

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE ELOY CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF ELOY
595 NORTH C STREET
JANUARY 8, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

Staff Present: David Malewitz-City Manager, Mackenzie Letcher-Assistant City Manager, Stephen R. Cooper-City Attorney, Mary Myers-City Clerk, Sylvia Payne-HR Director; Brian Wright-Finance Director, Paul Anchondo-Community Services Director, Dan Symer-Community Development Director

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 Sara Curtis, Councilmember Andy Sutton, Councilmember Dan Snyder, Councilmember Jose Garcia, Councilmember Michelle McKinley-Tarango, Councilmember Sylvia G. Rodriguez

Council Members Absent: None

III. INVOCATION

Ms. Christina Bauta gave tonight's invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Sutton 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

There were no announcements.

B. Mayor Announcements

Mayor Powell conveyed that he would attending a SCMPO meeting tomorrow in Casa Grande.

C. City Manager Announcements

Mr. Malewitz made the following announcements:

- City offices will be closed January 15th, in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.
- Showed the recently launched updated city website to the council and public. Mr. Malewitz said he along with city staff members, Lorena LaSalde-Rios, Violet Maestas, and Jeremy Sammons worked on enhancing features and creating new ones to make the site more user-friendly and updated.

Council suggested some minor changes to the webpage which Mr. Malewitz made note of.

- Central Arizona Governments (CAG) annual Legislative Day at the state capital is slated for January 18th for elected officials.
- Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is starting a pavement preservation program. Night work will begin this week on Interstate 10 that will affect all city interchanges from Sunland Gin Road to Sunshine Boulevard.
- The groundbreaking ceremony for Exceptional Care Hospital will occur February 23rd. Mr. Malewitz said local, county and state dignitaries have been invited to attend. Lunch will be provided.
- Staff is finalizing the budget calendar. He confirmed the date of February 3rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a budget retreat with council and staff.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes: 12/11/2023 (regular)

Mayor Powell asked the council if there were any corrections or comments. There being none, he called for a motion.

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

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. APPROVAL OF A COMPREHENSIVE SIGN PACKAGE, CASE NO. CSP2023-056: APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY EFFECTIVE IMAGES ON BEHALF OF LOVE'S TRAVEL STOP IN CARE OF ANTHONY BEAVERS FOR A REQUEST TO ALLOW THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR THE NEW LOVE'S TRUCK STOP STORE TO BE LOCATED AT 2950 N. TOLTEC ROAD PROPOSING THE FOLLOWING: ONE (1) FREEWAY PYLON (HIGH-RISE) AT 1,240.36 SQUARE FEET AND 100 FEET HIGH, ONE (1) FREESTANDING AT 223.46 SQUARE FEET AND 25 FEET HIGH, BUILDING (WALL MOUNTED) SIGNS TOTALING 528.05 SQUARE FEET, TRUCK WASH (WALL MOUNTED) SIGNAGE TOTALING 184.46 SQUARE FEET, FUEL CANOPY SIGNS AT 187.12 SQUARE FEET, DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE TOTALING 104.66 SQUARE FEET, AND ONE (1) CAT SCALE SIGN AT 114.98 SQUARE FEET. ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBERS 403-23-002A AND 403-23-003B. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS IN A PORTION OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE GILA & SALT RIVER BASE & MERIDIAN, PINAL COUNTY, ARIZONA.**

Staff Cover Sheet Report: *Council approve the Comprehensive Sign Package for the new Love's Truck Stop, to be constructed at 2950 N. Toltec Road, Eloy, AZ 85131, to install the following signs as shown per the attachments:*

One (1) Freeway Pylon (High-rise) at 1,240.36 square feet and 100 feet high;

One (1) Freestanding at 223.46 square feet and 25 feet high;

Building (wall-mounted) signs totaling 528.05 square feet;

Truck Wash (wall mounted) signage totaling 184.46 square feet;

Fuel Canopy signs totaling 187.12 square feet;

Directional signage totaling 104.66 square feet; and

One (1) Cat Scale sign totaling 114.98 square feet.

This is a request from Love's Travel Stop & Country Stores, Inc., in care of Anthony Beavers, Love's Real Estate Project Manager, proposing a Comprehensive Sign Package (CSP) for the new Love's Travel Stop at the southwest corner of Toltec Road and Houser Road, just south of the I-10 freeway, Case No. CSP2023-056. The subject property is at 2950 N. Toltec Road, Eloy, AZ 85131, Pinal County Assessor's Parcel numbers 403-23-002A and 403-23-003B in the C-2, Community Commercial Zoning District.

Love's Travel Stop recently received their Site Plan approval for the new Love's Travel Stop truck stop with a convenience store and two restaurants with a drive-through window, a truck wash, a truck scale, and five (5) overnight RV parking spaces with water and electrical hookups and a pet relief area to the southeast of the truck wash building.

FISCAL IMPACT: *This will have a positive impact and would increase traffic and sales for the proposed truck stop and surrounding area.*

Mr. Malewitz provided the council and public with a brief overview of a comprehensive sign package for the Loves Travel Stop, that will be located at 2950 N. Toltec Road. Mr. Malewitz stated that Mr. Anthony Beavers from Loves Travel Stop is in attendance to answer questions from the council.

Mayor Powell asked Mr. Beavers when would construction begin.

Mr. Beavers conveyed that Loves does not know the construction date at this time. The company is currently working with ADOT on their request for a right-hand turn southbound on I-10.

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Sutton, and seconded by Councilmember G. Rodriguez, to approve a comprehensive sign package, Case No. CSP2003-056, for Effective Images on behalf of Loves Travel Stop, located at 2950 N. Toltec Road, passed unanimously by roll call vote (7-0).

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 24-953 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 21-908; CHAPTER 2 ARTICLE IV OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING THE PURPOSE, MEMBERSHIP, AND TERMS OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND BUREAUS SERVING THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR SEPARABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Cover Sheet Report: *Council adopt Ordinance No. 24-953, amending Ordinance No. 21-906, setting a term limit as to when a board or commission member is no longer eligible to serve on a board or commission for which he/she has served and termed out of after three (3) terms.*

On May 24, 2021, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 21-908, which established term limits for individuals appointed to serve on city boards and commissions. However, the issue of how long a termed-out board or commission member would have to wait before reapplying to serve on said board or commission was not addressed or memorialized in the ordinance.

At the November 27, 2023 meeting, staff presented an amended ordinance to address the matter. The amendment would allow a termed-out board or commission member to become eligible to reapply to serve on the same boards or commissions they were termed out of after one year of no longer serving. However, based on council discussion at that meeting, this is not what the council wanted. It was the consensus of the council to direct staff to amend the ordinance to make any board or commission member who has been termed out after serving three (3) terms no longer

eligible to serve on that board or commission in the future. If approved, the ordinance would become effective 30 days from the date of council approval.

This provision would not apply to members who serve as alternates on boards and commissions.

FISCAL IMPACT: *There is no fiscal impact.*

Mr. Cooper conveyed that revisions to the ordinance has been incorporated into the ordinance as directed by the council at the November 27, 2023, meeting. He said all voting members who serve on boards and commissions would be termed out after serving a maximum of three terms (consecutively or inconsecutively). These individuals would no longer be eligible to serve on said board or commission in the future.

Mayor Powell opened the floor for council comments and questions.

Councilmember Snyder said he initially had some concerns about term limits for boards and commissions that meet once or twice a year. However, looking back, the council has not really covered these boards. The boards and commissions covered in the ordinance meet regularly, which he is okay with. Councilmember Snyder said he supports the ordinance as presented.

There being no further comments or questions, Mayor Powell called for a motion to read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Snyder to read Ordinance No. 24-953 by title only, passed unanimously (7-0).

The city clerk read the ordinance title into the record.

Mayor Powell called for a motion.

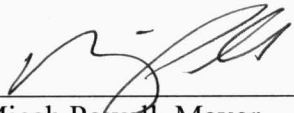
Motion by Councilmember Snyder, seconded by Vice Mayor Curtis to adopt Ordinance No. 24-953 as presented, passed unanimously by roll call vote (7-0).

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There were no requests from the council or city staff for an executive session.

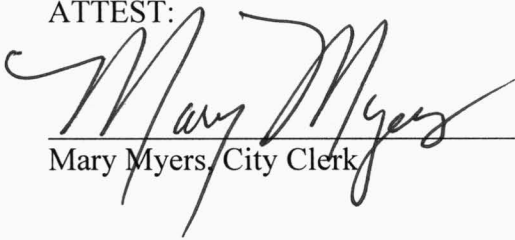
X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Powell adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:25 p.m.



Micah Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mary Myers, City Clerk