



CITY OF SAFFORD • CITY COUNCIL MEETING • MONDAY, JULY 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
MEETING LOCATION: SAFFORD LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM • 808 S. 7TH AVE SAFFORD, ARIZONA
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1. **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Kouts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** A quorum of the Council was present (4 present and 3 absent).
COUNCIL PRESENT: Jason Kouts, Mayor; Councilmembers’ Gene Seale, Arnold Lopez, and Michael Andazola.
COUNCIL ABSENT: Arnold Lopez, Chris Taylor and Richard Ortega.

STAFF PRESENT: Horatio Skeete, City Manager; John Cassella, Assistant City Manager; Joe Brugman, Chief of Police; Randy Petty, City Engineer; Lance Henrie, Public Works Director/Assistant City Engineer; Susan Anderson, Planning and Community Development Director; Alma Flores Valles, Finance Officer; Victoria Silva, Library Director; Georgia Luster, City Clerk; Matthew Platt, I.T.; Dan Braatz, Electric Division Supervisor; Gale Hedges, Water Division Supervisor; Raymond Osornio, Gas Division Supervisor; and Morgan Seale, Wastewater Division Supervisor.

OTHERS PRESENT: David Sowders, Eastern Arizona Courier; Chad Crockett; Paul R. David; Jenifer Seale; Vance Bryce; and, others who did not sign in.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilman Andazola led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **OPENING PRAYER:** Councilman Seale offered the opening prayer.
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE
7. **RESOLUTIONS:**
 1. **RESOLUTION NUMBER R19-026: Request for the Mayor and Council to approve and adopt Resolution Number R19-026, a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for a study to develop a revised Airport Layout Plan (ALP) for the City of Safford Airport. MOTION ADOPTED**
 2. **RESOLUTION NUMBER R19-027: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to execute a reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for a study to develop a revised Airport Layout Plan (ALP) for the City of Safford Airport. MOTION ADOPTED**
 3. **RESOLUTION NUMBER R19-028: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to execute a reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for the purchase of a New Sweeper at the Airport. MOTION ADOPTED**
 4. **RESOLUTION NUMBER R19-029: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to execute a reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Arizona Department of**

Transportation (ADOT) for the purchase of a New Sweeper at the Airport. MOTION ADOPTED

8. **ORDINANCES:**

1. **ORDINANCE NUMBER 019-001: First reading of Ordinance Number 019-001, a request for Mayor and City Council to amend the City of Safford Municipal Code Title 9, Chapter 9.16.010.** Chief Brugman presented the item explaining that the original and revised ordinance are attached. Revisions include allowing the safe use of BB guns, the removal of areas covered by Arizona Revised Statutes and the removal of areas of the Code that were ambiguous or inaccurate. This is the first reading of Ordinance Number 019-001.

The City Clerk read the Number and Title of Ordinance Number 19-001 into the record.

9. **CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS/BIDS:**

1. **AIRPORT LAYOUT PLAN: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to accept and award C&S Companies' proposal to complete the study and develop an Airport Layout Plan (ALP) for the Safford Regional Airport.** MOTION ADOPTED
2. **AIRPORT SWEEPER EQUIPMENT: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the City Manager to procure the Airport Sweeper from the bid of July 2, 2019.** MOTION ADOPTED
3. **AIRPORT LEASE EXTENSION HANGAR CH-2: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the Mayor to execute a renewal Hangar lease at the Airport (Hangar CH-2) currently leased to Garrett Hoisington.** MOTION ADOPTED
4. **AIRPORT LEASE HANGAR H-5: Request for the Mayor and Council to authorize the Mayor to execute a Property lease at the Airport to Ponderosa Aviation (Ponderosa) for the construction of a new Hangar on property currently vacant.** This item was pulled from the agenda and will be presented at a future meeting.

10. **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.

- ✓ Councilman Andazola said the 4th of July celebration was great and went well. He thanked all those who assisted him with the event.
- ✓ Mr. Skeete introduced John Cassella, the Assistant City Manager who started the position on July 1st. Mr. Cassella talked about his experience and career with city government.

11. **REPORT ON OPERATIONAL ITEMS:** The city manager, members of city staff or those individuals designated by the manager may present information pertinent to items under consideration or information related to the operation of the City. There shall however be no discussion at this time except for clarification inquiries. (If not listed below)

Operational Items will be presented at the July 22nd council meeting/work session.

12. **ADJOURN:** It was moved by Councilman Andazola, seconded by Councilman McGaughey and carried unanimously to adjourn regular council meeting at 6:18 p.m. **MOTION ADOPTED**