

COUNCIL MINUTES

June 4, 2018

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Special Council Meeting in the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on June 4, 2018 at 8:21 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

John Giles
David Luna
Christopher Glover
Mark Freeman
Francisco Heredia
Kevin Thompson
Jeremy Whittaker

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady
Dee Ann Mickelsen
Jim Smith

1. Conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Secondary Property Tax Levy, and take action on the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget.

1-a. A public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Secondary Property Tax Levy.

Mayor Giles announced that this is the time and place for a public hearing regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-19 Secondary Property Tax Levy.

Councilmember Whittaker commented that the shortsightedness involved in the budget process is concerning, such as taking out a 20-year bond to pay for projects like the Arizona State University (ASU) facility. He stated the opinion that to budget the first five years or 25% of the costs and ignore the remaining 75% is irresponsible. He stated that the forecasted five-year budget is structurally imbalanced, and that the City spends more than the revenues it receives. He noted that by FY 2023/24 the City will have a \$4 million deficit and the reserve balance will be depleted to the minimal allowable percent. He concluded by stating that he will not be supporting the budget.

There being no additional public comment, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

- 1-b. A resolution approving the budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2019. – Resolution No. 11163.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Luna, seconded by Councilmember Glover, that Resolution No. 11163 be adopted.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

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NAYS – Whittaker

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Without objection, the Special Session adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK




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