

**CITY OF BUCKEYE  
COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
DECEMBER 16, 2014  
MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers  
530 E. Monroe Ave.  
Buckeye, AZ 85326  
4:45 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Mayor Meck called the meeting to order at 4:47 p.m.

Members Present: Councilmember Strauss, Councilmember Hess, Councilmember McAchran, Councilmember Heustis, Vice Mayor Orsborn, and Mayor Meck.

Members Absent: Councilmember Garza.

Departments Present: City Manager Stephen Cleveland, Assistant City Manager Roger Klingler, City Attorney Scott Ruby, City Clerk Lucinda Aja, Deputy City Clerk Summer Stewart, Assistant to Council Carol Conley, Finance Director Larry Price, Public Works Director Scott Lowe, City Engineer Scott Zipprich, Construction and Contracting Manager Chris Williams, Information Technology Director Greg Platacz, Marketing and Communications Manager Jennifer Rogers, and Planning Manager Terri Hogan.

**2. Discussion of Capital Improvements Projects Program**

**Staff Liaison: Chris Williams, Construction and Contracting Manager**

**District No. All**

Mr. Williams presented an overview of the Capital Improvements Projects Program. Council was provided spreadsheets that identify current year and proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 projects as well as a program project summary for Fiscal Years 2015-2020. As each project is brought in, the Construction and Contracting department will identify any necessary processes to complete the project, including defining the scope of work, accurate schedule, acquisition strategy, procurement process, potential limitations, and total cost. Projects will be brought before Council, as necessary, with a true and total cost. The summaries provided to Council will be continuously updated with all projects listed; the total-estimated cost for current and proposed projects over a 5 year period is \$950 million. Current projects were discussed which include ongoing and funded projects as well as future projects requested by staff; staff is seeking direction from Council for each project. The Construction and Contracting department would like to deliver all approved projects on time and under budget. High priority projects and proposed funding sources are displayed and discussed. Current funding is listed; \$44 million is funded, an additional \$61 million has been requested, but has not yet been funded. Mr. Williams provided clarification regarding the project request for security cameras at five separate facilities at the Sundance Wastewater Treatment Facility. General discussion is held regarding current and ongoing projects, proposed projects, and potential funding sources. Mr. Cleveland provided information regarding the historical five year process used for projects, although many requested projects are not completed within five years due to lack of funding. As the City moves forward with each project, a report will be created describing every aspect of the project, including budget information; this report will be provided regularly to Council.

**3. Discussion of the Acquisition of Real Property for Public Use by Purchase or  
Condemnation for Street Improvements  
Staff Liaison: Scott Zipprich, City Engineer  
District No. 3, 5, 6**

Mr. Zipprich provided an overview of the request to acquire rights-of-way by purchase or condemnation for street improvements at three locations in the City. The overall objectives for these projects include a request to dedicate each property, offer appraisal value, and finally move into acquisition proceedings. Current market value will be offered for each site. The first right-of-way is located at Jackrabbit and Indian School Road; the property is .82 acres and the City would like to place a permanent traffic signal at the site, with partial funding from the developer. The second site is located at Yuma Road and 221<sup>st</sup> Avenue; the property is .017 acres and traffic signals will be placed at the site. The final property is located on Rooks Road between the railroad tracks and the Buckeye Water Conservation and Drainage District Canal; the site is 2.82 acres and projects include Arizona Public Service pipe reinforcement, water and sewer for Rooks Road Corridor, a bridge over the canal, and Rooks Road paving. The goal is to acquire the properties by purchase. Once the property located at Jackrabbit Road and Indian School is acquired, the time frame for placement of a traffic signal was discussed. General discussion was held regarding the acquisition of the property located on Rooks Road and the proposed improvements at the site.

**4. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Strauss to adjourn the meeting at 5:41p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

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Jackie A. Meck, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the Council Workshop held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014. I further certify that a quorum was present.

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Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk