

**MINUTES
ORO VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 18, 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 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor
Melanie Barrett, Vice-Mayor
Tim Bohlen, Councilmember
Harry Greene, Councilmember
Joyce Jones-Ivey, Councilmember (attended via Zoom)
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

Vice Mayor Barrett recognized Addison Branski, a fifth grader at Innovation Academy, for her academic excellence and community involvement.

Councilmember Greene reported that he and Mayor Winfield had attend the Town of Sahuarita's 30th birthday celebration.

Mayor Winfield reported that he and his wife Mariann had participated in the *9/11 Tower Challenge*, which was held in memory of first responders and military personnel who had tragically lost their lives during the September 11 terrorist attacks.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

Town Manager Jeff Wilkins reported the following:

- Registration for the Oro Valley Community Academy ends on September 27, 2024.
- Provided an update on the Pusch Ridge Golf Course bridge and hole 5 of the El Conquistador Golf Course.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mayor Winfield reorganized the agenda as follows;

Regular agenda item #3 would be removed from the agenda per the request of Councilmember Solomon and Councilmember Greene.

Regular agenda item #1 would be separated into two presentations with the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Maintenance Building presented first, followed by the Improvements to the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were received.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation - Diaper Need Awareness Week

Mayor Winfield proclaimed the week of September 23 through the 29, 2024, as Diaper Need Awareness Week in the Town of Oro Valley.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Bohen requested that Consent item (B) be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

- A. Minutes - September 4, 2024

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Consent agenda item (A).

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

- B. Resolution No. (R)24-33, authorizing and directing the Water Utility Director to execute and file an application for a drinking water state revolving fund loan from the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA)

Councilmember Bohen requested clarification regarding the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) and regarding the Northwest Recharge Recovery & Delivery System project.

Water Utility Director Peter Abraham clarified questions regarding the Water Infrastructure Finance Authority (WIFA) and regarding the Northwest Recharge Recovery & Delivery System project.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve item (B) of the Consent agenda.

Vote: 6 - 1 Carried

OPPOSED: Councilmember Tim Bohen

REGULAR AGENDA

1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO VISTOSO TRAILS NATURE PRESERVE AND MAINTENANCE BUILDING

Oro Valley Parks and Recreation Director Rosalyn Epting presented item #1 regarding the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve maintenance building and included the following:

- Maintenance Yard
- Maintenance Yard Continued
- Maintenance Building Roof Repair
- Proposals Received

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

Motion by Councilmember Steve Solomon, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to replace the roof with a standing seam metal roof for \$183,600, including underlayment repairs.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett, **seconded by** Councilmember Tim Bohen to suspend the time limit rules to allow Council to ask some questions.

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding the motion on the table.

Vice Mayor Barrett withdrew her motion to remove the time limit rules.

Discussion continued amongst Council and staff regarding the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Maintenance Building.

Vice Mayor Barrett motioned to amend the main motion to include a restriction that all vehicles stored at this facility be primarily for the maintenance of the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve. Councilmember Solomon accepted the amendment, seconded by Councilmember Greene.

Discussion continued regarding the amendment to the main motion and the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Maintenance Building.

Councilmember Solomon requested to amend the motion on the table to include the words

improvement and maintenance. Seconded by Councilmember Greene.

Motion by Councilmember Steve Solomon, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene **FINAL MOTION AS AMENDED**, to replace the roof with a standing seam metal roof for \$183,600, including underlayment repairs, and with the restriction that all vehicles stored at this facility be primarily for the improvement and maintenance of the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Discussion and possible action regarding improvement to Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Senior Project Manager with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Rebecca Field presented the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve and included the following:

- Agenda
- Scope of Work
- Project Challenges & Opportunities

Mayor Winfield requested to pause the presentation to allow the residents to speak on this item.

The following individuals spoke regarding the improvements to the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Oro Valley resident Bruce Baier
Oro Valley resident Phil Zielinski
Oro Valley resident Rosa Dailey
Oro Valley resident Tom Stegman

Ms. Field continued the presentation and included the following:

- Project Challenges & Opportunities
- Desert Restoration Examples
- The Waterman Project
- Canoa Ranch
- Discussion Highlights
- Restoration Concept Plan
- Desert Garden Area Concept Plan
- Schedule

Mayor Winfield recessed the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor Winfield reconvened the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Council provided discussion and feedback to staff, and Ms. Field, regarding the improvements and revegetation to the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve the concept plan for the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve Desert Ecosystems Restoration Project.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

2. PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. (O)24-08, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS TO ALLOW THE KEEPING OF SMALL ANIMALS AND/OR LIVESTOCK WITHIN ALL ORO VALLEY ZONING DISTRICTS THAT ACCOMMODATE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOMES AND AMEND RELATED SECTIONS OF TOWN CODE

Mayor Winfield opened the public hearing.

The following individual spoke in support of item #2.

Oro Valley resident Ben Randall

Mayor Winfield closed the public hearing.

Oro Valley Planner Alexandra Chavez presented item #2 and included the following:

- Purpose
- Existing Zoning Code
- Keys to Drafting Code Amendments
- Proposed Code Amendment #1: Zoning Districts
- Proposed Amendment #2: Property Size and Animal Types
- Proposed Amendment #3: Property Standards & Requirements
- Impacts to Oro Valley
- Planning and Zoning Commission Recommendation
- Summary & Recommendation

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Ordinance No. (O)24-08, the proposed Zoning Code Amendment to allow the limited keeping of small animals and/or livestock within all Oro Valley zoning districts that accommodate single-family residential homes and related sections of Town code, with the condition to amend the bee box definition to enable one colony.

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding item #2.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Ordinance No. (O)24-08, the proposed Zoning Code Amendment to allow the limited keeping of small animals and/or livestock within all Oro Valley zoning districts that accommodate single-family residential homes and related sections of Town code, with the condition to amend the bee box definition to enable one colony.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RESTORATION OF THE EL CONQUISTADOR GOLF COURSE 5TH HOLE

This item was removed from the agenda.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

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 session of the Town of Oro Valley, Arizona held on the 18th day of September 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Michael Standish, CMC
Town Clerk