

CITY OF WILLIAMS CITY COUNCIL

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**MARCH 13, 2014
COUNCIL ACTION**

I. PROCEDURES:

- A. Call to Order Mayor Moore called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- B. Pledge and Invocation Jason Engelke led the pledge of allegiance, and Bud Parenteau offered the invocation.
- C. Roll Call Mayor John Moore, Vice Mayor Don Dent, and Councilmen Craig Fritsinger, Bernie Hiemenz, Frank McNelly, Lee Payne and James Wurgler were present and constituted a quorum.
Present from City Staff were Brandon Buchanan, City Manager, Finance Director Keith Buonocore, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Jim Courchaine, Planner/Abatement Coordinator Harry Holmes, Magistrate Rob Krombeen, and City Clerk/HR Director Susan Kerley.
Kellie Peterson, representing Mangum, Wall, Stoops and Warden, was present.
- D. Approval of Minutes February 27 and March 6, 2014 Councilman McNelly made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilman Fritsinger seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
- E. Adopt Agenda Councilman Hiemenz made a motion to adopt the Agenda, and Councilman McNelly seconded the motion. It carried 6-0.

II. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Approval of Purchase Orders: K. Buonocore Councilman Fritsinger made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.
- B. Approval of Check Register for Month Ending February 28, 2014: K. Buonocore Councilman Hiemenz seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

V. NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- C. Council may adopt Resolution No. 1302, approving and authorizing the purchase of a sanitation truck: J. Moore Councilman Dent made a motion to read Resolution No. 1302 by number and title only, and it was seconded by Councilman Hiemenz. It carried 6-0. Susan Kerley the Resolution by number and title only.
Councilman Dent made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 1302 as presented. Councilman Hiemenz seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
- D. Council may appoint Barbara Brutvan and Tony Robertson to the Planning & Zoning Commission and Mayor Moore thanked Ms. Brutvan and Mr. Robertson for being the first to submit their applications following the resignation of two P & Z Commissioners. Councilman McNelly made a motion to appoint Ms. Brutvan and Mr. Robertson as Planning & Zoning Commissioners and Mr. Engelke as an Airport Advisory Committee

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- Jason Engelke to Member. Councilman Payne seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
the Airport
Advisory
Committee: J.
Moore
- E. Council may Susan Kerley noted that the requirements for posting notice for 20
approve a recommendation to days had been met, and no responses were received. John Kennelly
to the Department of added that stacking two licenses will give them the ability serve wine
Liquor Licenses and and beer. Councilman McNelly made a motion to recommend
Control to approve approval of the license to the Department of Liquor Licenses &
a Series 13 License Control for 138 W. Route 66. Councilman Payne seconded the
(Domestic Farm motion, and it carried 6-0.
Winery) for John
Kennelly/ Grand
Canyon Winery,
138 W. Route 66:
S. Kerley
- F. Council will review Councilman Dent admitted he was shocked that Rick Stephens was
and may approve able to secure a renewal from Travelers at a premium that will be
insurance coverage \$5,000 less than the expiring one. He congratulated Rick and Susan
proposal for Kerley on their work to accomplish this renewal. Councilman Dent
4/01/2014 – 2015 made a motion to renew Travelers insurance coverage for 2014-2015.
from Rick Councilman Payne seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.
Stephens, NFP: S.
Kerley
- G. Council will Mayor Moore thanked Kiwanis for cleaning up the Swap Meet and
consider and may said it was better last year.
approve a request Bud Parenteau, representing the Kiwanis' Club, announced that the
from Kiwanis to event would be known as the "Kiwanis Route 66 Street Market."
carry on annual Scholarships were reduced because of lower revenues last year,
Street Markets: Pat which was a direct result of no dry camping. They were asking to
Schlecht, President- change that and allow dry camping. They have made approximately
Elect \$100,000 from this event over the years, and all of it has gone for
scholarships to kids in the community. Last year revenues were
down 27% from the previous year. They would ask dry campers to
camp in the back of the property, not on the street. If required, they
would put up a temporary, split-rail fence.
Councilman Dent clarified: You want campers to be able to stay
Friday and Saturday plus one more night if there's a holiday on
Monday or Friday. The issue was those camping longer than the
event lasted.
Mayor Moore asked if Council could decide or does the camping

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Ordinance prohibit action? Councilman McNelly said that whether it's the swap meet or rodeos, events themselves sanction camping. Kellie Peterson said her concern is what kind of sanitation facilities are available. Bud Parenteau responded that City bathrooms and business bathrooms are available.

Pat Schlecht, representing the Kiwanis, added that for every local person, 10-12 visitors stop and shop. They would hope to do without the fence because it would cost at least \$750 (the equivalent of one scholarship). It may take a couple of years to build the event up again. They are asking for a three-year period during which they can keep improving the event each year. Bud Parenteau added that, if extended for three years, only a 30-day notice to vacate would be o.k.

Councilman Dent made a motion approving Kiwanis' Swap Meet in the same location on West Railroad Avenue for three years, allow dry camping on the nights during the event, and not require a fence.

Councilman Fritsinger seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

- H. Council will review progress and may direct Staff on water issues: B. Buchanan

Jim Courchaine reported that tomorrow the Rodeo Well will be videotaped. This will take two to three days. Rather than outsourcing the water quality testing, City employees will take the samples to save money. The estimate is for \$80,000 to run the pump for 30 days and \$100,000 to mobilize/demobilize the pump. Brandon Buchanan added that he will work on getting a formal proposal for the well evaluation and that he should have that by the next meeting.

Mayor Moore said that he, Councilman Dent, Brandon Buchanan, and Kellie Peterson met today with representatives of Arizona Department of Water Resources. The Mayor felt better with assurance of the Director that he will contact SRP to set up a meeting for them. Then they met with WIFA and had a brief discussion concerning possible funding for water supply projects. They also met with some state legislators to let them know we have some water issues.

Regarding the potential meter replacement program, 21 residential meters, none commercial, were tested. Three were deemed acceptable and 18 unacceptable. The total average under-registering was 28%. We have 1,000 to 1,050 meters. A replacement meter would run \$175, plus MXU and saddles. There are 200-300 that represent a greater expense because they cannot be replaced without replacing the piping to the main. The average, usual life expectancy of meters is now 10 years. Councilman Dent understood that 30-50 meters had been replaced each year for some years past. Jim Courchaine replied that this was not the case: Approximately 20-30 meters a year have been replaced.

Brandon Buchanan pointed out that the financing part will be

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difficult. There's not enough money coming in from water to pay for water itself. This will be a tough conversation as no one wants to raise rates. One way to raise money is to meter and bill accurately. Councilman Dent asked that Council receive a report on the meters, and Mayor Moore requested a report of how many meters have actually been installed in recent years.

- I. Council will review and may approve Ordinance No. 940, amending Title 8, Chapter 4 of the City Code pertaining to Water Related Emergencies: J. Moore

Councilman Payne wanted to make certain this includes the high school fields. Brandon Buchanan and Kellie Peterson replied that the intent was to include the sports fields in an effort to balance the benefit to the public until it comes down to the point where the City Manager may say the need to conserve water outweighs the need to keep the grass green.

Public Participant Duane Weston of 508 N. Humphrey, Flagstaff, AZ, attorney, spoke: On issuing building permits, he believes there to be a question of fairness for everyone who lives here now to allow others to come in. When you're in the hole, you stop digging. The City may want to find out how much water is available. Others in town have invested in landscaping, and theirs will die. This puts pressure on those already here. Businesses already here you're asking to use no more water than last year. They want to grow and use more water. If permits are issued, you'll be punishing those already here. If new businesses build and come in for water, will there be enough water for new businesses to open? You want to be careful how building permits are issued – this could be a problem. Last week, you talked about issuing permits to raise revenue. The State raised sales tax by 1% temporarily till necessary revenues were raised. He thinks Council needs to think through this decision. Council went from normal water use to level 4 restrictions. Why such a jump? A regional water study is to be done – City may want to join it. Does the City know the commitments for water it has already made and has that been factored into requirements? He would like Council to consider the situation carefully.

Councilman Dent told Mr. Weston that he had covered so many rumors, no one knew where to start with a response.

Councilman Payne explained that restrictions rose from Level 1 to Level 4 because we've had little snow. Had there been more, restrictions would have been increased to Level 2 or Level 3.

Responding to a request to read Ordinance No. 940, Kellie Peterson reviewed the pertinent sections in Article 8-04.08, (C) (3), (D) (2), and (5).

Councilman Wurgler made a motion to read Ordinance No. 940 by number and title only, and it was seconded by Councilman Dent. The motion carried 6-0, and Susan Kerley read Ordinance No. 940 by

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number and title only. Councilman Wurgler made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 940, and it was seconded by Councilman Dent. The motion carried 6-0.

- J. Council may review and discuss revisions to Title 12, Chapter 13 of the City Code, pertaining to Permitted Signs: B. Buchanan
Mayor Moore encouraged Councilmen to review this document prior to their March 27th meeting when it will come before them for adoption. Brandon Buchanan noted that it has already been reviewed by the Historic Preservation Commission with suggestion for one minor change. It is on P & Z's Agenda for March 20th and scheduled for consideration by Council on March 27th.

VI. REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

- K. Mayor and Council
 - Mayor Moore thanked Don Dent, Brandon Buchanan and Kellie Peterson for spending all day in Phoenix in meetings.
 - Councilman McNelly had a question for Judge Krombeen: Any ideas on how to beef up security at the Court? The Judge said they're having keyless locks installed on interior doors, and they're approaching Coconino County to expand the hours for which they provide funding for a bailiff from 19 to 25 hours. When the Court is open to the public, security funding is available for security projects.

- L. Staff Reports *NONE*

VII. ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Mayor John Moore

ATTEST:

City Clerk