



MAYOR AND COUNCIL Study Session Minutes

Approved by Mayor and Council
on February 7, 2023.

Date of Meeting: May 3, 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 study session remotely through Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Romero at 1:37 p.m.

OFFICIAL MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Mayor Regina Romero
Vice Mayor Lane Santa Cruz (Ward 1)
Council Member Cunningham (Ward 2)
Council Member Kevin Dahl (Ward 3)
Council Member Nikki Lee (Ward 4)
Council Member Richard G. Fimbres (Ward 5) (electronic attendance)
Council Member Steve Kozachik (Ward 6)

OFFICIAL MEMBERS

ABSENT:

None

STAFF:

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

1. Executive Session – City of Tucson v. Pongratz, LLC, et al., Pima County Superior Court Case No. C20202928 (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-89

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to enter into Executive Session as noticed on the agenda.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to return to open session.

2. Mayor and Council Direction Regarding Executive Session – City of Tucson v. Pongratz, LLC., et al., Pima County Superior Court Case No. C20202928 (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-90

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to proceed as discussed in Executive Session.

3. City Manager’s Report and Update on COVID-19; Ongoing City and County Mitigation Measures; Funding and Appropriations; and Related Legal Matters (City Wide and Outside City) SS/MAY03-22-91

Information was provided by Michael J. Ortega, City Manager, who fielded and answered questions.

No formal action was taken.

4. Submission of the City Manager’s Recommended Fiscal Year 2022/23 Budget, Including the Capital Improvement Program (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-93

Information and presentation were provided by Michael J. Ortega, City Manager, who fielded and answered questions on the following:

- Key Concepts
 - ✓ financial stability and sustainability,
 - ✓ staffing model,
 - ✓ fund balance investment plan,
 - ✓ enhancement and expansion of services (community health, safety and wellness, housing and homelessness, public safety [communications, fire, police], equity and code enforcement)
 - ✓ ARPA.
- FY 21/22 Overview
 - ✓ Revenues over Expenses
 - ✓ One-time Investments
 - ✓ 4-year ARPA Strategic Framework
- FY 22/23 Budget Introduction
 - ✓ Structural balance
 - ✓ Base Budget & Supplementals
 - ✓ Investment Plan
 - ✓ Expenditure Limit
- FY 22/23 General Fund Overview

- ✓ Expenditures
- ✓ Departmental Budgets
- ✓ Special Revenue & Enterprise Funds

Mr. Ortega also spoke about salary adjustments and mentioned the three different scenarios that were in the Mayor and Council material.

Discussion ensued; no formal action was taken.

RECESS: 3:48 p.m.

RECONVENE: 4:04 p.m.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: All present

STAFF: All present

5. Discussion on Becoming a Vision Zero Community (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-92

Introductory comments were made by Mayor Romero.

Information and presentation were provided by Samuel Credio, Department of Transportation and Mobility Director, who fielded and answered questions on what it meant to become Vision Zero (traditional approach vs vision zero) and the City's current efforts such as the 5-year Traffic Safety Plan, Pedestrian Safety Action Plan, Traffic Safety Working Task Force, Identification of High Injury Network (pedestrians), System Wide Network Screening, System in Place to Query Crash Data, Complete Streets Policy, Public Outreach and Education Efforts and Safe Routes to School Education Program.

Discussion ensued.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, duly seconded, and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to direct staff to return to the Mayor and Council with a strategy to pursue becoming a Vision Zero Community that includes the following:

- A systems-based approach focused on the built environment that takes into account existing plans, programs and policies that influence behavior;
- An assessment of the Vision Zero action plans that exist in other cities; and
- A priority on equity when targeting areas of need for infrastructure investment to improve safety for all modes of travel.

6. Updates on State and National Legislation and Regional Committees (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-86

Information was provided by Andrew Greenhill, Intergovernmental Relations Manager, who fielded and answered questions.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and carried by a voice

vote of 7 to 0, to oppose HB2481.

7. Mayor and Council Discussion of Regular Agenda (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-87

Mayor Romero requested that Consent Agenda Item 7b be considered separately:

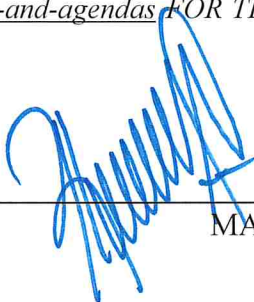
Item 7b – Tucson Code: Amending (Chapter 1) Relating to Consolidation and Renumbering of Precinct City Wards by the Pima County Board of Supervisors.

8. Mayor and Council Discussion of Future Agendas (City Wide) SS/MAY03-22-88

No items were identified.

9. ADJOURNMENT – 4:43 p.m.

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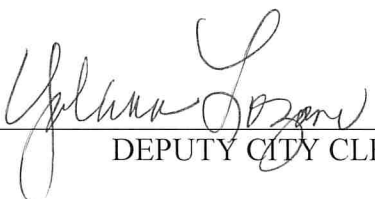
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\CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

I, the undersigned, have read the foregoing transcript of the study session meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson, Arizona, held on the 3rd day of May 2022, and do hereby certify that it is an accurate transcription.



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