

**MINUTES
ORO VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
NOVEMBER 5, 2025
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 6:01 PM

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 and events.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS ON CURRENT EVENTS

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

Councilmember Greene reported that he had attended the Oro Valley Historical Society's 20th Anniversary event. Councilmember Greene encouraged citizens to visit the Oro Valley Historical Society's exhibits at Steam Pump Ranch.

Mayor Winfield provided a brief report on the following events:

- The Oro Valley Police Department's National Night Out event, held on October 24th, was a very successful, well-organized event.
- The HalloVeen Spooktacular event had about four thousand happy visitors in attendance.

- La Posada held a ribbon cutting on October 29, 2025.
- Mayor Winfield and the Oro Valley Police Chief Kara Riley attended an Annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Dinner hosted by the Arizona Muslim Police Advisory Board.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

Town Manager Jeff Wilkins reported the following:

- Overview of the Oro Valley State of the Town event
- Information regarding Russian Thistle pulls at the Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve
- Update on the Oro Valley Food Drive which supported Interfaith Community Services
- Town of Oro Valley Award-winning Hot Cocoa 5K promo video
- Information on Board and Commission openings
- Update on the Naranja Road closure
- Update on the Naranja Multi-Use Path
- Information on Upcoming Town Events
- New Oro Valley Businesses

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

There were no informational items.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Oro Valley resident Jeannette Boverl voiced her concerns regarding the No Parking signs on Calle Buena Vista.

Oro Valley resident Colleen McCarthy voiced her concerns regarding the lack of notice for street maintenance and the impact it had on the residents.

Oro Valley resident Brian Boverl voiced his concerns regarding the No Parking signs on Calle Buena Vista.

Oro Valley resident Joanne Michaelson voiced her concerns regarding the No Parking signs on Calle Buena Vista and Calle Concordia.

Oro Valley resident Mark Headley spoke regarding the need to create a film commission in Oro Valley.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of the 28th Annual Oro Valley Community Academy Graduates

Principal Planner Milini Simms presented item #1 and introduced the following 2025 Oro Valley Community Academy Graduates in attendance.

Connie Bates
Takesha Bates
Lisa Bond-Maupin
Sasha Case
Adele Falzone
Vincent Falzone
Kyle Gross
Rita Hartog
Kathleen Hernandez
Daniel Karlsberg
Marigney Klaber
Rich Klaber
Erin Krapf
Darlynn Land
Stephen Land
Robert Luckbill
Eloho Okeze
Malarie Puggioni
Stephen Sims
Charles Stack
James Stacy
Matthew Wood

2. Recognition of the Oro Valley Historical Society for their 20th Anniversary

Mayor Winfield recognized the Historical Society for their 20th Anniversary and presented the President of the Oro Valley Historical Society, Bob Kellar, with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Mr. Kellar accepted the Certificate of Appreciation and spoke briefly about the Oro Valley Historical Society.

3. Presentation regarding RTA Next

Executive Director for the Pima Association of Governments and the Regional Transportation Authority, Michael Ortega, presented the RTA Next Regional Transportation Plan.

Discussion ensued between the Council and Mr. Ortega regarding the RTA Next Regional Transportation Plan.

4. Presentation by Arizona Office of Veteran & Military Family Affairs

Retired Army Lt. Colonel, Dana Allmond provided a presentation by the Arizona Office of Veteran & Military Family Affairs.

5. Update regarding the Explore Oro Valley Destination Marketing Organization Activities

Destination Marketing Manager Crystal Franke presented item #5 and included the following:

- Explore Oro Valley App Analytics
- Explore Oro Valley QR Code Distribution
- Explore Oro Valley Analytics
- Marketing & Communications
- Events Overview

Community and Economic Development Director Paul Melcher continued the presentation and included the following:

- Leisure Travel Destination Management Plan

Discussion ensued among Council and staff regarding the Explore Oro Valley Destination Marketing Organization Activities.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Robb requested that Consent item (A) be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

- B. Resolution No. (R)25-54, approving the Agenda Committee assignment for the period of December 1, 2025, to February 28, 2026
- C. Adoption of the 2026 regular Town Council meeting schedule

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Mary Murphy to approve Consent Agenda items (B) and (C).

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

- A. Minutes - October 15, 2025

Councilmember Robb requested that the October 15, 2025, minutes be updated to reflect Councilmember Murphy on the third item under *Mayor and Council Reports on Current Events*.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve the October 15, 2025 minutes as corrected.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

Mayor Winfield recessed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Winfield reconvened the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO TRANSFER CAPITAL FUND BUDGETED CONTINGENCY TO BE UTILIZED FOR THE PURCHASE AND IMPROVEMENTS OF THE NEW POLICE STATION AT 13101 N. ORACLE ROAD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5.45 MILLION

Chief Financial Officer Dave Gephart provided a brief overview of item #1.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve a Capital Fund contingency reallocation in the amount of \$5.45 million for the purchase and necessary improvements of the new police administration facility located at 13101 N. Oracle Road.

Discussion ensued among Council and staff regarding item #1.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve a Capital Fund contingency reallocation in the amount of \$5.45 million for the purchase and necessary improvements of the new police administration facility located at 13101 N. Oracle Road.

Vote: 7 - 0 Carried

2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE AND PROCEED WITH NOTICING FOR A PROPOSED RATE INCREASE TO THE COMMERCIAL RENTAL TAX

The following individuals spoke in opposition to item #2.

Oro Valley business owner Jeff Laird
President and CEO of the Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce and Oro Valley resident Kristen Sharp.

Chief Financial Officer Dave Gephart provided a brief overview of item #2.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve directing staff to comply with all applicable noticing requirements to the public and affected businesses in accordance with ARS 9-499.15 regarding amending the Town Tax Code to facilitate phasing in a new Commercial Rental Tax.

Discussion ensued among Council and staff regarding item #2.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve directing staff to comply with all applicable noticing requirements to the public and affected businesses in accordance with ARS 9-499.15 regarding amending the Town Tax Code to facilitate phasing in a new Commercial Rental Tax.

Vote: 4 - 3 Carried

OPPOSED: Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett
Councilmember Mary Murphy
Councilmember Josh Nicolson

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE AND PROCEED WITH NOTICING FOR A PROPOSED RATE INCREASE TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX

Chief Financial Officer Dave Gephart provided a brief overview of item #3.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve directing staff to comply with all applicable noticing requirements to the public and affected businesses in accordance with ARS 9-499.15 regarding a proposed increase to the Town Telecommunications Tax.

Discussion ensued among Council and staff regarding item #3.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve directing staff to comply with all applicable noticing requirements to the public and affected businesses in accordance with ARS 9-499.15 regarding a proposed increase to the Town Telecommunications Tax.

Vote: 4 - 3 Carried

OPPOSED: Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett
Councilmember Mary Murphy
Councilmember Josh Nicolson

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC NOTICE PROCESS OF POTENTIAL TOWN COUNCIL ACTION FOR IMPLEMENTING A USE TAX

Chief Financial Officer Dave Gephart provided a brief overview of item #4.

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Harry Greene to approve authorizing public notice of potential Town Council action for implementation of a Use Tax.

Vote: 4 - 3 Carried

OPPOSED: Vice-Mayor Melanie Barrett
Councilmember Mary Murphy
Councilmember Josh Nicolson

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Joseph C. Winfield, **seconded by** Councilmember Josh Nicolson to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 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 5th day of November 2025. I further certify that the meeting was called and held and that a quorum was present.

Michael Standish, MMC
Town Clerk