

COUNCIL MINUTES

June 6, 2022

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Study Session in the lower-level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on June 6, 2022, at 5:15 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Jennifer Duff
Mark Freeman
Francisco Heredia
David Luna*
Julie Spilsbury
Kevin Thompson

COUNCIL ABSENT

John Giles

OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady
Holly Moseley
Jim Smith

(*Participated in the meeting through the use of video conference equipment.)

Vice Mayor Duff conducted a roll call.

Vice Mayor Duff excused Mayor Giles from the entire meeting.

1. Review and discuss items on the agenda for the June 6, 2022, Regular and Special Council meetings.

All of the items on the agenda were reviewed among Council and staff and the following was noted:

Conflict of interest: none

Items removed from the consent agenda: None

City Manager Christopher Brady provided a summary regarding Item 1, **(Conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget and the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-23 Secondary Property Tax Levy, and take action on the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget.)**, on the Special Council meeting agenda, and pointed out budget items for fiscal year (FY) 2022/2023 include:

- Additional officers and firefighters and scheduling more academies to keep up with retirements and attrition.
- Additional staff positions for the Domestic Violence Court.
- Proposal to double funding for street maintenance to allocate more resources.
- \$10 million for Climate Action Plan implementation.
- Transit pilot program; adding bus shelters throughout the system.
- Addition of a special events office.

- 4% step pay increase for eligible employees.
- \$2,000 one-time payment to employees.
- \$500 incentive based on attendance for sworn personnel.
- Pipelines bringing re-use water to Gila community.

In response to a request from Councilmember Freeman asking for clarification on the reduced tax levy, Mr. Brady explained the City has been conservative in its collection estimates, while acknowledging that projects and schedules were delayed. He noted the City has built a reserve, which is why the tax rate can be reduced and still meet the City's debts and obligations.

2. Current events summary including meetings and conferences attended.

Councilmember Spilsbury – KP Aviation ribbon cutting

3. Scheduling of meetings.

City Manager Christopher Brady stated that the schedule of meetings is as follows:

Thursday, June 16, 2022, 7:30 a.m. – Study Session

Thursday, June 16, 2022, 7:30 a.m. – CFD-Eastmark 1 & 2

4. Adjournment.

Without objection the City Council study session adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

JENN DUFF, VICE MAYOR

ATTEST:

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Study Session of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 6th day of June 2022. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

HOLLY MOSELEY, CITY CLERK

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