

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE ELOY CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ELOY
595 NORTH C STREET
APRIL 10, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

Staff Present: David Malewitz-City Manager; Stephen R. Cooper-City Attorney; Mary Myers-City Clerk; Brian Wright-Finance Director; Matt Rencher-Public Works Director/City Engineer; Christopher Vasquez-Police Chief; Sylvia Payne-HR Director; Paul Anchondo-Community Services Director; Jon Vlaming-Community Development Director; Roger Valdez-City Magistrate; Brian Jerome-Police Captain

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Micah Powell called the meeting to order at approximately 6:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Mayor Micah Powell, Vice Mayor Sylvia Guanajuato Rodriguez, Councilmember Sara Curtis, Councilmember George Reuter, Councilmember Dan Snyder, Councilmember Jose Garcia, Councilmember Michelle McKinley-Tarango

Council Members Absent: None

III. INVOCATION

Jaine Toth gave tonight's invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Powell led the Council and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

A. Scheduled - None

B. Unscheduled - None

VI. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Council Member Announcements

1. Councilmember Reuter announced that he would be resigning as Councilmember effective mid-June. He has relocated his business to Florida, which makes it very difficult for him to fulfill his duties and dedicate time to the City. Councilmember Reuter said as much as he loves Eloy, his company and employees have to come first.

Mayor Powell said he has sadly accepted Councilmember Reuter's resignation letter. He said filling Councilmember Reuter's seat will be tough to fill.

Councilmember Reuter said there are some good board and commission members who the Council should consider. And if not, he hopes they find someone in the community who wants a purpose and not a title.

Mayor Powell said Council will go into executive session at the April 24th meeting to discuss how to move forward with filling the seat.

Mayor Powell stated that Council will also be conducting a performance review of the city attorney in executive session at the April 24th meeting.

2. Councilmember Snyder gave a brief report on the March Pinal Partnership breakfast, he attended last week with the city's economic development specialist, Jeff Fairman. He said the Pinal County Board of Supervisors served as the panel. They talked about positive things happening in the county like parks, housing, the economy, and transportation.

B. Mayor Announcements

Mayor Powell made the following announcements:

- He was part of a video shoot today about economic development around Pinal County.
- A community meeting with the Pinal County Attorney and other county and local leaders was held March 30th at city hall. There was discussion on mental health, homelessness, and substance abuse in the area and what the community can do to help. Mayor Powell said he received a lot of positive feedback about the event.
- Anthony Amado, president of the Casa Grande Youth Coalition reached out to him about working with high school students to represent the Eloy community. Mayor Powell said now is the time to reach out to the high school to get the youth involved to become good servants for the community.

- The community services department annual Easter event was held on Friday at Jones Park and was well attended. Mayor Powell said approximately 3,000 to 5,000 plastic eggs were hidden. He said everyone had a great time.

C. City Manager Announcements

Mr. Malewitz conveyed the following announcements:

- The semi-annual Adopt a Street event will occur on Saturday, April 15th, starting at 7:00 a.m. at Shumway Park.
- Arizona @Work will be hosting a hiring event for Blattner Energy at city hall, May 4th, from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- He and Mr. Wright are having budget reviews with department heads this week.
- LED stop signs have been ordered for Battaglia Road and Frontier Street. Mr. Malewitz said Mr. Rencher anticipates the signs to be delivered and installed by next week.
- A special council meeting is scheduled for April 17th at 5:00 p.m., to hear funding requests from outside organizations for next budget year.

At the request of Councilmember Snyder, Mr. Malewitz gave a brief update to Council and the public on the City's plan and process for solar projects in Eloy.

Vice Mayor G. Rodriguez conveyed that she has received several complaints from residents who live in the proximity of 4th Street about foul odors emitting from their shower drains for a while. She said they have reached out to public works to expressed concerns.

Mr. Malewitz conveyed that the City is only responsible for issues at the street. Anything beyond the street onto the owner's property is the responsibility of the homeowner. He said residents would need to contact a plumber to have their drains inspected.

Mr. Rencher explained that the odor is coming from the lift station that is located just across the street from the residents. He said there is an 18 inch sewer line that comes in and at this time there is no flow going into the 18 inch line. He said the flow that is coming in is from a few truck stops, and so it just sits there and goes septic. Mr. Rencher said staff is looking at chemical alternatives to provide some additional oxidation in the lift station to help mitigate the odors. He said he is also encouraging residents to check their plumbing (P-Traps) to ensure they are functioning properly.

Proclamations

The city clerk read the following proclamations into the record:

1. Fair Housing Month
2. National Volunteer Week

3. National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

Chief Vasquez and Captain Jerome gave heartfelt thanks and appreciation to their volunteers and dispatchers for the great work they do to keep citizens and officers safe.

Mayor Powell also thanked the volunteers and dispatchers for their service to the community.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes: 3/27/2023 (regular)
- B. Authorize the acceptance of a proposal from E1 Audiovisual Technologies (E1) for \$38,131.10 for the installation of audio-visual equipment in the Community Room utilizing AZ State Contract No. ADSP017-184596.
- C. Consideration of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Town of Gilbert and the City of Eloy for Cooperative Law Enforcement Training Operations at the Gilbert Police Academy.

Mayor Powell asked Council if there were any corrections or item(s) to remove from the Consent Agenda.

With there being none, Mayor Powell called for a motion.

Motion by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Reuter to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented, passed unanimously by roll call vote (7-0).

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO DANSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF SUNLAND VISITOR CENTER PARK VIA JOB ORDER CONTRACT# 20-08-25.**

Staff Cover Sheet Report: *Staff recommends approval to award a contract to Danson Construction, LLC, for the construction of Sunland Visitor Center Park via Job Order Contract# 20-08-25.*

The Sunland Visitor Center is a popular destination for residents and tourists interested in obtaining general information on Pinal County and the surrounding area. The vacant city-owned land located directly to the west of the Visitor Center was identified as the future site of a new City Park, the Sunland Visitor Center Park. While City crews have enhanced the visibility of the Visitor Center by removing excess vegetation and shaping trees, the construction of a new "low maintenance"

park site would greatly benefit the area by improving aesthetics and offering seating, shaded areas, parking, and other amenities.

Adjacent to the Community's Visitor Center are two historical school buildings that hold great historical significance to Eloy's rich history. The two wooden schoolhouses were built on donated land in the late 1920s and served students from kindergarten through eighth grade. In June 2003, the Sunland Visitor Center took possession of the Old Toltec Primary School campus after signing a long-term lease with the Toltec school board. Because the buildings needed extensive renovation, the Santa Cruz Valley Historic Museum was formed to oversee their restoration and operation. In 2018, the City of Eloy acquired the museum, and funded and completed the restoration efforts. The buildings are now used as a multi-use museum and visitor center facility where artifacts of the past can bring history to life for the enjoyment and cultural environment of those who visit.

After a competitive procurement process, Cave Creek Unified School District, #93 ("Cave Creek") entered into a Job Order Contract, dated March 23, 2022, for Job Order Contracting Services-General Contractor (the "Contract") with the Job Order RFP#20-08-25. The City of Eloy will be utilizing this JOC for its construction contract.

Work to be completed will include, but is not limited to the following:

- Survey
- Grading Earthwork
- 2,095 SY 3" Decomposed Granit
- 67,900 SF 3/8" minus DG
- 6,894 SF 3/8" stabilized DG
- 900 SF concrete installation
- 18,850 compacted DG
- Ramada installation

It is recommended that the City approve the construction contract to Danson Construction, LLC in the amount of two hundred ninety-two thousand, two hundred thirty-nine dollars (\$292,239) as described above.

FISCAL IMPACT: *Not to exceed \$300,000. Funding has been budgeted and approved by the City Council through the City's Capital Improvement budget. The Finance Director concurs with this information.*

Mr. Anchondo gave a brief overview of his request for approval of a contract with Danson Construction to construct a park at the Sunland Visitor Center on Toltec Road. He said park amenities would include a ramada, park bench, picnic table and desert landscaping. Mr. Anchondo conveyed that to stay within the budget, there will be no park lighting at this time. He said lighting would be budgeted in next year's

CIP. Mr. Anchondo said it approved, work would begin in about three weeks and completed by June 30th.

The Council commended Mr. Anchondo for his efforts in finally bringing the project to fruition.

Councilmembers Snyder and Curtis pointed out the economic potential and the importance of developing the area for future development. They cited the recent installation of the Tesla charging stations and the Express Fuel truck stop. Constructing a park in front of the visitors center would help enhance the area and be a great place for people to walk to while their vehicle is being charged. It was suggested by Councilmember Curtis to have a sign about the park at the charging station.

Mayor Powell agreed with Council's comments. He asked Mr. Anchondo would the park be named after Dick Myers. Mayor Powell said at one time, there was a plan to name the park after him.

Mr. Anchondo said no. He said this may have been something Council discussed, but the original title of the park was Sunland Visitors Park.

Councilmember Reuter said Council may want to consider naming the bench after Mr. Myers. He said Mr. Myers was a big constituent who did a lot for the community.

Mr. Anchondo said this is something he can definitely look into if it is the desire of the Council.

Councilmember Tarango wanted to know would there be curbing or fencing to prevent vehicles from driving onto the park off of Toltec Road. She also wanted to know would the park equipment (bench, picnic table) be secured.

Mr. Anchondo said there would be no curbing or fencing around the park and park equipment would be bolted into concrete slabs.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Powell called for a motion.

Motion by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Curtis to award a contract to Danson Construction LLC for the construction of Sunland Visitor Center park via Job Order Contract #20-08-25, pass unanimously by roll call vote (7-0).

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mayor Powell and seconded by Councilmember Reuter to have an executive session at approximately 6:35 p.m., for approximately one (1) hour with the City Magistrate and City Clerk (transcribing), and if needed, the City Attorney and City Manager, for the purpose of:

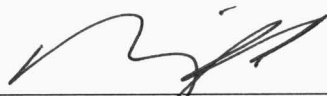
Conducting a performance evaluation including discussion and/or negotiation of salary and/or an employment contract of a public officer - City Magistrate, including legal advice (if requested by City Council) with City Attorney and possible contract negotiations, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(1), (3) and (4).

Motion passed unanimously (7-0)

Mayor Powell reconvened the public meeting at approximately 7:38 p.m.

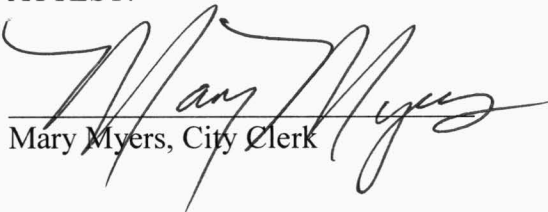
X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Powell adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:38 p.m.



Micah Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mary Myers, City Clerk

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE ELOY CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ELOY
595 NORTH C STREET
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023
5:00 P.M.**

Staff Present: David Malewitz-City Manager; Myers-City Clerk; Brian Wright-Finance Director

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Micah Powell called the meeting to order at approximately 5:12 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Mayor Micah Powell; Vice Mayor Sylvia G. Rodriguez; Councilmember George Reuter; Councilmember Sara Curtis; Councilmember Dan Snyder; Councilmember Jose Garcia; Councilmember Michelle Tarango

Council Members Absent: None

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Snyder led the Council and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

There were no appearances from the public.

V. BUSINESS

A. PRESENTATIONS FROM COMMUNITY AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES REQUESTING CITY FUNDING UNDER THE CITY OF ELOY COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM. THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION ALL REQUESTS FOR FUNDING AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING AMOUNTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ANNUAL BUDGET.

Staff Cover Sheet Report: *City Council will make recommendations for funding amounts to the designated community agencies presented before the city council so that appropriate funding amounts can be included in the proposed annual budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.*

The City solicited applications for the Community Outreach Program for FY 2023-2024 annual budget. The applications include information regarding the description of the event/program, identifying how the event strengthens community vitality and fosters community spirit, as well as an accounting of how the funds for FY 2023-2024 will be spent by their agency.

For the FY 2023-224 application cycle, a total of eight (8) applications for \$106,000 were received from outside agencies and organizations. There were six (6) reoccurring applicants and two (2) new applicants. Below are the applications staff has received:

<u>Contact Name</u>	<u>Agency/ Organization</u>	<u>Event/Function</u>	<u>Funding Request</u>	<u>In-Kind Services Requested</u>
Andrew Rodriguez	City Chamber of Commerce	Operating	\$46,000	\$0
Andrew Rodriguez	Sunland Visitor Center	Operating and Advertising	\$19,800	\$0
Gracey Lopez	Corazon De Latinos Unidos	Fiestas Patrias Event	\$10,000	\$4,742.40
Ralph Varela	Pinal Hispanic Council/Veterans Center	Wreaths Across America and Veterans Day	\$2,700	\$1,072.04
Ed Brown	The Hope Coalition	Education, Food & Assistance	\$5,500	\$0
Mary Lou Rosales	Community Action Human Resources-CAHRA	Utility Assistance	\$10,000	\$0
Violet Maestas	The Sparrow Campaign	Walk and 5k Run/Walk	\$2,000	\$1,199.04
Patricia King	Pinal Alliance for Economic Growth	Regional Economic Development	\$10,000	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT: *All applications total \$106,000. Council will approve the funding limits which will be part of the proposed annual budget for FY 23-24.*

The following organizations presented requests for city contributions and/or in-kind services for FY23-24 to the Council:

- Eloy Chamber of Commerce
- Sunland Visitor Center
- Corazon De Latinos Unidos
- Pinal Hispanic Council/Veterans Center
- The Hope Coalition
- Community Action Human Resources Agency (CAHRA)
- The Sparrow Campaign
- Pinal Alliance for Economic Growth

It was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to prepare and place on the April 24th regular Council meeting agenda, an action item for each individual organization for Council to formally consider for funding and in-kind services for FY23-24.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session requested by Council of staff.

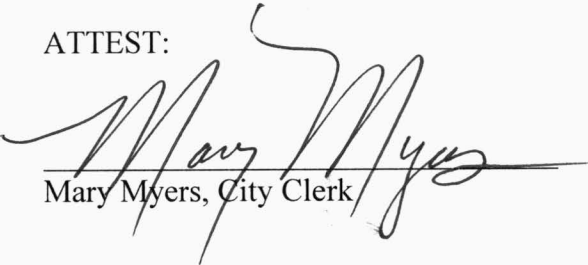
VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Powell adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:08 p.m.



Micah Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mary Myers, City Clerk