

Minutes of MAYOR AND COUNCIL Meeting

Approved by Mayor and Council on October 21, 2025.

Date of Meeting: April 8, 2025

The Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson met in regular session in the Mayor and Council Chambers in City Hall, 255 West Alameda Street, Tucson, Arizona, at 5:54 p.m., on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 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:

Regina Romero

Mayor

Lane Santa Cruz

Vice Mayor, Council Member Ward 1 Council Member Ward 2

Paul Cunningham Kevin Dahl

Council Member Ward 3

Nikki Lee

Council Member Ward 4 (electronic attendance)

Karin Uhlich

Council Member Ward 6 (electronic attendance)

Absent/Excused:

Richard G. Fimbres

Council Member Ward 5

Staff Members Present:

Timothy M. Thomure

City Manager

Mike Rankin

City Attorney

Suzanne Mesich

City Clerk

Mayor Romero announced that Council Members Lee and Uhlich would be participating electronically through Microsoft TEAMS.

(NOTE: Minutes Items considered separately or a Public Hearing will be transcribed as verbatim minutes.)

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

a. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Pastor Phillip Kruis, Rincon Mountain Presbyterian Church.

b. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented by the Mayor and Council and public in attendance.

c. PRESENTATIONS:

- 1. Mayor Romero proclaimed April 2025 to be "Fair Housing Month."
- 2. Mayor Romero proclaimed April 27, 2025, through May 3, 2025, to be "Pima-Tucson Read Aloud Week.
- 3. Mayor Romero proclaimed April 13th through April 19th, 2025, to be "National Public Safety Week."

RECESS: 6:24 p.m.

RECONVENE: 6:30 p.m.

MAYOR & COUNCIL: All present, except Council Member Fimbres (absent/excused)

STAFF: All present

d. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 91, dated April 8, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked for a motion to approve the appointments in the report.

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded and carried by a voice vote of 6 to 0 (Council Member Fimbres absent/excused), to approve the appointments in the report.

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

No personal appointments were made at this time.

3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORT: SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 86, dated April 8, 2025, 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 given by Mayor Romero, Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, and Council Member Cunningham.

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

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 87, dated April 8, 2025, 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 report was given by Timothy M. Thomure, City Manager.

5. LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 88, dated April 8, 2025, 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. Tribute Bar & Grill, Ward 6

City #11-25, Series: 12

Agent: David Christopher Kinn Address: 4746 E. Grant Rd.

Action must be taken by: April 12, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

2. Walmart Fuel Station #1291, Ward 2

City #12-25, Series: 10

Agent: John Dean Curtis II

Address: 7150 E. Speedway Blvd.

Action must be taken by: April 12, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

c. Special Event(s)

1. Snakes n Critters Animal Sanctuary, Ward 3

City #T20-25

Applicant: David Doyle Martin Address: 119 W. Alturas St. Purpose: Howling for the Hounds

Event Date(s): May 9, 2025 - May 10, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

2. Climbing Tree Community School, Ward 6

City #T23-25

Applicant: April Turner

Address: 1695 N. Country Club Rd.

Purpose: Spring Fun!Raiser Event Date(s): April 25, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

3. Tucson Community School, Ward 3

City #T26-25

Applicant: Arianna D. Price Adress: 2109 E. Hedrick Dr.

Purpose: Fundraiser

Event Date(s): May 17, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

4. The Mini Time Machine Museum, Ward 3

City #T28-25

Applicant: Djamila Jean-Charles Address: 4455 E. Camp Lowell Dr.

Purpose: Minis + Sip: Cactus Patio Scene

Event Date(s): April 24, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

5. La Frontera Mariachi Conference, Inc., Ward 1

City #T29-25

Applicant: Kathy Guzman Wells Address: 101 N. Stone Ave.

Purpose: Fundraiser

Event Date(s): April 26, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

6. Arizona Wine Growers' Association, Ward 4

City #T30-25

Applicant: Emily Rieve

Address: 4450 S. Houghton Rd.

Purpose: Local Arizona Wine Festival

Date(s): April 19, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

7. Intermountain Centers for Human Development, Inc., Ward 1

City #T31-25

Applicant: Judith Monica Gramajo

Address: 401 N. Bonita Ave.

Purpose: Stars Around Us: Foodie Edition

Event Date(s): April 24, 2025

Staff has indicated the applicant is in compliance with City requirements.

d. Agent Change/Acquisition of Control/Restructure

NOTE: There are no new license application(s) scheduled for this meeting.

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded and carried by a voice vote of 6 to 0 (Council Member Fimbres absent/excused) to forward items 5b1 and 5b2, and 5c1 through 5c7, to the Arizona State Liquor Board with a recommendation for 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:

Jeanne Lukasko	Violet Winters	Joshua Kellogg
Sarina Mann	Abby Okrent	Ben Lucero
Rocque Perez	Victoria DeVasto	Edward Fikes
Alienna Nezelek	Sally Fikes	Kylie Walzak
Desi Navarro.	-	

Mayor Romero requested the City Manager to schedule a meeting with AFSCME union representatives.

7. CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS A THROUGH I

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) APR08-25-89
- b. LEASE OF MATERIALS TESTING LAB FROM PIMA COUNTY TO CITY OF TUCSON, LOCATED AT 1313 S. MISSION ROAD (WARD 1) APR08-25-93

Ordinance No. 12154 relating to real property; authorizing and approving the lease agreement between Pima County and the City of Tucson (City) for dormant County space located at 1313 S. Mission Road; and declaring an emergency.

c. AGREEMENT WITH ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR COST REIMBURSEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A PFAS TREATMENT FACILITY AT THE TUCSON AIRPORT REMEDIATION PROJECT (WARD 5 AND CITY WIDE) APR08-25-99

Resolution No. 23909 relating to water and Intergovernmental Agreements; authorizing and approving the execution of an Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Tucson through Tucson Water and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEG) for reimbursement of Tucson Water's costs to plan, design, and build a per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) treatment facility at the Tucson Airport Remediation Project (TARP); and declaring an emergency.

d. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA): WITH ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE TUCSON POLICE DEPARTMENT-HB2897-LOCAL BORDER SUPPORT (CITY WIDE) APR08-25-94

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Resolution No. 23906 relating to Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA); approving and authorizing execution of an IGA between the City of Tucson (City) and the State of Arizona on behalf of the Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) to provide funding for replacement vehicles for the Tucson Police Department's Service Dog Unit (SDU); and declaring an emergency.

e. AUTHORIZATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF WATER REVENUE REFUNDING OBLIGATIONS, SERIES 2025 (CITY WIDE AND OUTSIDE CITY) APR08-25-95

Ordinance No. 12155 An ordinance relating to finance: authorizing the Finance Director or Chief Financial Officer of City of Tucson, Arizona, to cause the sale and execution and delivery pursuant to an obligation indenture of Water System Revenue Refunding obligations, Series 2025, evidencing proportionate interests of the holders thereof in installment payments of the purchase price to be paid by the City of Tucson, Arizona, pursuant to a Series 2025 city purchase agreement; authorizing the completion, execution and delivery with respect thereto of all agreements necessary or appropriate for the refinancing of costs of acquiring improvements to the storage, treatment and distribution facilities of the Water System of the city and related financing costs including the delegation to the Finance Director or Chief Financial Officer of certain authority with respect thereto and including with respect to such refinancing authorization of the execution and delivery of a depository trust agreement with respect to certain obligations to be refunded; authorizing the preparation and delivery of an official statement with respect to such Series 2025 obligations; ordering the sale of such Series 2025 obligations; authorizing the execution and delivery of a continuing disclosure undertaking with respect to such obligations; and authorizing the Finance Director or Chief Financial Officer to expend all necessary funds therefor.

f. APPROVAL OF A MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN FUSE CORPS LLC AND CITY OF TUCSON (CITY WIDE) APR08-25-96

Resolution No. 23907 relating to the City Manager's Office; authorizing and approving a Master Agreement between Fuse Corps LLC and the City of Tucson (City) for Executive Fellowships Placements; authorizing the City Manager or Designee to execute up to three Individual Placement agreements under the Master Agreement; and declaring an emergency.

g. AMENDMENT TO THE IGA AWARDING THE CITY'S COMMUNITY SAFETY, HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS) STATE OPIOID RESPONSE IV FY25 GRANT PROGRAM (CITY WIDE) APR08-25-97

Resolution No. 23908 relating to Intergovernmental Agreements; amending the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tucson and the Arizona Healthcare Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) awarding a grant to the city from the State Opioid Response IV Grant Program; and declaring an emergency.

h. AMENDMENT TO IGA WITH PIMA COUNTY TO MANAGE THE PROPOSITION 407 HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECT AT FORT LOWELL PARK (WARD 2) APR08-25-92

Resolution No. 23905 relating to Intergovernmental Agreements; amending the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tucson and Pima County to manage the Proposition 407 Historic Preservation Project at Fort Lowell Park; and declaring an emergency.

i. FINAL PLAT FOR (TD-DIV-0125-00006) LOT 1, REDONDO TOWER-TUCSON (WARD 1) APR08-25-98

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

8. REZONING - ORDINANCE ADOPTION C9-21-18, U-HAUL - BROADWAY BOULEVARD, C-1 to C-2 (Ward 2) APR08-25-90

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 90, dated April 8, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She said this was a request by Amerco Real Estate Company to rezone approximately 4.1 acres from C-1 to C-2. The rezoning site is located at the southeast corner of E. Broadway Boulevard and S. Camino Seco. She said the City Manager and Zoning Examiner approve the rezoning request.

Mayor Romero asked if the applicant or representative was present and agreeable to the proposed requirements.

Rob Longaker III of the WLB Group on behalf of the property owners was present and stated they were agreeable to the proposed requirements.

Mayor Romero asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 12153 by number and title only,

Ordinance No. 12153 relating to zoning: amending zoning district boundaries in the area located at the southeast corner of E. Broadway Boulevard and S. Camino Seco in case C9-21-18 U-Haul – Broadway Boulevard, C-1 To C-2 and setting an effective date.

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Council Member Fimbres absent/excused) to pass and adopt Ordinance 12153.

9. INITIATION OF WATER RATE REVISION PROCESS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A DIFFERENTIAL RATE STRUCTURE FOR TUCSON WATER CUSTOMERS LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED PIMA COUNTY; RECOMMENDED INCREASE IN THE GREEN STORMWATER FEE; RECOMMENDED INCREASE IN THE WATER CONSERVATION FEE; ADOPTION OF A NOTICE OF INTENTION. (CITY WIDE AND OUTSIDE CITY) APR08-25-100

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 100, dated April 8, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to reach Resolution 23910 by number and title only.

Resolution No. 23910 relating to water; approving the publication of a Notice of Intention to implement a differential rate structure for Tucson Water customers located in unincorporated Pima County and a corresponding adjustment in rates charged to customers in incorporated service areas to keep the rate change revenue neutral; increase the Water Conservation Fee and the Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) fee; scheduling a public hearing; and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded and passed by a roll call vote of 6 to 0 (Council Member Fimbres absent/excused) to pass and adopt Resolution 23910.

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Romero announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council would be held on Tuesday, April 22, 205, at 5:30 p.m. in the Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall, 255 West Alameda, Tucson, Arizona

ATTEST:

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 8th day of April 2025, and do hereby certify that it is an accurate transcription.

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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