

**MINUTES
ORO VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 19, 2025
ORO VALLEY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
11000 N. LA CAÑADA DRIVE**

REGULAR SESSION AT OR AFTER 5:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Winfield called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor
Melanie Barrett, Vice-Mayor
Harry Greene, Councilmember
Joyce Jones-Ivey, Councilmember
Mary Murphy, Councilmember
Josh Nicolson, Councilmember
Elizabeth Robb, Councilmember

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4), to obtain legal advice regarding the Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene (OVCN) application for additional height regarding the applicant's appeal of the Planning & Zoning Commission's denial of the OVCN height request on January 14, 2025

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to go into Executive Session at 5:02 p.m., pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §38-431.03 (A)(3) and (A)(4), to obtain legal advice regarding the Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene (OVCN) application for additional height regarding the applicant's appeal of the Planning & Zoning Commission's denial of the OVCN height request on January 14, 2025

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Mayor Winfield announced that the following staff would be joining Council in Executive Session: Town Manager Jeff Wilkins, Town Attorney Jonathan Rothschild, Legal Services Director Tobin Sidles, Community and Economic Development Director Paul Melcher, Planning Manager Bayer Vella, and the Town Clerk Mike Standish.

RESUME REGULAR SESSION AT OR AFTER 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Winfield resumed the Regular Session at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Joseph C. Winfield, Mayor
Melanie Barrett, Vice-Mayor
Harry Greene, Councilmember
Joyce Jones-Ivey, Councilmember
Mary Murphy, Councilmember
Josh Nicolson, Councilmember
Elizabeth Robb, 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.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

Councilmember Greene reported that he had attended the *Catalina Chapter of the Boy Scouts of America*, where 40 young men had received their Eagle Scout award.

Councilmember Jones-Ivey encouraged citizens to volunteer and participate in Amphi School Districts Project Graduation's upcoming events and fundraisers.

Councilmember Jones-Ivey encouraged citizens to attend the Jose Samaniego Memorial Archery Shoot and BBQ Challenge which would be held at Naranja Park on March 1, 2025.

Mayor Winfield had proclaimed the week of February 17-23, 2025, as Tucson Navy week in Oro Valley. Mayor Winfield also attended a special ceremony at the Arizona Heroes Memorial where Vietnam Veterans and three Gold Star Families were recognized. Representatives of the Gold Star Families were also presented a plaque in honor of their fallen service member.

Mayor Winfield encouraged citizens to visit the Arizona Heroes Memorial.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

Town Manager Jeff Wilkins reported the following:

- A Fire Safety and Wild Fire Management Open House would be held in March. More details to come.
- Visit Golder Ranch Fire District's website for homeowner guides on various fire tips.
- OV Path Forward update
- Oro Valley Public Art Tours update
- Oro Valley business update
- Oro Valley Concert Series update
- Oro Valley Hiking Series update
- Upcoming Oro Valley Events

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Oro Valley resident Richard Furash voiced his concerns regarding the FY2026/2027 Strategic Plan session and process.

Oro Valley resident Anthony Ferrara spoke regarding the Arizona State Swimming Championships which would be held at the Oro Valley Aquatic Center.

Oro Valley resident Diane Hall voiced her concerns regarding Oro Valley Short Term Rental Units.

Mayor Winfield requested that Town Manager Jeff Wilkins follow up with Ms. Hall to address her concerns.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation and possible discussion regarding OV Trails Connect, the Town's Trail Master Plan project

Oro Valley Planner Alexandra Chavez presented the OV Trails Connect, the Town's Trail Master Plan project and included the following:

- Purpose
- Background and Project Importance
- OV Trails Connect Project Focus
- OV Trails Connect Brand Development
- Project Milestones - Phase 1 through Phase 4

- Preliminary Mapping and Analysis
- Preliminary Takeaways - Pedestrian
- Preliminary Takeaways - Cycling
- Engaging Oro Valley Residents and Regional Partners
- Coordinating plans with Regional Partners
- Hearing From Trails Stakeholder Group
- Community Outreach Efforts
- Next Steps

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding the OV Trails Connect, the Town's Trail Master Plan Project.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes - January 22, and February 5, 2025
- B. Appointments to the Budget and Finance Commission (BFC) and the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC)
- C. Resolution No. (R)25-03, approving the Agenda Committee assignment for the period of March 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025
- D. Resolution No. (R)25-04, authorizing and approving a school resource officer agreement between Amphitheater Unified School District and the Town of Oro Valley for the assignment of three (3) Town of Oro Valley Police Officers to act as school resource officers (SRO) for the District
- E. Authorization to reallocate existing equipment funding to purchase a crack seal applicator/melter machine in lieu of a class 8 tandem axle dump truck

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

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

REGULAR AGENDA

1. PUBLIC HEARING: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN APPEAL OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION DENIAL OF THE APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR INCREASED BUILDING HEIGHT ALLOWANCES WITHIN PRIVATE SCHOOL ZONING FOR A PROPOSED NEW SANCTUARY BUILDING SITUATED NORTHEAST OF THE CALLE CONCORDIA AND CALLE BUENA VISTA INTERSECTION

Mayor Winfield provided information regarding a request for continuance, received from John Gillespie of Rose Law Group, representing the Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene.

Mr. Gillespie presented his case to Council regarding the request for continuance for item #1.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to continue the Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene appeal for a period of six weeks, on April 2, 2025.

Discussion ensued amongst Council, staff, and Mr. Gillespie regarding the request for continuance.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to continue the Oro Valley Church of the Nazarene appeal for a period of six weeks, on April 2, 2025.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Mayor Winfield recessed the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Mayor Winfield reconvened the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

2. PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. (O)25-02, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND ORO VALLEY TOWN CODE 11-3-4 TO ADD MUSETTE DRIVE (IN NARANJA PARK) TO THE LIST OF STREETS FOR POLICE ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES AND SETTING A SPEED LIMIT

Mayor Winfield opened the public hearing.

No comments were received.

Mayor Winfield closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Barrett provided information as to why this item had been requested.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Ordinance No. (O)25-02, adding Musette Drive to the Oro Valley Town Code, amending Oro Valley Town Code 11-3-4 to reflect this addition, and establishing a speed limit for Musette Drive of 20 miles per hour.

Discussion ensued amongst Council and staff regarding item #2.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve Ordinance No. (O)25-02, adding Musette Drive to the Oro Valley Town Code, amending Oro Valley Town Code 11-3-4 to reflect this addition, and establishing a speed limit for Musette Drive of 20 miles per hour.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Mary Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Michelle Stine, MMC, CPM
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 19th day of February 2025. I further certify that the meeting was called and held and that a quorum was present.

Mike Standish, CMC
Town Clerk