

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M., IN THE FLORENCE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 775 N. MAIN STREET, FLORENCE, ARIZONA.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eaton called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Keith Eaton, Cathy Adam, Nicole Buccellato, Jose Maldonado, Tony Bencina, Sherrie Bedford

SPECIAL MEETING

Reconsideration of the motion of Councilmember Maldonado, seconded by Vice-Mayor Adam to instruct the Town Clerk to work with the mayor to bring this to fruition, the Council whose terms expired on 2024 will be invited to the process, those wishing to participate will write a response by December 30, 2024 to the following two questions: a. What did you hope to accomplish during your time on the Town Council that you were unable to complete? What might you have done differently while serving on the Town Council? (Cliff Mattice)

Mayor Eaton stated that he requested this item be placed on the agenda after speaking with residents following the previous meeting.

Brian Chipman, Florence resident, expressed his concern that if the Council appoints a new member, one third of the Council will have not been selected by voters during an election and that would not allow for the residents to have their voices heard. He expressed concern with the pool of candidates only being three people when the Town has many qualified residents.

Sherri Haahr, Florence resident, inquired why Council is seeking to change their vote on this item. She stated that if Council was unsure on the item when it was voted on, the item should have been tabled. She stated that the vote was a 5-1 margin and that rehashing this item could set a precedent for future issues.

Courtney Ramirez, Florence resident, stated that she is still unsure of the reason why a member of Council is being appointed as opposed to being selected in an election and requested the Council explain the reasoning. She inquired why the more residents weren't allowed to apply for the open Council seat.

Linda Turner, Florence resident, stated that she was unaware of what was going on with the filling of the vacant seat and reviewed the previous meetings to learn more. She expressed her desire for the pool of candidates to be more than just the immediate past Council and stated that the process should be similar to how it was handled during the previous vacancy in the spring of 2024.

Christina Buckner, Florence resident, expressed her concern that the candidates did not choose to run for election and stated that the applications should be open to all residents. She stated that

there is a potential for a singular way of thinking on Council and that Council will do the same problematic things over and over again and that the seat should be open to other applicants.

Lisa Garcia, Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk, stated that the seat was vacated after the election and that consideration for how to fill the seat did not begin until December 9, 2024. She stated that since this vacancy was created not immediately preceding an election, state law allows for the Council that is seated during the time of the vacancy to choose how to fill said vacancy.

Councilmember Bencina stated that he did not support the chosen process and would like the position opened up to the public for applications. He expressed his appreciation for the work of the former members of Council who applied to the vacancy but inquired what made them change their minds and seek to be on Council again. He expressed his frustration with the spending of the previous Council and areas he feels they missed, such as the Public Works building block wall and the utilization of a School Resource Officer (SRO).

Councilmember Buccellato stated that she has been working on utilizing a School Resource Officer and has met with members of staff and members of the school board to move forward with the SRO position. She expressed her frustration that this item is on the agenda, noting that this item was placed on the previous agenda and that the public was encouraged to voice their opinion and that no opinions were voiced at the time. She stated that she had received emails requesting the process to change but noted that the Council is elected by the people to work in their best interest and will make decisions based off of information that the public is not privy to. She stated that she has received more than 10 emails in support of not changing the selection process from what was voted on. She stated that listening to the people does not mean going with the desires of one person speaking but rather going with what is best for the Town as a whole.

Councilmember Maldonado stated that actions taken by Council are not done with ill intent and that folks speaking the loudest aren't always correct. He stated that he listens to his constituents and that he stands by his vote, noting his appreciation of the work done by the previous Council.

Vice-Mayor Adam noted that this item is not the Council going back on its vote but rather a result of listening to the concerns of the public and allowing them to have their opinions heard. She stated that Council receives their agendas at the same time as the public and do not get advanced warning about items and must make a decision during the meeting with information available. She clarified that Council chose to go with the immediate past Council due to information they are privy too with complex issues being worked on.

Mayor Eaton stated that this item was not placed on the agenda due to the applicants and that he has a great amount of respect for the three applicants to the open position.

On motion of Mayor Eaton, seconded by Councilmember Bencina to reconsider the motion of Councilmember Maldonado, seconded by Vice-Mayor Adam to instruct the Town Clerk to work with the mayor to bring this to fruition, the Council whose terms expired on 2024 will be invited to the process, those wishing to participate will write a response by December 30, 2024 to two questions.

Reverse Order Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Eaton: Yes
Vice-Mayor Adam: No
Councilmember Buccellato: No
Councilmember Maldonado: No
Councilmember Bencina: Yes
Councilmember Bedford: No

The motion failed: Yes – 2 / No – 4.

Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of an individual to serve on the Florence Town Council until filled by election. (Lisa Garcia)

Councilmember Buccellato stated that Council was considering how to proceed during two major holidays (Christmas & New Year).

On motion of Vice-Mayor Adam, seconded by Councilmember Buccellato to appoint Arthur Neal to the Florence Town Council until filled by election.

Reverse Order Roll Call Vote:

Mayor Eaton: Yes
Vice-Mayor Adam: Yes
Councilmember Buccellato: Yes
Councilmember Maldonado: No
Councilmember Bencina: No
Councilmember Bedford: Yes

The motion passed: Yes – 4 / No – 2.

Oath of Office for the newly appointed Councilmember. (Lisa Garcia)

Ms. Garcia noted that the Clerk's Office prepared oaths for each applicant to be prepared for whomever the Council selected.

Ms. Lisa Garcia administered the Oath of Office to Arthur Neal.

Councilmember Neal took his seat on Council.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Eaton called for a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eaton 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 act on any matter during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action.

Sherri Haahr, Florence resident, thanked Council for their teamwork in appointing Arthur Neal to the vacant seat.

Sherri Butler, Special Events Director at the Greater Florence Chamber of Commerce, stated that the Women in Business Committee will be hosting an event at the GreenTree Inn & Suites on Wednesday, January 8 from 6pm to 7:30pm. She stated that the focus will be on women in commercial real estate and that Pinal County Federal Credit Union, El Dorado Holdings, and other will be in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING AND PRESENTATIONS:

Public Hearing on ORDINANCE No. 745-25: and First reading of AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY ARIZONA, APPROVING A ZONE CHANGE FOR APPROXIMATELY 110-ACRES, KNOWN AS BOWLING INDUSTRIAL 110, IN FLORENCE, AZ FROM RURAL AGRICULTURAL (RA-10) AND RURAL AGRICULTURAL (RA-4) TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (LI), ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBERS 201-28-0050, 201-28-0040, 201-28-0080 (PLZ-24-0001) with the conditions. (Maricella Benitez)

Maricella Benitez, Senior Planner, stated that the land to be re-zoned is a 110-acre property southeast of Diversion Dam Road and Bowling Road owned by Langley Properties. She stated that the land is currently zoned Rural Agriculture (RA-10 & RA-4) and that the plan is to rezone to Light Industrial (LI). She stated that a neighborhood meeting was held in November and that residents living in the surrounding area attended to voice their concerns regarding traffic, people coming onto their property, who would be developing the land, and safety. She stated that residents also spoke during the public hearing at the December 5, 2024 Planning & Zoning Commission meeting and that the comments have been included in the agenda packet for Council.

Jennifer Ruby, Director of Development at Langley Properties, stated that Langley Properties has owned and managed properties in Florence for decades and that the property that is up for rezoning is part of a larger land portfolio of nearly 5,000 acres. She stated that the proposed rezoning to Light Industrial matches the General Plan's industrial usage for the area. She stated that the current setbacks for the property are 25 feet and that the developer is voluntarily asking for the setbacks to be set at 50 feet. She stated that no other variances are being sought, only the additional setback requirements. She stated that no site plan has been identified yet and that she does not know what will be developed on the property.

Councilmember Bedford inquired if there is any idea what will be developed on the property.

Ms. Ruby stated that the current property owner, Langley Properties, does not do vertical building and will prepare vacant land to be sold to an end user.

Councilmember Buccellato inquired if the property would be developed into a solar energy farm.

Ms. Ruby stated that would not be a permitted use in a Light Industrial area and that she would not advocate for a solar farm at that location.

Councilmember Bencina stated that he attended the neighborhood meetings and appreciated the additional setback requirements to help ease the concerns of residents surrounding the property.

Vice-Mayor Adam stated that she does not remember a developer voluntarily doubling their setback requirements and praised that action. She inquired about the timeline for the process of developing the property.

Ms. Ruby stated that this item will come back for a second reading and, if approved, the developer will market the site and search for an end user.

Councilmember Neal inquired if there has been feedback from residents on what they would like to see in this location and if the developer will take their wishes into consideration.

Ms. Ruby stated that the feedback has been to keep the land as-is with no development. She stated that she reviewed the permitted uses with residents at the neighborhood meeting and no objections to potential uses were made.

Councilmember Neal inquired if the developer would listen to the residents if a potential user came in that the residents strongly opposed.

Ms. Ruby stated that they would be willing to listen but noted that it is a difficult hypothetical question due to the zoning being what governs what can and cannot be built on the property.

Mayor Eaton opened the Public Hearing.

Sherri Haahr, Florence resident, inquired about what type of potential businesses would be allowed in a Light Industrial area and what Light Industrial means.

Mayor Eaton requested that the zoning information be published online.

Ms. Garcia stated that the information is included in the packet available online and that staff can place the zoning information on the Clerk's website.

Carl Kremmel, Florence resident, stated that he owns property adjacent to the 110 acres. He thanked the developer for requesting the additional setback requirements but noted that he is unsure what will be built on the property and has worries about that. He requested the walls along the property be set at seven or eight feet to deter theft from his property and his neighbor's property.

Mayor Eaton closed the Public Hearing.

Pavement conditions presentation. (Brian Turcotte)

Brian Turcotte, Engineering Technician, stated that scanning equipment has been mounted to the underside of Public Works vehicles and that roadway data collected by those scanners is uploaded into a map after the data is processed. He stated that this is part of a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) to assess the condition of the Town's roadways. He stated that the PCI average for the roadways currently mapped out is 65. He presented the PCI for a portion of First Street, noting that it has a PCI of 71 due to patches and crack sealing and that the software helps show that the road is a good candidate for a high-density mineral bond surface treatment. He stated the software allows staff to view roadway footage, review photos of the roadway, and build projects. He stated that the goal is to use the software to help find areas to repair before they deteriorate beyond saving.

Councilmember Maldonado inquired if weathering from monsoons and other storms are considered when reviewing the data.

Mr. Turcotte stated that the PCI will register changes in road conditions both positive and negative but does not account for future weather conditions, only the current condition of the roadway.

Vice-Mayor Adam inquired about the cost of completing a survey of the roadways as opposed to the cost for the software being utilized and how the PCI average of 65 can be improved.

Mr. Turcotte stated that a one-time survey would cost over \$100,000 and that the Town currently pays \$12,000/year for the PCI software. He stated that ideally, all roads would be in peak condition and that the software helps staff allocate resources to where they are most needed.

Councilmember Bencina expressed his displeasure at seeing the downtown road in poor condition but noted that this system makes the job easier and will save the Town money.

Councilmember Buccellato expressed her enthusiasm about this software and the savings it could bring. She noted that a lot of downtown roadways have had significant patchwork recently with multiple projects necessitating the digging up of roadways. She expressed her desire to fix the roadways in poor condition.

Bruce Walls, Town Manager, stated that this presentation was the first of many presentations on the equipment or technology that Council approves the purchase of and how that equipment or technology is used.

ADJOURN TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

The minutes for the Board of Adjustment are verbatim minutes edited for clarity.

On motion of Councilmember Buccellato, seconded by Vice-Mayor Adam and carried (7-0) to adjourn to the Board of Adjustments.

Public Hearing and possible action for a Variance for a single-family residential home expansion at 275 E. Aguilar Street Florence, AZ 85132, with stipulations. APN: 200-50-0130 (BOA-24-03). (Maricella Benitez)

Chairman Eaton stated: "Okay, very good. Tonight is a public hearing, possible action for a variance for single family residence home expansion at 275 East Aguilar Street in Florence, with stipulations. Before we begin, I'd like to give an overview of this process. This is- we don't do a lot of these, so I want to make sure that we're all on the same page on this. The Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial act, or body that acts in a role similar to the court, hears variances related to zoning laws and ordinances. Unlike a legit legislative and administrative body, its decisions are based on evidence and the application law of specific cases. Because its quasi-judicial nature, the proceedings of the board are more formal. Certain legal standards must be followed to ensure fairness and impartiality. So the role of the Board of Adjustment is granting the various variances. It considers requests for exemptions to the zoning requirements, setbacks, in this case a setback, when strict enforcement would cause undue hardship. To maintain the integrity of the process, anyone providing testimony before the board must be sworn in. This ensures that all statements are given under oath and are truthful, which are critical to the board's decision-making process. At this time, Madam Clerk, I'll ask you to swear in anybody that will be presenting."

Lisa Garcia, Clerk of the Board, swore in everyone who was presenting.

Chairman Eaton stated: "Very good. At this time, I'll ask for staff to present the case. Maricella?"

Maricella Benitez, Senior Planner: "Mayor, Vice Mayor, Members of the Council, tonight for our Board of Adjustment, we have a case of a variance for a single-family residence at 275 East Aguilar Street in Florence, Arizona. The homeowner has asked for a request a variance to add a front porch to the front of the single-family home. Currently, the setbacks for single family, or R-16, is 20 feet from the front. The house is right up to that 20 feet, and they wish to put a six foot porch there. The Town Code does allow for encroachment in that 20 feet by four feet, which then the variance would be to go further than that four feet. The home has been there since 1919, so this house is allowed in terms of use. It is conforming, however, just at this time, it doesn't allow for full use of that porch, because the home has been there and then they came in later. Based on what the applicant has provided us in terms of reasons why this variance should move forward, they see that this porch should not impact negatively on upon any of their neighbors. They are not creating their own problem as the house is there, and they just want to have the extra functionality beyond four feet of a porch. And this home currently already has concrete in front of it, so the porch would be covering that concrete where they sit and play and talk. Town staff has agreed and recommends approval of this variance as we do see that six feet is definitely much more functional than four feet. We see this as an investment in improving on a 50-plus year-old home, and we don't see as a negative impact upon the neighbors adjacent to them. And here's the specific variance request is from that front yard setback section 150.175 *Projections in Required Yards* of the Town of Florence code of ordinances. I will now that concludes my presentation."

Chairman Eaton stated: "So I'll open up the public hearing at this time to receive comments from the public, and then also, if there's any from the applicant as well."

Frank Granillo, variance applicant: "Well, granting a variance in construction with small front porch will not be detrimental to anyone, and will not create a safety hazard to the public welfare in general, and will not deteriorate the neighborhood, and will not contribute to the lowering of property values. For these reasons, we respectfully ask the decision to make favorable ruling."

Chairman Eaton stated: "All right, thank you. So, is there anyone in the public that has any other comments or any comments online or in person? Seeing none. Do any councilmembers have any comments? Councilmember Buccellato?"

Boardmember Buccellato stated: "I reviewed this (item) this weekend, and there's nothing, I don't think, wrong with somebody wanting to enjoy their home and to better their home. So, my question was going to be about the safety, if the fire department could reach it. But then, when looking at it, you can see that it faces the road, so there would be no problem with that. So, I'm good with that. Thank you."

Chairman Eaton stated: "Okay, is there anyone else that at this time? Okay, Councilmember Neal?"

Boardmember Neal stated: "Mister Granillo, how are you doing, sir?"

Frank Granillo, variance applicant: "Great, how are you?"

Boardmember Neal stated: "I'm good. I just have one question. I want to make sure Judo does most of the heavy lifting and most of the work. The Granillo family is a very old Florence family. Matter of fact, you go down Sixth Street, you got Granillo and Neal on the side of the road. Just wanted to say hello, Mr. Granillo and the rest of the family."

Frank Granillo, variance applicant: "Glad to see you."

Chairman Eaton stated: "All right, very good. Well, not seeing any other members wishing to speak, I'm now going to close the public hearing on that. So, at this time, Council, I'll entertain a motion or a second to approve or disapprove."

Vice-Chair Adam: "I'll make a motion that we approve the variance for the single-family residence at 275 East Aguilar Street, with the three recommendations made by staff."

Boardmember Buccellato stated: "Second."

On motion of Vice-Mayor Adam, seconded by Councilmember Buccellato and carried (7-0) to approve a variance for a single-family residential home expansion at 275 E. Aguilar Street, Florence, AZ 85132 with stipulations.

ADJOURN FROM THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

On motion of Councilmember Buccellato, seconded by Vice-Mayor Adam and carried (7-0) to adjourn from the Board of Adjustments.

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.

Appointment of Lonnie Frost to the Board of Appeals with a term to expire December 31, 2028. (Lisa Garcia)

Appointment of Shad Beebe to the Charles Whitlow Rodeo Grounds Advisory Board with a term to expire December 31, 2027. (Lisa Garcia)

Appointment of Paula Butterworth to the Historic District Advisory Commission with a term to expire December 31, 2025. (Lisa Garcia)

Appointment of Leslie Buchner to the Planning & Zoning Commission as the Second Alternate with a term to expire December 31, 2027. (Lisa Garcia)

Appointment of Tara Walter as a Teen Council Advisor with a term to expire December 31, 2027. (Lisa Garcia)

Approve the purchase of Personal Protective Equipment through Sourcewell PPE Cooperative Contract #010424-LIO, in an amount not to exceed \$67,658.47. (Mitch Snider)

Approval to purchase 33 Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) from Getac, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$179,175.64 under grant funding. (Bruce Walls)

Authorization to enter into Amendment No. 1 to Town Attorney Employment Agreement Extension. (Bruce Walls)

Authorization to enter into a Cooperative Use Contract with Pump Pros International Corporation (Pump Pros), using their City of Tempe Contract #WUD20-029-02, for Vertical Water Pump Maintenance, Purchase, and Repairs for the Utilities Water and Wastewater Divisions, in the amount of \$120,000.00. (Chris Salas)

Approval of the December 9 and 16, 2024 Town Council Minutes. (Lisa Garcia)

Receive and file the following Board and Commission minutes. (Lisa Garcia)

- i. **Community Services Advisory Board minutes of October 23, 2024, and November 12, 2024.**
- ii. **Historic District Advisory Commission minutes of October 30, 2024.**
- iii. **Planning and Zoning Commission minutes of November 21, 2024.**

On motion of Councilmember Maldonado, seconded by Councilmember Buccellato and carried (7-0) to approve the Consent Agenda as written.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of entering into a Cooperative Use Contract with Holbrook Asphalt, Co. for pavement preservation services, utilizing the City of Mesa Contract #2022159, with a contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. (Chris Salas)

Chris Salas, Public Works Director, stated that the Town has utilized the HA5 High-Density Mineral Bond pavement preservation compound for approximately 10 years, with one to two applications of the compound per year. He stated that the contract is normally awarded for one year but noted that this contract has a term of five years to allow for quicker response times to roadways that need to be addressed following adverse weather or other incidents. He stated that staff have attempted to best divide project funds amongst areas where repairs are most needed and that the new software discussed earlier in the meeting is being used to assist with that task. He stated that this contract would most likely not be utilized for downtown roads but would be used in areas like Western Crossing and Bisbee Ranch to apply to the asphalt in those areas.

Councilmember Bencina inquired about the funds budgeted for this contract and if additional funds will be needed.

Mr. Salas stated that the funds for roadway maintenance extended beyond this singular contract as those repairs include chip seals and patching. He noted that funds are budgeted to support the project and other roadway maintenance.

On motion of Councilmember Buccellato, seconded by Vice-Mayor Adam and carried (7-0) to approve entering into a 3-year Cooperative Use Contract with Holbrook Asphalt, Co. for pavement preservation services, utilizing the City of Mesa Contract #2022159, with a contract amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.

Ordinance No. 746-25: Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 50 WATER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Lisa Garcia)

Mayor Eaton stated that ordinances that are passed in an emergency to have them go into effect immediately and that this is being done as a housekeeping item to add the new position of "Utility Director" to the town codes.

On motion of Vice-Mayor Adam, seconded by Councilmember Buccellato and carried (7-0) to adopt Ordinance No. 746-25: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 50 WATER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Ordinance No. 747-25: Discussion/Approval/Disapproval of AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 51 WASTEWATER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Lisa Garcia)

On motion of Councilmember Maldonado, seconded by Councilmember Bedford and carried (7-0) to adopt Ordinance No. 747-25: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FLORENCE, PINAL

COUNTY, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF FLORENCE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 51
WASTEWATER AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Walls introduced the new Utilities Director, Thomas Gill.

Thomas Gill, Utilities Director, thanked everyone and expressed his excitement to begin working for the Town.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

The Town Manager's report was received without comment.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Community Development and Economic Development

Community Services

Courts

Finance

Fire

IT

Police

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The Department Reports were received without comment.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Christina Buckner, Florence resident, requested the Department Reports be read out loud and expressed her frustration that the Department Reports orally reported at the meeting, noting their convoluted and complex nature.

Sherri Butler, Florence resident, inquired if work can be done to the expansion joints on Main Street as they are difficult for pedestrians to walk over.

Mayor Eaton directed the Town Manager to follow up with Ms. Butler.

Michelle Cordes, Florence resident, congratulated the new members of Council and cautioned the members of Council on decisions that may come before them in which they will need to recuse themselves from making decisions. She stated that items may come before Council that are related to Mayor Eaton's time as a member of staff and that it would be wise to have him not be part of those discussions.

CALL TO THE COUNCIL – CURRENT EVENTS ONLY

Councilmember Neal thanked his fellow members of Council as well as the former members who applied for the open seat. He stated that he was back on Council to help with the needs of Council and is here for his Town.

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Councilmember Bedford wished everyone a happy New Year and expressed her excitement to work with residents.

Councilmember Bencina wished everyone a happy New Year. He expressed his frustration with having to scroll to the end of Council packets to read department reports and inquired if they can be placed on the website.

Councilmember Maldonado welcomed the new Utility Director to Town. He congratulated all the new members of boards and commissions on their positions.

Councilmember Buccellato welcomed the new Utility Director to Town. She stated that a solution to the issues with the department reports could be to link to them on the website.

Vice-Mayor Adam expressed her appreciation in the work of Town Manager Bruce Walls and her excitement to get things done with this Council.

Mayor Eaton wished everyone a happy New Year and invited everyone to the Heritage Park dedication ceremony on January 11.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Councilmember Buccellato, seconded by Councilmember Maldonado and carried (7-0) to adjourn 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. Section 38-431.03 (A)(3), (A)(4) to receive legal advice from the Town Attorney on pending contract matters related to the South Wastewater Treatment Plant.

ADJOURNMENT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Vice-Mayor Adam, seconded by Councilmember Bencina and carried (7-0) to adjourn from Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice-Mayor Adam, seconded by Councilmember Buccellato and carried (7-0) to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.



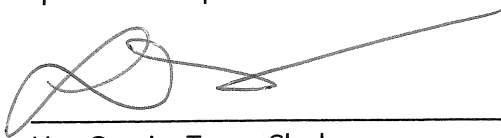
Keith Eaton, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Florence Town Council special meeting held on January 6, 2025, and that the meeting was duly called to order and that a quorum was present.



Lisa Garcia, Town Clerk