

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
COUNCIL WORKSHOP
APRIL 1, 2014
MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers
530 E. Monroe Ave.
Buckeye, AZ 85326
4:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Meck called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

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

Members Absent: Councilmember Garza and Councilmember Strauss.

Departments Present: City Manager Stephen Cleveland, City Attorney Scott Ruby, Deputy City Clerk Deborah Harrell, Assistant to Council Carol Conley, Economic Development Manager Len Becker, Fire Chief Bob Costello, Government Relations Manager George Diaz, Development Services Director George Flores, Community Services Director Cheryl Sedig, Finance Director Larry Price and City Engineer Scott Zipprich.

2. Presentation and Discussion on the Rodeo Grounds Lease

Staff Liaison: Cheryl Sedig, Community Services

District No. All

Ms. Sedig presented Council an overview of the Rodeo Grounds Lease Agreement which contains 9.75 acres on Miller Road, south of Baseline and will be used for the purpose of hosting community events. The Chamber of Commerce requested the City assume responsibility of the Arena and Demolition Derby; an Environmental Site Assessment has been conducted with no issues found. Projected expenses and revenues were provided; four annual events will pay for themselves.

3. Update and Discussion of the Monroe Avenue Beautification

Staff Liaison: Adam Copeland, Development Services

Scott Zipprich, City Engineer

District No. All

Mr. Copeland presented Council a power point presentation on the Monroe Avenue Beautification with the recommendation focusing on intersection design bulb-out. Slides were presented with the depictions of what the landscape intersections would look like. Mr. Ron Noble, Main Street Coalition was in attendance and is pleased with the progress so far. Mr. Zipprich reported the next steps include community outreach. Councilmember Orsborn confirmed a concept for design was previously completed; many concepts are being used in this design. The previous design included large maintenance costs; the current design includes trees, shrubs and parking. Councilmember Hess suggested using the original design as a starting point and confirmed the first phase may be completed with funds currently available.

4. Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Hess to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Jackie A. Meck, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 1st day of April, 2014. I further certify that a quorum was present.

Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk