

City Council Meeting Hybrid Meeting in Person and Via Zoom Monday, July 01, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Baker called the City Council's hybrid meeting to order on Monday, July 01, 2024, at 6:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Terry Baker, Angie Vermillion, Karen Shrader, Krista Peterson, Scott Clauson, Larry Dickson, Jillian Shainholtz

STAFF PRESENT: Eric Swanson, City Manager
Doug McGeary, City Attorney
Bonnie Pickett, City Recorder
Derek Bowker, Chief of Police
Zac Moody, Community Development Manager

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. PRESENTATION:

a. Water Projects Update – City Engineer

City Manager Eric Swanson introduced the City Engineer Jeff Ballard, noting that he is here to update the Council on Capital Projects.

Jeff Ballard, RH2, gave brief updates on the Charlotte Ann Water District (CAWD) project, TAP improvements, and updates to the water supply. He answered questions from the Council regarding the TAP water system. Mr. Ballard spoke about the North Phoenix Reservoir project and how it will increase water storage for residents. He answered questions about the water tank.

Mr. Swanson noted that when taking over the CAWD, there was no water storage in their facilities. He noted that adding this storage tank will double the city's water storage.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Nicole Suetos, Phoenix, spoke about how nice the Phoodery is for Phoenix. She spoke about a correction that needs to be updated on the City Website.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion: I Move to Approve the Consent Agenda. MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY PETERSON. No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Peterson, Shainholtz, Clauson, Shrader, Dickson
MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

6. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Resolution No. 1126 – Establishing Water Fees for Water Service Outside of the City of Phoenix Limits.

Mr. Ballard presented Resolution No. 1126 to the Council regarding the outside water rates for residents outside Phoenix's city limits. He explained the city's costs when accepting the dissolved CAWD.

Councilor Peterson expressed her concerns regarding the fee increase for the residents in the urban growth area of Phoenix.

Mr. Swanson answered questions regarding the suggested water rate increase for the residents in the urban growth boundary.

The Council discussed the resolution and how the rate would change when residents annexed the city.

Mr. Ballard answered questions regarding the presented resolution.

Motion: I Move to Approve Resolution Number 1126 as Presented, Establishing Water Fees for Water Service Outside of the City Limits of Phoenix. MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY SHAINHOLTZ. No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Shainholtz, Clauson, Dickson, Shrader, Peterson
MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

8. ORDINANCE: READING / ADOPTION:

a. Second Reading by Title Only of Ordinance No. 1040 – An Ordinance Vacating a Public Right-of-Way in the City of Phoenix; Second Reading by Title Only of Ordinance No. 1041 – An Ordinance Dedicating Right-of-Way in the City of Phoenix.

Zac Moody presented the Ordinances to the Council for adoption. He answered questions regarding the property.

Motion: I Move Approval on Second Reading by Title Only of Ordinance 1040, An Ordinance of the City of Phoenix Vacating Public Right-of-Way as Described in Exhibit A – Exhibit I of the Ordinance. MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY PETERSON. No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Peterson, Shainholtz, Shrader, Clauson, Dickson
MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

Motion: I Move Approval on Second Reading by Title Only of Ordinance 1041, An Ordinance of the City of Phoenix Dedicating Public Right-of-Way as Described in Exhibit A of the Ordinance. **MOVED BY VERMILLION, SECONDED BY PETERSON.** No further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

Ayes: Vermillion, Peterson, Shainholtz, Clauson, Shrader, Dickson

MOTION APPROVED WITH SIX AYES

9. STAFF REPORTS:

a. Chief of Police Derek Bowker informed the Council of the Supreme Court ruling regarding restricting camping in public areas. He thanked Doug McGeary for all his work on the city's camping ordinance. Chief Bowker answered questions about how Grants Pass may make changes to their camping ordinances since the ruling came down. He spoke about training the Police Department has hosted for law enforcement agencies in the Phoenix EOC.

b. City Manager spoke about a planning meeting he attended with Zac Moody and Jeff Wilcox, expressing how impressed he was with their professionalism and use of the new technology in the new Government and Public Safety Center. He spoke about having lunch with his wife at the Phoenix Phoodery and receiving kudos for how fantastic the Phoodery turned out.

10. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS / REPORTS:

Councilor Dickson expressed his gratitude for being back after missing a few meetings. He noted his satisfaction with the Phoodery and the progress made in Phoenix.

Councilor Shrader noted how happy she is to see the Phoodery doing so well. She thanked Council Peterson for her clarifying questions regarding the outside water rate.

Councilor Vermillion spoke highly of the Phoodery and its success, noting that seating under the tree in the grass is spectacular. Councilor Vermillion stated that the Phoodery is a great thing for Phoenix.

Councilor Clauson stated that he is glad to be back from his to Colorado. He noted that he was disappointed that he missed the Grand Opening of Black Bird. Councilor Clauson stated that he has been able to enjoy the Phoodery on two different evenings with friends. He stated that he completed the Regional Survey on the South Stage overpass traffic impact.

Mr. Swanson spoke about the Regional South Stage Project and that the project includes PH5 employment opportunities. He noted that he had spent extensive time working with the City Manager of Medford, working with the State Governor Solutions project lead to have additional information shared at a City Council meeting to put together a process to get support for the two projects from the Governor's office. Mr. Swanson thanked Councilor Clauson and Mayor Baker for agreeing to be on the committee.

Councilor Peterson questioned if the lot next to the Phoodery belonged to PHURA.

Mr. Swanson advised that the piece of property was included in the sale of the property for the Phoodery.

Mr. Moody explained that the property is currently under construction, but they were aware they would need temporary parking once the Phoodery opened. He spoke about the development process for the property across from the Phoodery and answered questions regarding a potential timeline for the project.

Councilor Peterson questioned the next steps for the development of the property and the timeline for completion.

Mr. Moody spoke about the process of the new businesses opening with temporary occupancy while they are getting things figured out. He answered questions about the number of parking spots that will be available on the property once developed.

Mr. Swanson advised that he had yet to determine the exact number of parking spaces that would be available on the Heart of Phoenix Property.

Councilor Peterson asked about the Civic Center being available for rent and how the event parking will work.

Mr. Moody said that in the planning world, having parking issues is a good thing because as people walk to their destination, they pass by or visit other businesses. He noted that the city is working on a plan to deal with parking for the downtown area and the new businesses coming into the area.

Councilor Vermillion asked if the bike lane by Moxie Brew could be made into additional parking for the nearby businesses.

Mr. Moody noted that the bike lane is part of the transportation plan and will need to stay a bike lane for now.

Councilor Peterson spoke about the Dog Day of Summer, which will be on July 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Colver Park. She stated that the Cheerful Vet donated \$500.00 to the event along with items for giveaways.

Councilor Shainholtz stated that she has been enjoying her summer break.

Mayor Baker thanked everyone for their hard work and wished everyone a happy, healthy, and freedom-filled July 04 holiday.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Bonnie Pickett
City Recorder