



**CITY OF SAFFORD • COUNCIL BUDGET WORK SESSION • MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019 at 6:00 a.m.**  
**MEETING LOCATION: SAFFORD LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM • 808 S. 7<sup>TH</sup> AVE SAFFORD, ARIZONA**  
**“The mission of the City of Safford is to make Safford a great place to live, work, and visit”**

1. **WELCOME AND CALL**
2. **TO ORDER:** Mayor Kouts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.  
**ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (6-1)  
  
**COUNCIL PRESENT:** Jason Kouts, Mayor; Richard Ortega, Vice Mayor; Councilmembers’ Gene Seale, Arnold Lopez, Steve McGaughey and Michael Andazola.  
  
**COUNCIL ABSENT:** Councilmember Chris Taylor.  
  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Horatio Skeete, City Manager; Captain Glen Orr, Randy Petty, City Engineer; Lance Henrie, Public Works Director/Assistant City Engineer; Alma Valles, Finance Officer; Kabrina Romero, Finance Administrator; Victoria Silva, Library Director; Tamara Webster, Deputy City Clerk; Sam Napier, I.T. Officer; Dan Braatz, Electric Division Supervisor; Gale Hedges, Water Division Supervisor; Raymond Osornio, Gas Division Supervisor; Nathan Estes; and Morgan Seale, Wastewater Division Supervisor.  
  
**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Sowders, Paul David, Nancy Schauman, Jennifer Seale and others who did not sign in.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilman Andazola led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
4. **OPENING PRAYER:** Mayor Kouts offered the opening prayer.
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
7. **PRESENTATIONS:**
  1. **WASTE EXPO: Chad Hogle provided a presentation on the Waste Expo he attended in Las Vegas, May 6 – 9, 2019.**
8. **NEW/OLD BUSINESS:**
  1. **FINANCING ALTERNATIVES FOR POLICE STATION: Request for the Mayor and City Council to discuss and provide direction to staff regarding alternatives for financing of the Police Station. MOTION ADOPTED**
  2. **VIDEO SERVICE LICENSE APPLICATION/AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve a standard Video Service License Application and Agreement forms to be used for video and cable service providers in accordance with the recently enacted SB1140. MOTION ADOPTED**

**9. RESOLUTIONS:**

1. RESOLUTION R19-021: Request for Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution R19-021, setting the levy for taxes at \$0.5135 for each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of the assessed valuation of property subject to taxation within the City of Safford for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020. MOTION ADOPTED
2. RESOLUTION R19-022: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution R19-022, amending and establishing Section 10 of the Human Resources Manual: 1) Section 10.1 Code of Conduct, 2) Section 10.2 Discipline, 3) Grievance Procedures, 4) Employment Terminations, 5) Section 10.5 Appeals Process, and 6) Section 10.6 Severance Pay. MOTION ADOPTED
3. RESOLUTION R19-023 - STAFF POLICY REVISION: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution R19-023, amending and establishing Human Resources Policies: 1) Residency Policy and 2) Oath of Office Policy. MOTION ADOPTED
4. RESOLUTION R19-024 - HANGAR P-12 & LAND LEASE: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution R19-024, authorizing the Mayor to enter into airport hangar and land lease agreement with Ponderosa Aviation, Inc. MOTION ADOPTED
5. RESOLUTION R19-025 – PSPRS: Request for the Mayor and City Council to approve and adopt Resolution Number R19-025 adopting a Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Pension Funding Policy. MOTION ADOPTED

**10. MONTHLY REPORTS:**

1. PCARD REPORT
2. OVER \$5000 REPORT
3. PROSECUTION REPORT

**11. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CURRENT EVENTS: The Mayor or any member of Council may at this time present a brief summary of current events and provide future agenda items. However, no discussion shall take place on such items except for clarifying comments related to substance, time and location.**

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade
- El Coronado 48 Hour Makeover
- Honor Guard Award by Pride of Safford
- Graham County Chamber of Commerce Summer Block Party

12. **ADJOURN: It was moved by Vice Mayor Ortega, seconded by Councilman McGaughey and carried unanimously to adjourn the council meeting at 6:58 p.m. MOTION ADOPTED**