



**CITY OF BUCKEYE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 16, 2016  
MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers  
530 E. Monroe Ave.  
Buckeye, AZ 85326  
6:00 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order/Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**

Vice Mayor Hess called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Linda Gross of SEAM International led the invocation. Boy Scout Troop No. 263 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Councilmember Garza, Councilmember Strauss, Councilmember Orsborn, Councilmember McAchran, Councilmember Heustis (arrived at 6:13 p.m.), and Vice Mayor Hess.

Members Absent: Mayor Meck.

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, Police Chief Larry Hall, Fire Chief Bob Costello, Finance Director Larry Price, Public Works Director Scott Lowe, Development Services Director George Flores, City Engineer Scott Zipprich, Human Resources Director Nancy Love, Information Technology Director Greg Platacz, Community Services Director Cheryl Sedig, Economic Development Director Len Becker, Water Resources Director Dave Nigh, Chief Communications Officer Jennifer Rogers, Planning Manager Terri Hogan, Library Manager Jana White, and Government Relations Manager George Diaz.

**2A. Comments from the Public** – None.

**2B. Awards/Presentations/Proclamations** – None.

**3. Minutes**

A motion was made by Councilmember Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Heustis to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2016 Council Workshop and January 19, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

**4. Expenditures**

A motion was made by Councilmember Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Heustis to ratify the payment of the accounts payable expenditures made. Copies of invoices are available at City Hall. Motion passed unanimously.

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approval of items on the Consent Agenda - All items with an (\*) are considered to be routine matters. Councilmember Strauss requested Item \*5C. be pulled for discussion. A motion was made by Councilmember Heustis and seconded by Councilmember McAchran to approve Consent Items \*5A. and \*5B. Motion passed unanimously.

### \*5. New Business

**\*5A. Resolution No. 06-16 Authorizing the Submission of an Application for a Motorized and Non-Motorized Program Grant to Arizona State Parks' Recreation Trails Program for the Construction of an ADA-Accessible Pathway and Interpretive Signage in Skyline Regional Park; Approving and Accepting the Grant Award; and Authorizing the Community Services Department Director to Execute and Deliver the Subrecipient Agreement and all other Documents related Thereto on Behalf of the City**

**Staff Liaison: Robert Wisener, Conservation Supervisor**

**District No. 6**

Council adopted Resolution No. 06-16 authorizing the submission of an application for a motorized and non-motorized program grant to Arizona State Parks' Recreation Trails Program for the construction of an ADA-accessible pathway and interpretive signage in Skyline Regional Park; approving and accepting the grant award; and authorizing the Community Services Department Director to execute and deliver the subrecipient agreement and all other documents related thereto on behalf of the City.

**\*5B. Ordinance No. 02-16 Right-of-Way Annexation/Transfer of a Tract of Approximately 2.41 Acres of Maricopa Right-of-Way Generally Located on Dean Road Bounded by the Roosevelt Irrigation District Canal and Durango**

**Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II**

**Phil Reimer, Project Surveyor**

**District No. 6**

Council adopted Ordinance No. 02-16 extending and increasing the corporate limits of the City of Buckeye, Maricopa County, State of Arizona, pursuant to the provisions of title 9, chapter 4, article 7, Arizona Revised Statutes and amendments thereto, by annexing/transferring a tract of approximately 2.41 acres of Maricopa County right-of-way generally located on Dean Road bounded by the Roosevelt Irrigation District Canal and Durango Street.

**\*5C. Boards and Commissions Appointment**

**Staff Liaison: Lucinda Aja, City Clerk**

**District No. 2**

Councilmember Strauss requested this item be pulled for discussion. Mr. Osborne was present and was thanked for his willingness to serve on the Library Advisory Board. A motion was made by Councilmember Strauss and seconded by Councilmember Heustis to approve the following changes to Boards and Commissions:

- Appoint Thomas Osborne (District 2) as an Alternate Member on the Library Advisory Board, filling the unexpired term of Lynnette Kwasiborski, with a term expiration date of December, 2017.

Motion passed unanimously.

## 6. Continued / Tabled Items

- 6A. Authorize the City Manager or Designee to Award the Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Western Fence Company for the Purchase and Installation of Security Fencing and Gates at the Former Jones Ford Site, Located at 23454 West US Highway 85, Buckeye, Arizona; Authorize the City Manager or Designee to Execute and Deliver said Agreement; Authorize the use, if Necessary, of General Fund Contingency Funds** *(Continued from the December 1, 2015 Regular Council Meeting; original motion has been modified to current motion)*  
**Staff Liaison: Scott Lowe, Public Works Director**  
**Chris Williams, Construction and Contracting Manager**  
**District No. All**

Mr. Lowe provided an overview of the request to place security fencing at the former Jones Ford site. The original plan, Option A., was to place an eight foot wrought iron fence around the entire facility. After further research, Option B. was created and includes placing a wrought iron fence at the facility, a smaller three and one-half foot wrought iron fence along a portion of the border of the facility, and a twenty foot landscaping buffer in compliance with the current development code. Option C. includes the eight foot wrought iron fence, a three and one-half foot block wall placed along MC85, and the twenty foot landscaping buffer. Option B. and Option C. include perforated panels screening the facility and blocking view of the yard from neighbors. Mr. Lowe stated the original budgeted amount was \$200,000. Conceptual landscape views were presented. A breakdown of in-house labor and materials costs was provided. Dave Rioux stated there were concerns related to the City's purchase of the facility, but states staff has addressed all concerns and the nearby neighborhood supports the project moving forward. Mr. Lowe stated closing on purchase of the property is pending; causes for delay were discussed. Drainage and storm water drain-off was addressed. Mr. Zipprich provided clarification regarding the need for drainage improvements; this site, at this time, does not require further drainage improvements. Mr. Lowe stated extensive environmental research has been completed at the site. A motion was made by Councilmember Heustis and seconded by Councilmember Orsborn to authorize the City Manager or designee to award the Cooperative Purchase Agreement to Western Fence Company for the purchase and installation of security fencing and gates at the former Jones Ford site, located at 23454 West US Highway 85, Buckeye, Arizona, by choosing Option B. in an amount not to exceed \$178,393.60; authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute and deliver said Agreement; and authorizing the use, if necessary, of General Fund Contingency Funds. Motion passed unanimously.

## 7. Public Hearings / Non-Consent - New Business

- 7A. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Espinoza Annexation Containing Approximately One Acre Generally Located South of McDowell Road and West of Bruner Road**  
**Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II**  
**District No. 4**

Applicant having withdrawn application for annexation, no hearing was held.

- 7B. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Armeli Annexation Containing Approximately 1.1 Acres Generally Located South of McDowell Road and East of Bruner Road**  
**Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II**  
**District No. 4**

Applicant having withdrawn application for annexation, no hearing was held.

**7C. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Robinson Annexation Containing Approximately 1.2 Acres Generally Located on 231<sup>st</sup> Avenue and North of Lower Buckeye Road  
Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II  
District No. 3**

Applicant having withdrawn application for annexation, no hearing was held.

**7D. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Boerner Annexation Containing Approximately One Acre Generally Located East of Rooks Road and South of Maricopa Road  
Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II  
District No. 1**

Applicant having withdrawn application for annexation, no hearing was held.

**7E. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Davila Annexation Containing Approximately 4.3 Acres Generally Located on the Northwest Corner of 199<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hilton Avenue  
Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II  
District No. 3**

Vice Mayor Hess opened the public hearing at 6:34 p.m. to hear citizen input regarding the Global Water-Davila annexation containing approximately 4.3 acres generally located on the northwest corner of 199<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hilton Avenue. Mr. Banda provided a staff report. General discussion was held regarding the Global Water-Davila annexation. The site is a custom home site that is currently under construction. The applicant is interested in City services, including water, sewer, trash, Fire and Police services. Vicinity maps were displayed. Mr. Banda clarified the zoning, upon final approval, will change from the current County zoning of rural residential to the comparable City zoning of rural residential. Questions from residents regarding zoning and infrastructure were addressed. The single property has been requested to be annexed at the request of the applicant. Kristin Provvidenti presented concerns related to the annexation and its impact to the neighbors. Mr. Banda stated the annexation has no direct impact to surrounding neighbors and only relates to the specific property and the owner of that property. The zoning will maintain an equivalent large lot zoning and the rural look of the neighborhood will be maintained. Any future permitting related to that specific property will be processed through the City. Mr. Cleveland clarified the property owner will no longer be required to pay Fire District fees once the annexation is effective. Warren Redfox requested information regarding the current water system in the neighborhood. Mr. Cleveland clarified the current water system is being evaluated and the global water system will be improved; issues related to the water system, water quality, and pressure remain the same whether the property owner is a resident of the County or City. Oscar Hakimian presented concerns related to the property annexation. Jerry Chavez requested information related to the ownership of global water. Mr. Cleveland clarified the City of Buckeye owns global water as of July 2015. Applicant, Esaul Davila, stated he was interested in becoming a resident of Buckeye, but did not realize it would be an issue with his neighbors. Vice Mayor Hess stated applicants historically request annexation for the benefit of city services and they generally find a cost savings with annexation. Jared McDowell requested information regarding the global water system. Mr. Cleveland stated the global water system is currently being evaluated and issues related to the system will be addressed and clarified the services that would be provided by the city with annexation. Councilmember Garza commented it is the right of a property owner to annex into the city and clarified that if one property in a community annexes, there is not then a requirement for other property owners within the community to also annex. Councilmember McAchran requested further information regarding the annexation process. Mr. Banda stated the same message was communicated to all requesting annexing parties; the annexation is voluntary and every property owner has the right to withdraw their application for

annexation. Mr. Davila stated his understanding of the annexation process, but is interested in being a member of his community and neighborhood. Councilmember Heustis provided information related to the difference in cost of Fire services between the City and County. Councilmember Heustis stated the city has and will put forth best efforts to improve the global water system in all service areas. Councilmember Orsborn asked for further clarification regarding the annexation process. Mr. Banda stated annexations are *voluntary* actions. Steps for moving forward were discussed. There being no further comment, Vice Mayor Hess closed the public hearing at 6:50 p.m.

**7F. Public Hearing Only Global Water-Carleton Annexation Containing Approximately 1.14 Acres Generally Located North of Van Buren Street and on 293<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II  
District No. 4**

Applicant having withdrawn application for annexation, no hearing was held.

**7G. Public Hearing and Action Ordinance No. 01-16 Geddes Capital Resources, LLC Annexation Containing Approximately 39 Acres Generally Located South of Interstate 10 and West of Verrado Way  
Staff Liaison: Sean Banda, Planner II  
District No. 6**

Vice Mayor Hess opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. to hear citizen input regarding the Geddes Capital Resources, LLC annexation containing approximately 39 acres generally located south of Interstate 10 and west of Verrado Way. Mr. Banda provided an overview of the Geddes Capital Resources Annexation. A vicinity map was displayed. Mr. Banda stated there has been no public comment or opposition and staff recommends approval. There being no further comment, Vice Mayor Hess closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. A motion was made by Councilmember Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Heustis to adopt Ordinance No. 01-16 extending and increasing the corporate limits of the City of Buckeye, Maricopa County, State of Arizona, pursuant to the provisions of title 9, chapter 4, article 7, Arizona Revised Statutes and amendments thereto, by annexing a parcel of land containing approximately 39 acres with the parcel generally located south of Interstate 10 and west of Verrado Way. Motion passed unanimously.

**7H. Action Resolution No. 05-16 Adopting the Parks and Recreation Master Plan  
Staff Liaison: Robert Wisener, Conservation Supervisor  
District No. All**

Mr. Wisener provided an overview of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. A motion was made by Councilmember Heustis and seconded by Councilmember Orsborn to adopt Resolution No. 05-16 adopting the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Motion passed unanimously.

**8. City Manager's Report and Government Relations**

Mr. Lowe presented pictures of Watson Road north to Skyline Regional Park and discussed road improvements; Public Works department staff was complimented for their hard work on the project.

Ms. Rogers stated the MapIt tool is now available through the city website.

Chief Hall stated the City of Buckeye has been named the 12<sup>th</sup> Safest Arizona City and discussed crime rates; Police Department staff was thanked for a job well done.

**9. Comments from the Mayor and Council**

Councilmember Garza: no comment.

Councilmember Strauss: no comment.

Councilmember Orsborn: provided an update of Boards and Commissions.

Councilmember McAchran: no comment.

Councilmember Heustis: thanked Police Department staff for their efforts related to reductions in crime; discussed the successful veterans event recently held and thanked staff for assisting with the event.

Vice Mayor Hess: thanked staff for a successful Buckeye Air Fair event; stated there will be an upcoming library anniversary event.

Mayor Meck: absent.

**10. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Councilmember Orsborn and seconded by Councilmember Heustis to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.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 Regular Council Meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016. I further certify that a quorum was present.

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Lucinda J. Aja, City Clerk