, Judy Hughes

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. 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.

6. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Update on the Cuen Building repairs by Tom and Lynn Smith. (Lisa Garcia)
- b. Presentation recognizing Florence being named the Safest City in Arizona by the National Council for Home Safety and Security. (Bruce Walls)

7. CONSENT: All items on the consent agenda will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Councilmember or a member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.

- a. Approval to enter into a contract with Centimark Corporation, for roof repairs at Fire Station #1 and the South Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility, in an amount not to exceed \$53,682.47. (Chris Salas)
- b. Adoption of a Partial Release of the Judgment Lien insofar as it relates to the real property located at 7901 W. Desert Blossom Way, Florence. (Cliff Mattice)
- c. Approval of accepting the register of demands ending January 31, 2019, in the amount of \$1,963,845.29. (Rebecca Jimenez)

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to approve the Consent Agenda, as written.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Reaffirmation of 2020 rate increase as adopted by Council Resolution No. 1664-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE OF TERMS, RATES, FEES AND CHARGES FOR TOWN-OWNED WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES. (Rebecca Jimenez)

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to reaffirmation of 2020 rate increase as adopted by Council Resolution No. 1664-18.

- b. Ordinance No. 690-20: Second reading and Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY STRIKING SECTIONS 32.030, 32.032, 32.033, 32.120, 32.121, 32.200, 32.201, 32.202 ELIMINATING THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD, THE ARTS AND CULTURE BOARD, AND THE FLORENCE YOUTH COMMISSION AND BY MODIFYING THE PARKS AND RECREATIONS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERSHIP SECTION 32.086, POWERS AND DUTIES SECTION 32.087 AND MEETING SECTION 32.015. (Lisa Garcia and Bryan Hughes)

On motion of motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to adopt Ordinance No. 690-20.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Resolution No. 1731-20: Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, APPROVING, REAFFIRMING, RESTATING AND RE-ESTABLISHING THE FLORENCE DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AREA BOUNDARIES AND CONDITIONS OF SLUM OR BLIGHT BASED UPON ONGOING SUBSTANTIAL ACTIONS TAKEN TO REMOVE THE SLUM AND BLIGHT CONDITIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES. (Larry Harmer)

On motion of Councilmember Larsen, seconded by Vice-Mayor Anderson, and carried (5-0) to adopt Resolution No. 1731-20.

- b. Resolution No. 1734-20: Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, ESTABLISHING REGULAR MEETING LOCATIONS, DATES AND TIMES FOR TOWN OF FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL AND TOWN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (Lisa Garcia)

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Cordes, and carried (5-0) to adopt Resolution. No. 1734-20.

- c. First Reading of Ordinance No. 691-20: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 32.001 (D) TOWN BOARDS, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEES. (Lisa Garcia)
- d. Discussion/Approval/Disapproval to adopt the Public Involvement Plan for the General Plan Update. (Larry Harmer)

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Vice-Mayor Anderson, and carried (5-0) to adopt the Public Involvement Plan for the General Plan Update.

10. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

11. MANAGER'S REPORT

12. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. Community Development
- b. Community Services
- c. Courts
- d. Finance
- e. Fire
- f. Police
- g. Public Works

13. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

14. CALL TO THE COUNCIL – CURRENT EVENTS ONLY

15. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

For the purposes of discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body and/or legal counsel pursuant to A.R.S. Sections 38-431.03 (A)(3), (A)(4) and (A)(7) to consider its position and instruct its representatives and/or attorneys regarding:

- a. Town's position and instruct its attorneys regarding pending litigation in Maricopa County Superior Court: Town of Florence v. Florence Copper, Inc. CV2015-000325, including counterclaims.
- b. Town's position and instruct its attorneys regarding Arizona Department of Environmental Quality proceedings, related to Water Quality Appeals Board Case No. 16-002, including appellate proceedings to reviewing courts.
- c. Discussion or consultations regarding the Town of Florence intervention in the matter of the Arizona Corporation Commission's investigation into the 2019-2020 rate case.
- d. Possible discussions on government agencies and private entities involving the purchase, sale or lease of real property and other property related to the Town of Florence's water and wastewater systems, including upgrades, expansions, contracts, and/or settlement discussions related thereto.
- e. Discussion on possible contract negotiations with Magma Flood Control District.

On motion of Vice-Mayor Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Larsen, and carried (5-0) to adjourn to Executive Session.

16. ADJOURNMENT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Vice-Mayor Anderson, carried (5-0) to adjourn from Executive Session.

17. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councilmember Wall, seconded by Councilmember Cordes, and carried (5-0) to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Posted this 3rd day of March 2020, on the Town of Florence website at www.florenceaz.gov by Maria Hernandez, Deputy Town Clerk.