

**MINUTES
ORO VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR AND STUDY SESSION
MARCH 6, 2024
ORO VALLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
11000 N. LA CAÑADA DRIVE**

REGULAR SESSION AT OR AFTER 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Winfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor
Melanie Barrett, Vice-Mayor
Tim Bohen, Councilmember
Harry Greene, Councilmember
Joyce Jones-Ivey, Councilmember
Josh Nicolson, Councilmember
Steve Solomon, Councilmember

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Winfield led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

UPCOMING MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Clerk Mike Standish announced the upcoming Town Meetings and the Oro Valley Path Forward Community Events.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Councilmember Jones-Ivey encouraged citizens to volunteer for Project Graduation and to participate in their workdays.

Councilmember Greene reported that he attended the Sun City Vistoso Board Meeting as a guest, where he learned about all the exciting things happening there. Councilmember Greene also reported that the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base hosted the Heritage Flight Training Course which took place February 29 - March 3, 2024.

Mayor Winfield reported that he and his wife had participated in the *Move Across 2 Ranges* event, held on February 23, 2024. The event was held in partnership between the Town of Marana and Oro Valley Parks and Recreation.

Mayor Winfield encouraged citizens to participate in the Oro Valley's 50th Anniversary Parade, to be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

Town Manager Jeff Wilkins reported that the 9-hole Pusch Ridge Golf Course remained open as a result of a solution from staff, Indigo Golf and others.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mayor Winfield reviewed the order of business and stated that the order would remain as posted.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Oro Valley resident Jack Arnold voiced his concerns regarding citizens utilizing his private property.

Mayor Winfield requested that staff schedule a meeting with him, the Town Manager, and Mr. Arnold.

Oro Valley resident Tim Tarris voiced his concerns regarding the proposed Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene project.

Oro Valley resident Anthony Ferrara voiced his concerns regarding the proposed Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene project.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation - National Procurement Month

Mayor Winfield proclaimed the month of March 2024 as National Procurement Month.

Chief Procurement Officer Cheri Odeski accepted the proclamation and provided a brief overview of the Town's procurement process.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes - February 16 and February 21, 2024
- B. Final Plat approval of an 18-lot residential subdivision located on the east corner of Rancho Vistoso Blvd. and Morning Vista Drive (Case No. 2302435)

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Consent items (A) and (B).

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

REGULAR AGENDA

1. RESOLUTION NO. (R)24-07, PROVIDING NOTICE OF INTENT TO INCREASE THE POTABLE WATER BASE RATES, INCREASE THE POTABLE WATER COMMODITY RATES AND INCREASE THE POTABLE GROUNDWATER PRESERVATION FEE FOR THE ORO VALLEY WATER UTILITY

Water Utility Director Peter Abraham presented item #1 and included the following:

- Notice of Intent to increase water rates
- Rate Drives
- Proposed Potable Water Rates and Fees
- Potable Water Cost Comparisons
- Schedule

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding item #1.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett to approve Resolution No. (R)24-07, providing notice of intent to increase the potable water base rates, increase the potable water commodity rates and increase potable groundwater preservation fee for the Oro Valley Water Utility.

Discussion continued amongst Council and staff regarding item #1.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett to approve Resolution No. (R)24-07, providing notice of intent to increase the potable water base rates, increase the potable water commodity rates and increase potable groundwater preservation fee for the Oro Valley Water Utility.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE VISTOSO TRAILS NATURE PRESERVE

Vice Mayor Barrett introduced the item and explained the reason it was requested. Vice Mayor Barrett also included the following:

- Romspen Rezoning Proposal
- 2018 Timeline
- 2019 Timeline
- 2020 Timeline
- 2021 Timeline
- 2022 Timeline
- 2023 Timeline
- 2024 Timeline
- Town Council Motions
- Survey Results
- Current Proposed Budget

The following individuals spoke in support of item #2.

Oro Valley resident Shirl Lamonna
Oro Valley resident Joseph Affiniti
Oro Valley resident Tom Breadon
Oro Valley resident Marcia Sieben

Oro Valley resident Bill O'Donnell
Oro Valley resident Tom Stegman
Oro Valley resident Matt Wood
Oro Valley resident Gerald Bren
Oro Valley resident Rosa Dailey
Oro Valley resident Phil Zielinski
Oro Valley resident Patricia Sturmon
Oro Valley resident Charles Stack
Oro Valley resident Terry Hart
Oro Valley resident Mark Enzor
Oro Valley resident Joe Bell
Oro Valley resident Bruce Baier
Oro Valley resident Richard Beam

John Welch, of Archeology Southwest, spoke regarding the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Councilmember Nicolson explained the reason he requested the item.

Motion by Councilmember Josh Nicolson, **seconded by** Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett to allocate \$2,000,000 in the fiscal year 2024/2025 budget, for the re-vegetation of the Vistoso Nature Trails Preserve grounds and beautification of the pond area. In addition, we should pursue grant funding to supplement this allocation.

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Motion by Councilmember Josh Nicolson, **seconded by** Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett to allocate \$2,000,000 in the fiscal year 2024/2025 budget, for the re-vegetation of the Vistoso Nature Trails Preserve grounds and beautification of the pond area. In addition, we should pursue grant funding to supplement this allocation.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Mayor Winfield recessed the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Mayor Winfield reconvened the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR SESSION

STUDY SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Winfield called the study session to order at 8:28 p.m.

STUDY SESSION AGENDA

1. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING A POTENTIAL ZONING CODE AMENDMENT REGARDING VEHICLE STORAGE FACILITIES

Planner Alex Chavez presented Study Session item #1 and included the following:

- Purpose
- Key Zoning Code Definitions
- Vehicle Storage Facilities
- Existing Code
- Research
- Potential Amendments
- Potential Code Amendments
- Discussion and Feedback

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding the potential zoning code amendment regarding vehicle storage facilities.

Council provided feedback and guidance to staff regarding the potential zoning code amendment regarding vehicle storage facilities.

Council requested that Town Attorney Nathan Rosthchild provide the Council with a legal analysis concerning what other municipalities had done with regard to changing requirements as it relates to land use.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Winfield adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Michelle Stine, MMC
Deputy Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular and study session of the Town of Oro Valley Council of Oro Valley, Arizona held on the 6th day of March 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Mike Standish, CMC
Town Clerk