

CITY OF WILLIAMS CITY COUNCIL

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**JUNE 28 2012
COUNCIL ACTION**

I. PROCEDURES:

- A. Call to Order Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Pledge and Invocation Paul led the pledge of allegiance, and Alyson Fritsinger offered the invocation.
- C. Roll Call Mayor John Moore and Councilmen Don Dent, Bernie Hiemenz, Frank McNelly, Craig Fritsinger, Lee Payne, and James Wurgler were present and constituted a quorum.
Present from City Staff were Brandon Buchanan, City Manager, and Administrative Assistant Pamela Galvan.
President/CEO of the Williams-Grand Canyon Chamber of Commerce Gioia Goodrum was present.
City Attorney Kellie Peterson was not present.
- D. Approval of Minutes June 14, 2012 Councilman McNelly made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Fritsinger seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
- E. Adoption of Agenda Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to adopt the Agenda as presented. Councilman Dent seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

II. PRESENTATIONS

None

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Purchase Orders It is noted that back-up to the city purchase orders were missing; specifically orders 10204, 10219 and 10229. It will be looked into.
Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to hold back the three purchase orders until we get back-up, approving the rest of them. Councilman Dent seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

- B. Swearing-in of Councilman Jim Wurgler Mayor Moore swore-in James Wurgler at 7:04 p.m.

V. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

- C. Council will discuss and may approve a JPA for Route 66 NACOG project: B Buchanan
- Councilman Dent confirmed that this will just start the process; construction work would likely not begin until next year. Brandon Buchanan noted that it may begin next summer; it just depends on the funding of it, but design work will start sooner.
 - Councilman McNelly verified the location and spoke of Mr. Purdy and his project.

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- Scope of project is Pine to ADOT yard; we still need to obtain environmental clearance for the area, then depending on the bids that come back, we can adjust the actual scale of the project to stay within budget.
- Councilman McNelly inquired if there is the possibility to change the proposal to do something else. Brandon Buchanan noted that this JPA is specifically for the Route 66 project.

Councilman Dent made a motion to approve the IGA between the City of Williams in the State of Arizona for the Route 66 project. Councilman Hiemenz seconded the motion. It carried 6-0.

D. Council will review and may approve an Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for Events Plaza management: B Buchanan

- Councilman McNelly questioned use of the stage for political rallies, public protest.
- Gioia Goodrum stated, "Probably not". The purpose of the stage is for the community, i.e., not for profits, like Kiwanis, BBQ competitions, and concerts. The Chamber does not endorse political groups, activities or candidates.
- It is noted that the City may have policy in place that speaks on political issues. It will be reviewed.
- There was additional discussion on the stages use.
- Councilman Fritsinger inquired on insurance liability. Gioia noted that the City and Chamber are named as additionally insured.
- Councilman McNelly brought up fees and the possibility of waiving them.
- Gioia explained the fees: \$300.00 stage rental, \$50.00 water and electrical. There was further discussion of fees and the need to discuss them further.
- Mayor Moore brought up the possibility of individuals coming in and just playing.
- McNelly inquired if the Chamber intended to make money.
- Gioia does not feel that it would be a money maker.
- Councilman Fritsinger clarified the fees: stage fee, water fee and electrical fee; stage fee is variable.
- Gioia went over trash collection.
- Mayor Moore asked to run through the rental process.
- Gioia noted fees: \$300.00 dollars for the rental of the stage, a \$100.00 dollar deposit along with paperwork and provide them with an certificate of insurance naming the Chamber and the City as additionally insured. Trash removal, police, and alcohol distribution/licenses could be other items discussed.

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- It was noted that the Mark Chestnut concert promoters paid for police security; paid them directly. The trash and clean up afterwards are bundled into service we provide knowing that we are not going to make-up the monies.
- Mayor Moore brought up the lack of term in the contract; Brandon will have it read “one” year term.
- Gioia noted how well the coordination went with the promoters and that they would like to return next year.
- A question regarding the “possibility that one evening a group comes, jumps on stage, begins playing (no electrical used) and a crowd develops, are they going to be run off?” Gioia noted the liability issues. Councilman Wurgler confirmed that then in fact they would be run off. Councilman Dent noted, “That if it is not an organized event, we would be held liable regardless, just like kids playing ball on the ball field when there is no league game going on.”
- There was extensive discussion on the intent of the stage and that it was built to mirror another in Texas that has musicians playing all day long.
- Gioia brought the attention back to liability issue.

Councilman Wurgler made a motion to approve the agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for Events Plaza management. Councilman Fritsinger seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

E. Council will review and may approve an agreement with Waste Management for depositing solid waste at their west Flagstaff facility: B Buchanan

- Mayor Moore briefly went through the description.
- Terra Posthumus from Waste Management spoke on the rates and the discussion that had taken place. Transfer station rates are generally always higher than landfill rates; in this case, theirs are still lower than the landfill rates at Cinder Lakes. There is a lot of cost involved in transporting trash to the landfill, which is part of the reason for only being able to go down to \$40.00 dollars per ton; they provided the best possible rate that they could. Terra continued to explain the rates and benefits to the Council.
- Bill Day noted when you see our facility right off the highway, that is where the drop off is, that is an 18- mile savings to the city. He offered us a card reader to gain 24-hour access to the facility. He noted the everyday savings with travel time. Also, the current gate rate is \$42.00 a ton, plus 27% fuel and environmental fees which brings it to \$52.00 to \$53.00 dollars a ton. He went on to explain that they have run the numbers and really believe that with the use of their facility we would see the benefit of using a much closer facility. We may try their facility on a temporary basis

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if we like. They are offering a long-term rate to the city.

- Mayor Moore brought up the recyclables trash.
- Terra went over solid waste vs. acceptable recyclables and how it is handled at their facility.
- Bill Day spoke of their mining operation/scavenging and how the facility handles recyclables that make their way into the trash. Also, he spoke of their other locations and length of time service would be available.
- Councilman Hiemenz asked Brandon Buchanan if we could go back to the county in a year.
- Brandon noted that it is a non-exclusive contract. Flagstaff's door is always open.
- Budget was brought into question and how it would be affected.

A motion was discussed.

Councilman McNelly made a motion to enter into the agreement with Waste Management for refuse disposal. Councilman Wurgler seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

F. Council may appoint a City Council member as City representative to the Theme Park District Board of Directors: J Moore

- Mayor Moore said it is time to appoint someone in the tax district. One from the City of Williams council, one from the State Senate and two from the City Council in Phoenix. It is beneficial to us and Mayor recommends Craig Fritsinger be appointed to the Theme Park District Board of Directors.

Councilman Wurgler made a motion to appoint Craig Fritsinger to the Theme Park District Board of Directors. Councilman Hiemenz seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

G. Discussion and possible decisions regarding the recruiting process for the Finance Director position: B Buchanan

- Mayor Moore noted that it is pretty self-explanatory and would like a motion and to move forward.
- Councilman Dent mentioned who would be sitting in on the interview.
- Mayor Moore suggested that Brandon Buchanan narrow down the candidates to five or six because the individual will work with and report to him.
- Councilman Dent likes the idea of sitting in on the interviews.
- When Brandon schedules the interview he will let Council know a week ahead of time; not more than 4 to 6 candidates are expected to be interviewed.

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VI. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

- H. Mayor and Council
 - Mayor had nothing to report with the exception that at NACOG they knew we are going to be in need of a Finance Director.
 - Mayor Moore noted that he sees more people in this town than he has in the past.
 - Councilman Payne asked that Brandon Buchanan commend Gene Owens and his staff as they did a great job getting the 9&10 year olds' all-star tournament here; it was packed. They have heard nothing but compliments on how nice it is up here and how they want to come back.
- I. Staff Reports
 - Brandon Buchanan emailed out his report.
 - Gioia Goodrum thanked the City for its help with the BBQ and reminded Council of the parade this Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. Vintage baseball league will play at 1:00 and an ice cream social will be held at the Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. on the 4th of July.
 - Councilman Dent confirmed that the tractor drivers for the parade are coming back and noted he was glad to have them back.
- J. Purchase Orders Report None
- X. **ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Mayor John Moore

ATTEST:

Administrative Assistant for City Clerk