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## Minutes of MAYOR AND COUNCIL Meeting

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Approved by Mayor and Council  
on January 11, 2023.

Date of Meeting: April 5, 2022

**MEETING NOTE: Due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which prompted declarations of a public health emergency at the local, state and federal levels, this meeting was conducted using measures to protect public health. This meeting was held remotely through technological means, as permitted under Arizona law.**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson met in regular session remotely through Microsoft Teams at 5:52 p.m., on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, all members having been notified of the time and place thereof.

### 1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Romero and upon roll call, those present and absent were:

Present:

Lane Santa Cruz	Vice Mayor, Council Member Ward 1
Paul Cunningham	Council Member Ward 2
Kevin Dahl	Council Member Ward 3
Nikki Lee	Council Member Ward 4
Richard G. Fimbres	Council Member Ward 5
Steve Kozachik	Council Member Ward 6

Absent/Excused:

None

Staff Members Present:

Michael J. Ortega	City Manager
Michael Rankin	City Attorney
Suzanne Mesich	City Clerk

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS**

a. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Ana Marrufo, Management Assistant, City Clerk's Office.

b. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

c. PRESENTATIONS:

a. Mayor Romero proclaimed April 2022 to be "Sexual Assault Awareness Month."

b. Mayor Romero proclaims April 11th through 16th, 2022, to be "Tax Fraud Week of Action."

d. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 87, dated April 5, 2022, was received into and made part of the record.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to appoint Justin geBraad, Alex Oberlick and Anita Rankin and reappoint Halley Freitas and Siri Trumble Beidler to the El Presidio Historic Zone Advisory Board (EPHZAB).

Mayor Romero asked if there were any personal appointments to be made.

There were no personal appointments made.

**3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 87, dated April 5, 2022, was received into and made part of the record. She also announced this was the time scheduled to allow members of the Mayor and Council to report on current events and asked if there were any reports.

Current event reports were submitted by Mayor Romero, Vice Mayor Santa Cruz and Council Members Cunningham, Dahl, Lee, Fimbres and Kozachik.

A recording of this item is available from the City Clerk's Office for ten years from the date of this meeting.

#### **4. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 361, dated December 7, 2021, was received into and made part of the record. She also announced this was the time scheduled to allow the City Manager to report on current events and asked for that report.

Current event reports were given by Michael J. Ortega, City Manager.

A recording of this item is available from the City Clerk's Office for ten years from the date of this meeting.

#### **5. LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 90, dated April 5, 2022, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read the Liquor License Agenda.

##### **b. Liquor License Application(s)**

###### **New License(s)**

NOTE: State law provides that for a new license application, "In all proceedings before the governing body of a city...the applicant bears the burden of showing that the public convenience requires and that the best interest of the community will be substantially served by the issuance of a license". (A.R.S. Section 4-201)

1. Blue Willow Restaurant, Ward 3  
City #16-22, Series 12  
Agent: Stephanie Lynette Bevington  
Location: 2616 N. Campbell Ave.  
Action must be taken by: April 16, 2022
2. Ezbachi, Ward 6  
City #17-22, Series: 12  
Agent: Jacqueline Padilla  
Location: 63 E. Congress St. #121  
Action must be taken by: April 23, 2022
3. Bacio Italiano, Ward 6  
City #18-22, Series: 12  
Agent: Richard Sackett Fifer  
Location: 943 E. University Blvd. #125  
Action must be taken by: April 29, 2022

Person Transfer(s)

NOTE: State law provides that for a person-to-person transfer, Mayor and Council may consider the applicant's capability, qualifications and reliability. (A.R.S. Section 4-203)

4. Beverage Barn, Ward 1  
City #15-22, Series 9  
Agent: Kevin Arnold Kramber  
Location: 5770 S. 12th Ave.  
Action must be taken by: April 13, 2022

c. Special Event(s)

1. Underdog Kiddos Inc., Ward 3  
City#T12-22  
Applicant: Tori Marie Kittelmann  
Address: 4502 N. 1st Ave.  
Purpose: Family Festival  
Event Date(s): September 24, 2022 - September 25, 2022
2. Arizona Craft Brewers Guild, Inc, Ward 6  
City#T16-22  
Agent: Robert J. Fullmer  
Address: 260 S. Church Ave.  
Purpose: Baja Beer Festival  
Event Date(s): April 23, 2022
3. The Gregory School, Ward 2  
City#T17-22  
Agent: Mary Babbitt  
Address: 3231 N. Craycroft Rd.  
Purpose: School Anniversary Party  
Event Date(s): April 23, 2022
4. Museum of Contemporary Art, Ward 6  
City#T18-22  
Agent: Kira Dixon-Weinstein  
Address: 265 S. Church Ave.  
Purpose: MOCA Gala Fundraising Event  
Event Date(s): April 23, 2022
5. Ben's Bells Project, Ward 3  
City#T21-22  
Agent: Autumn Rentmeester  
Address: 3100 N. 1st Ave.  
Purpose: Annual Fundraiser for Ben's Bells Project  
Event Date(s): April 23, 2022

d. Agent Change/Acquisition of Control/Restructure

NOTE: There are no application(s) for agent changes scheduled for this meeting.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to forward Items 5b1 through 5b4 and 5c1 through 5c5 to the State Liquor Board with a recommendation of approval.

**6. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

Mayor Romero announced this was the time any member of the public was allowed to address the Mayor and Council on any issue except for items scheduled for a public hearing. Speakers were limited to three-minute presentations.

Mayor Romero also announced that pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, individual Council Members may ask the City Manager to review the matter, ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda, or respond to criticism made by speakers. However, the Mayor and Council may not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during “call to the audience.”

Comments were made by:

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**7. CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS A THROUGH F**

Mayor Romero announced the reports and recommendations from the City Manager on the Consent Agenda were received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read the Consent Agenda.

a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (CITY WIDE) APR05-22-91

b. WATER: CONTINUATION OF JOINT FUND AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO MONITOR STREAM FLOWS AND SUBSIDENCE AND CHANGE IN AQUIFER STORAGE (OUTSIDE CITY) APR05-22-94

Resolution No. 23453 relating to Water; authorizing and approving the execution of a joint funding agreement between the United States Geological Survey (USGS) and the City Of Tucson for an additional five years to monitor stream flows (gaging) and subsidence and change in aquifer storage in the Tucson area; and declaring an emergency.

- c. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT: WITH THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA FOR TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING, PLANNING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES (CITY WIDE) APR05-22-95

Resolution No. 23454 relating to Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) and Transportation; authorizing and approving an IGA between the Arizona Board of regents on behalf of the University of Arizona (University) and the City of Tucson (City) for transportation engineering, planning and technical services; and declaring an emergency.

- d. FINAL PLAT: (S19-061) 915 S. 2ND AVENUE, LOTS 1 AND 2 (WARD 5) APR05-22-93

Staff recommends that Mayor and Council approve the plat as presented. The Applicant is advised that building/occupancy permits are subject to the availability of water/sewer capacity at the time of actual application.

- e. FINAL PLAT: (S21-056) BLACKHAWK FLEXIBLE LOT DEVELOPMENT, LOTS 1 THROUGH 310, BLOCK 1, COMMON AREAS "A", "B" AND "C" (WARD 5) APR05-22-96

Staff recommends that Mayor and Council approve the plat as presented. The Applicant is advised that building/occupancy permits are subject to the availability of water/sewer capacity at the time of actual application.

- f. EDA BUILD BACK BETTER REGIONAL CHALLENGE GRANTEE AUTHORIZATIONS (CITY WIDE) APR05-22-92

Resolution No. 23455 relating to Economics Initiatives; approving subawards under a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development administration (EDA) in the amount of \$500,000 on behalf of the Southern Arizona Coalition for Climate Adaptation and Resilience (Coalition); and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Council Member Fimbres, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, that Consent Agenda Items a – f, be passed and adopted and the proper action taken.



8. **CITY ADMINISTRATION: APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SAMUEL CREDIO AS THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR (CITY WIDE) APR05-22-97**

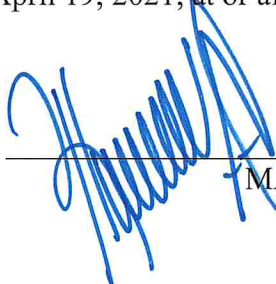
Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 97, dated April 5, 2022, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 11890 by number and title only.

Ordinance No. 11920 relating to the Department of Transportation and Mobility; approving the appointment of Samuel Credio as the Director of the Department of Transportation and Mobility and fixing compensation; setting an effective date and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Council Member Fimbres, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Ordinance 11920, naming Samuel Credio as the Transportation and Mobility Department Director.

9. **ADJOURNMENT: 6:53 p.m.**

Mayor Romero announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council would be held on Tuesday, April 19, 2021, at or after 5:30 p.m.

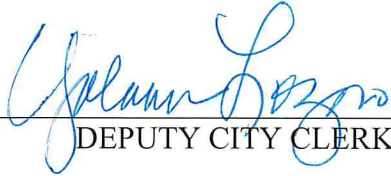
  
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MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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CITY CLERK

# CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, the undersigned, have read the foregoing transcript of the meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson, Arizona, held on the 5th day of April 2022, and do hereby certify that it is an accurate transcription.



DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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