



Minutes of MAYOR AND COUNCIL Meeting

Approved by Mayor and Council
on January 21, 2026.

Date of Meeting: June 3, 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 5:37 p.m., on Tuesday, June 3, 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
Paul Cunningham	Council Member Ward 2
Kevin Dahl	Council Member Ward 3
Nikki Lee	Council Member Ward 4
Rocque Perez II	Council Member Ward 5
Karin Uhlich	Council Member Ward 6

Absent/Excused:

None

Staff Members Present:

Timothy M. Thomure	City Manager
Mike Rankin	City Attorney
Maria Talamante	Assistant City Clerk

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

a. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Pastor Larry Munguia, The S.O.B.E.R. Project.

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 June 2025 to be "LGBTQ+ Pride Month"
2. Mayor Romero proclaimed June 3, 2025 to be "Arizona Jobs with Justice Day"
3. Mayor Romero proclaimed June 3, 2025 to be "National Gun Violence Awareness Day"

d. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 162, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She 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 161, dated June 3, 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 provided by Mayor Romero, Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, and Council Members Cunningham, Dahl, and Perez.

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

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 163, dated June 3, 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 reports were provided by Timothy M Thomure, City Manager.

5. LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 164, dated June 3, 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. The Ranch Bar & Grill, Ward 2
City #17-25, Series: 12
Agent: Jared Buford Richardson
Address: 9155 E. Tanque Verde Rd. #177
Action must be taken by: June 9, 2025

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

2. Seis Kitchen, Ward 1
City #18-25, Series: 12
Agent: Ryan Witner Anderson
Address: 130 S. Avenida Del Convento #130 & #150
Action Must be taken by: June 10, 2025

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

3. Q'S Market, Ward 5
City #19-25, Series: 10
Agent: Jibreel Abdulkader Nagi Alghaithi
Address: 4425 S. 6th Ave.
Action Must be taken by: June 10, 2025

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

4. Don Baja Grill, Ward 6
City #20-25, Series: 12
Agent: Cinthya Gabriela Munoz Leal
Address: 5754 E. 22nd St.
Action must be taken by: June 13, 2025

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

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)

1. Sonoran House Sam Hughes, Ward 6
City #21-25, Series: 6
Agent: Kevin Arnold Kramber
Address: 2513 E. 6th St.
Action must be taken by: June 16, 2025

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

c. Special Event(s)

1. Our Lady of LaVang Parish, Ward 3
City #T37-25
Applicant: Julia Van Le
Address: 3201 E. Presidio Rd.
Purpose: Night Market
Event Date(s): June 13, 2025 - June 14, 2025

Staff has indicted 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 7 to 0, to forward Items 5b1 through 5b5 and 5c1 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:

Shana West	Dennis Molnar	Robin McArdle
Chris Giokaris	Allen Benz	Shane Dansdill
Liliana Babb	Victoria DeVasto	Jesse Lugo
Susan VanBeber	Stephen Brigham.	

Mayor Romero requested staff to follow up with Liliana Babb on her comments.

7. CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS A THROUGH J

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) JUN03-25-165
- b. FINAL PLAT FOR (TD-DIV-0924-00078) PARK MILTON, LOTS 1-4 (WARD 5) JUN03-25-166
- c. FINAL PLAT FOR (TD-DIV-1023-00114) THE STONES LOTS 1-4 (WARD 6) JUN03-25-167
- d. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA): WITH PIMA COUNTY AND THE CITY OF TUCSON - LEASE DORMANT DATA CENTER SPACE IN PIMA COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS CENTER (PECOC) FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DISASTER RECOVERY (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-168

Resolution 23935 relating to Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA); approving and authorizing execution of an IGA between the City of Tucson (City) and Pima County to provide for city use of data racks in the Pima County Emergency Communications Operations Center (PECOC) for the city's emergency failover data center needs; and declaring an emergency.

- e. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA): WITH THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS FOR USE OF HAROLD BELL WRIGHT PARK (WARD 2) JUN03-25-169

Resolution No. 23936 relating to Parks and Recreation; authorizing and approving the use agreement between the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department and the Church of St. Michael and All Angels for use of Harold Bell Wright Neighborhood Park for a term for five (5) years; and declaring an emergency.

(This item was considered separately.)

- f. LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DANIEL VALENZUELA DBA JIREH STUDIOS, LLC TO OCCUPY 1,559 RENTABLE SQUARE FEET AT 143 N. STONE AVE, RP 2200, REAL ESTATE SERVICES NO. 2025-222 (WARD 1) JUN03-25-170

Ordinance No. 12168 relating to real property; authorizing and approving the lease agreement between Daniel Valenzuela dba Jireh Studios, LLC and the City of Tucson (City) for ground floor retail space located at 143 N. Stone Avenue; and declaring an emergency.

- g. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS TO FULFILL CONTINUUM OF CARE GRANTS (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-171

Resolution No. 23937 relating to Housing and Community Development; authorizing approval and execution of subrecipient agreements with partner entities to fulfill obligations of the City Under U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) FY23 Continuum of Care (CoC) Grants; and declaring an emergency.

- h. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS TO FULFILL CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS GRANTS (WARDS 3, 4, AND 6) JUN03-25-173

Resolution No. 23939 relating to Housing and Community Development; authorizing approval and execution of subrecipient agreements with partner entities to fulfill Choice Neighborhoods Grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and declaring an emergency.

- i. VACATION AND SALE OF PORTIONS OF CITY OWNED RIGHTS-OF-WAY LA CHOLLA BLVD AND FORT LOWELL ROAD, NEAR THE I-10 PRINCE INTERCHANGE (PRINCE 10 PAD) RES 2022-097 (WARD 3) JUN03-25-174

Ordinance No. 12170 relating to real property and transportation; vacating portions of City-Owned Rights-Of-Way at La Cholla Boulevard and Fort Lowell Road near the I-10 Prince Interchange; declaring the vacated Rights-Of-Way to Be Surplus Property; approving the sale of the vacated Rights-Of-Way; and declaring an emergency.

- j. RESOLUTION: STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS AND DECLARATION OF FIRE EMERGENCY IN CITY OF TUCSON (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-181

Resolution No. 23941 relating to public health and safety; adopting fire restrictions consistent with the stage 2 restrictions implemented by the Arizona State Forester and the Pima County Board of Supervisors; and authorizing the Mayor to exercise emergency powers under A.R.S. § 26-311 to protect public health and safety relating to the ongoing increased wildfire risk until further notice; and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Council Member Lee, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, that Consent Agenda Items a – j, with the exception of Item e which was considered separately, be passed and adopted, and the proper action taken.

7. CONSENT AGENDA – ITEM E

- e. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT (IGA): WITH THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS FOR USE OF HAROLD BELL WRIGHT PARK (WARD 2) JUN03-25-169

Resolution No. 23936 relating to Parks and Recreation; authorizing and approving the use agreement between the Tucson Parks and Recreation Department and the Church of St. Michael and All Angels for use of Harold Bell Wright Neighborhood Park for a term for five (5) years; and declaring an emergency.

(This item was considered separately at the request of Council Member Cunningham.)

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Consent Agenda Item e.

8. PUBLIC HEARING: HEARING AND PASSING ON ANY WRITTEN OBJECTIONS TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 ASSESSMENTS ON THE PROPERTY WITHIN THE DOWNTOWN TUCSON ENHANCED MUNICIPAL SERVICES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (THE “BID”) AND AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE ASSESSMENTS (WARDS 1 AND 6) JUN03-25-172

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 172, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She said this was the time and place legally advertised for a public hearing to take formal action to levy special assessments within the BID. Staff recommends approval of the Resolution for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026.

Mayor Romero said the public hearing was scheduled to last for no more than one hour and speakers were limited to five-minute presentations. She asked if there was anyone wishing to be heard on the item.

There were no speakers.

It was moved by Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to close the public hearing.

Mayor Romero asked the City Clerk to read Resolution 23938 by number and title only.

Resolution No. 23938 relating to the Downtown Tucson Enhanced Municipal Services Improvement District (The “BID”); hearing and passing on objections to assessments for fiscal year 2026; and adopting assessments on property within the BID.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Resolution 23938.

9. PUBLIC HEARING: FISCAL YEAR 2026 (FY26) BUDGET AS TENTATIVELY ADOPTED ON MAY 20, 2025 AND INCREASE TO PROPERTY TAX LEVY (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-175

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 175, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She said this was the time and place legally advertised for a public hearing to discuss the Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) Budget as Tentatively Adopted on May 20, 2025, and the Truth in Taxation Property Tax Increase.

Mayor Romero said the public hearing is scheduled to last for no more than one hour. Speakers are limited to 5-minute presentations. She asked if there was anyone wishing to speak on the item.

Comments were made by Suzanne Schafer, and Kevin Holder.

Mayor Romero requested staff to follow up with Mr. Holder on his concerns regarding employee communication, compensation, and performance reviews.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to close the public hearing.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded and CARRIED by a voice vote of 7 to 0, to close the public hearing.

AT THIS TIME THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AND CONVENED A SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE BUDGET ADOPTION

RECESS: 7:15 p.m.

RECONVENE: 7:21 p.m.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL: All Present

STAFF: All Present

10. TUCSON CODE: ADOPTION OF COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FY2026 - ANNUAL COMPENSATION PLAN (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-176

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 176, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 12173 by number and title only.

Ordinance No. 12173 relating to Compensation Plan; Tucson Code Chapter 10, Civil Service- Human Resources, Article II, Compensation Plan, Section 10-31, Adopting Salary Schedules For Fiscal Year 2026; Implementing Section 10-31; Ratifying, reaffirming and reenacting sections 10-31(8), 10-31(9), 10-33, 10-33.1, 10-34, 10-34.1, 10-34.2, 10-34.3, 10-34.4, 10-34.5, 10-35, 10-41, 10-47, 10-48, 10-49, 10-52, 10-53, 10-53.1, 10-53.2, 10-53.3, 10-53.5, 10-53.7, 10-53.8, And 10-53.9; amending Section 10-31(7), providing percentages for calculation of compensation from salary schedules for employees in specified assignment positions; all as part of implementation of the annual compensation plan for fiscal year 2026; and declaring an emergency.

Mike Rankin, City Attorney, announced a correction to City Magistrates' compensation as reflected in Pay Schedule A, to capture adjustments that would occur in August. He read the following corrections into the record:

- For City Magistrate, the Hourly Rate would be \$76.813053, and the Annual Rate would be \$159,771.15, with an effective date of August 16, 2025; and
- For Presiding Magistrate, the Hourly Rate would be \$84.494358, and the Annual Rate would be \$175,748.27, with an effective date of August 16, 2025; and
- For Pro-Tem Magistrates, the Hourly Rate would be \$61.45, and the Annual Rate would be \$127,816.92, with an effective date of August 16, 2025.

It was moved by Council Member Dahl, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Ordinance 12173, including the corrections read into the record.

11. ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE PROGRAM RATE (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-177

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 177, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 12169 by number and title only.

Ordinance No. 12169 relating to Development Impact Fees; Adopting the fee report and Development Impact Fee Rates and Schedules for Fire, Police, Street, and Parks and Recreational Facilities; Amending Tucson Code, Division 4, Development Impact Fee Schedules and effective dates; Sections 23A-90 and 23A-91; and setting an effective date.

It was moved by Council Member Lee, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Ordinance 12169.

RECESS: 7:32 p.m.

RECONVENE: 7:46 p.m.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL: All Present

STAFF: All Present

12. ADOPTION OF THE 2023 NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE AND 2024 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODES (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-178

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 178, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 12171 by number and title only.

Ordinance No. 12171 relating to Buildings, Electricity, Plumbing and Mechanical Code; Amending the Tucson Code Chapter 6, Buildings, Electricity, Plumbing and Mechanical Code by Amending Article III, Buildings, Section 6-34, "Building Code Adopted," by Adopting the International Building Code 2024 edition with local Amendments; Section 6-38, "Residential Code Adopted," by Adopting the International Residential Code, 2024 edition with local Amendments; Section 6-66, "Existing Building Code Adopted," by adopting the International Existing Building Code, 2024 edition with local Amendments; Article IV, Electricity, Section 6-84, "Electrical Code Adopted," by Adopting the 2023 National Electrical Code with Local Amendments; Article V, Plumbing Code, Section 6-124, "Plumbing Code Adopted," By Adopting the International Plumbing Code, 2024 Edition with Local Amendments; Article VI, Mechanical Code, Section 6-164, "Mechanical Code Adopted," by adopting the International Mechanical Code, 2024 edition with local Amendments; Section 6-167, "Fuel Gas Code Adopted," by adopting the International Fuel Gas Code, 2024 Edition with local Amendments; Amending Article IX, Swimming Pool and Spa Code, Section 6-191; "Swimming Pool And Spa Code Adopted," by adopting the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2024 edition with local Amendments; Establishing Penalties; and setting an effective date.

It was moved by Council Member Perez, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Ordinance 12171.

13. CITY OF TUCSON'S GENERAL PLAN, PLAN TUCSON 2025; APPROVING PLAN TUCSON 2025 AND DIRECTING IT TO BE SUBMITTED TO TUCSON'S VOTERS FOR RATIFICATION (CITY WIDE) JUN03-25-180

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 180, dated June 3, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She asked the City Clerk to read Resolution 23940 and Ordinance 12172 by number and title only.

Resolution No. 23940 relating to Planning and Zoning; Adopting "Plan Tucson 2025"; and declaring an emergency.

Ordinance No. 12172 relating to Elections; Pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-461.06 And Chapter XX of the Tucson Charter, Calling A Special Election to be held on November 4, 2025 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified Electors of the City of Tucson, Arizona, as a referred measure, a question regarding the ratification of the City of Tucson General Plan for land use within the City known as "Plan Tucson 2025"; and declaring an emergency.

Mike Rankin, City Attorney, announced an amendment to the General Plan would be read into the record.

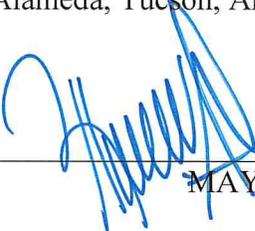
Koren Manning, Planning and Development Services Department (PDSD) Director, read into record the revised Land Use Policy 23, as recommended by staff: "To apply the Conservation Land Systems map and guidelines in a flexible manner during entitlement reviews to promote residential and commercial development while protecting natural resources."

It was moved by Council Member Uhlich, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Resolution 23940 and Ordinance 12172.

Discussion ensued; no further action was taken.

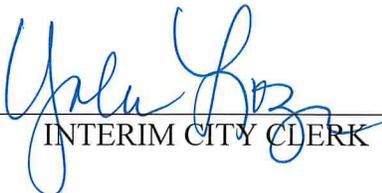
14. ADJOURNMENT: 7:58 p.m.

Mayor Romero announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council would be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., in the Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall, 255 West Alameda, Tucson, Arizona.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



INTERIM 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 3rd day of June 2025, and do hereby certify that it is an accurate transcription.



DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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