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#### I. PROCEDURES

A. Call to Order 7:00 PM

Mayor Moore called the meeting to order.

B. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

The pledge of allegiance was recited, and the invocation was provided.

C. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Moore, Vice-Mayor Don Dent, Councilmember Mike Cowen, Councilmember Craig Fritsinger, Councilmember Bernie Hiemenz, Councilmember Frank McNelly, and Councilmember Lee Payne. Present City Staff, City Manager Tim Pettit, Finance Director Barbara Bell, and City Clerk/HR Director Pamela Galvan.

D. Approval of Minutes for June 21, Work Session, and June 23, 2022, regular meeting.

Motion: To approve the Minutes for June 21, Work Session, and June

23, 2022, regular meeting.

Action: Approved

Moved by Councilmember Fritsinger, Seconded by Councilmember

Hiemenz

Motion passed unanimously.

E. Adopt Agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented.

Action: Adopted

Moved by Vice Mayor Dent, Seconded by Councilmember Cowen

Motion passed unanimously.

II. PRESENTATIONS — Pat and Dale Mee are here to express their desire to expand their Stagecoach business territory.

Patricia provided a handout to the Councilmembers and proceeded to read to the Council her letter of request. (The Clerk retained a copy of her letter to be kept on file.)

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After her completion of the reading, the Mayor addressed the Council informing them to ask questions if they would like.

Vice Mayor Dent pointed out that they did this agreement with Tim Pettit with an understanding of what the parameters were. Mrs. Mee replied, yes, back in April or May. He pointed out that as the City Manager, he has the authority to ok an agreement like that without bringing it to Council. The Vice Mayor's concern is that if it had been brought to Council then it may have not been approved. The city has not had great experiences at all with other horse-drawn carriages going up and downtown. He realizes that they may be a different operator but it is not the operator, it's the horse-drawn carriage itself. The interference with the tourist walking the traffic; in lots of places, you would not be able to pull over. He wouldn't have agreed to have this business if it had been brought to Council.

Councilmember McNelly added, that he is in the ranching business and horses are horses, and tourists are tourists. His point is that horses can be unpredictable.

Mayor Moore referred this back to staff to handle for further discussion.

Sharron F. of Williams spoke in favor of Pat and Dales Stagecoach's business and feels it is an asset to the town.

## III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

### IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS -

- A. Approval of check register for the month ending June 30, 2022.
- B. Approval of Purchase Orders.

Motion: To approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Moved by Vice Mayor Dent, Seconded by Councilmember Fritsinger.

Motion passed unanimously

### V. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

#### CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING - 7:16 PM

Pursuant to A.R. S. #38-431.02, a Public Hearing will be held on the Tentative Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget so the public will be informed and has an opportunity to ask questions and offer input.

#### RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING - 7:16 PM

C. Council will consider and take action regarding approving the tentative Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget for publication.

**Motion:** To approve the tentative Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget in the amount of \$36,396,932.00 for publication.

Moved by Councilmember Fritsinger, Seconded by Councilmember Hiemenz. Motion passed unanimously

D. Consideration and action with the designation of the City of Williams being the official Destination Marketing Organization (DMO) to coordinate tourism promotion with the Arizona Office of Tourism (AOT).

**Motion:** To designate the City of Williams as the DMO to coordinate tourism promotion with the AOT.

**Moved by** Councilmember Cowen, **Seconded by Councilmember** McNelly. **Motion passed unanimously** 

E. Consideration and action with a presentation from the Christmas Committee for the 2022/2023 season.

Michael Vasquez of the Christmas Committee announced that the theme this year is "Wild West Christmas" and the Mountain Men will be the showcase this year.

- He thanked the city for the work the crews do to help in making this happen, and for the access to electrical.
- · Sylvia is going to add the Santaland to this event at the shed.
- · He went through the plans for the day of the event.
- He presented the addition of décor to the light posts on the main street with dawn to dusk lighting sensors.
- They want to create a corridor coming into Williams

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- An addition of 2,000 more lights to the existing lights.
- He would like to extend the contract an additional 1 year to match up with the new lighting proposal.

Mayor Moore would like to see merchants in town participate in the costs; the Vice Mayor was in agreement. It gives the merchants a feel of participation and helps offset some of the costs. Michael said they do have participation from some of the merchants.

Councilmember Fritsinger inquired if they have looked into a lease-to-purchase proposal. Mr. Vasquez stated not saying anything against the city workers but they are not qualified to decorate and maintain the décor. We have seen in the past how décor was handled. Councilmember Fritsinger asked if we have a purchase agreement to buy? Mr. Vasquez replied no.

Vice Mayor Dent said the timing of this and having just finished our budgeting for next year, asking the council to agree to an additional \$22,000.00 per year, maybe we should go out to bid. We should look at the current lease before we extend the current agreement. We need to get bids. Mr. Vasquez noted that he has looked and no one else does this like this. Vice Mayor said we need to look at the taxpayer dollars; bids are needed.

Councilmember Cowen said the next step is to get bids while we have 2 more years left with the current agreement.

Michael will work with Tim on this.

# VI. REPORTS, CURRENT EVENTS, AND INFORMATION ITEMS

# **Mayor and Council**

 Home Rule is on the ballot this year we need to be talking about it with the public, it will be critical for the operation of the city.

Staff - None

VII. ADJOURN 7:37 PM

Mayor John W. Moore

#### CITY OF WILLIAMS CITY COUNCIL

ANNOTATED MINUTES AGENDA ITEM

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ATTEST:	
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City Clerk Pamela Galvan	

## **CERTIFICATION**

State of Arizona,	)	
	)	SS.
Coconino County,	)	

I, PAMELA GALVAN, do hereby certify that I am the City Clerk of the City of Williams, County of Coconino, State of Arizona and that the above Minutes are a true and correct summary of the Meeting of the Council of the City of Williams held on July 14, 2022. I further certify that the Meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 16th day of July 2022.

City Clerk Pamela Galvan