

Minutes of MAYOR AND COUNCIL Meeting

Approved by Mayor and Council on August 19, 2025.

Date of Meeting: March 4, 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 5:48 p.m., on Tuesday, March 4, 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 Council Member Ward 3

Kevin Dahl

Council Member Ward 4

Nikki Lee Richard G. Fimbres

Council Member Ward 5 (electronic attendance)

Karin Uhlich

Council Member Ward 6

Absent/Excused:

None

Staff Members Present:

Timothy M. Thomure

City Manager

Mike Rankin

City Attorney

Yolanda Lozano

Chief Deputy City Clerk

Mayor Romero announced that Council Members Fimbres would be participating electronically through Microsoft TEAMS.

(NOTE: Minutes for Items 8 and any Items considered separately for Liquor License Applications and Consent Agenda Items 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 Ashley Evans, 22nd Street Baptist 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 March 4, 2025, to be "Procurement Day and Procurement Professionals' Day." Employees of the City's Procurement Office, Nathan Daou, Norma Camacho, Nora Corral, Salvador Servin, Leticia Riesgo, Sonya Lazo, Tracy Garcia, Rolf Averill, Christopher Geoffroy, Garrett Gillespie, Chad Fields, Maria Hartke, Casey Adams, Lloyd Windle, and Vanessa Stephens were present to accept the Proclamation.

d. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 65, dated March 4, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. There were no appointments to be made 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 61, dated March 4, 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 Fimbres.

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

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 62, dated March 4, 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 APPLICATION(S)

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 66, dated March 4, 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: There are no application(s) for New Licenses scheduled for this meeting.

Person and/or Location 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. Funtasticks Family Fun Center, Ward 3

City #3-25, Series: 7

Agent: Kevin Arnold Kramber Address: 221 E. Wetmore Rd.

Action must be taken by: March 17, 2025

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

c. Special Event(s)

1. Tucson Kitchen Musicians Assn., Ward 1

City #T8-25

Applicant: Claud O. Blackburn Address: 101 N. Stone Ave. Purpose: Tucson Folk Festival

Event Date(s): April 4, 2025 - April 6, 2025

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

2. Latino Pride Alliance, Ward 1

City #T10-25

Applicant: Steve Michael Gallardo Address: 267 S. Avenida del Convento Purpose: Latino Pride Festival Tucson

Event Date(s): April 12, 2025

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

3. North Fourth Avenue Merchants Association, Inc., Ward 6

City: T11-25

Applicant: Casey Anderson

Address: 4th Avenue between 8th Street and University Blvd. and

between 3rd and 5th Avenue.

Purpose: 56th Annual Spring Street Fair

Event Date(s): March 21, 2025 - March 23, 2025

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

4. Tucson St. Patricks Day Parade of Tucson Inc., Ward 6

City #T12-25

Applicant: John Dennis Murphy

Address: 220 S. 6th Ave.

Purpose: Tucson St. Patricks Day Parade and Festival

Date(s): March 16, 2025

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

5. St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Ward 6

City #T14-25

Applicant: Kittie Marie Avalos Address: 215 S. Craycroft Rd. Purpose: St. Joseph's Parish Fiesta Event Date(s): March 22, 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 7 to 0, to forward Items 5b1, 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:

Damonich Meisner Mitchell Salazar Dale Drain Katherine White Jason Huaraque

Ben Lucero Phin Anderson

7. CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS A THROUGH B

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) MAR04-25-64
- b. FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT: WITH TUCSON CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL (TCB) FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2024/2025 (CITY WIDE) MAR04-25-63

Resolution No. 23896 relating to environmental services; authorizing and approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Participation Agreement between the City of Tucson and Tucson Clean and Beautiful; and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Santa Cruz, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, that Consent Agenda Items a and b, be passed and adopted and the proper action taken.

8. PUBLIC HEARING: BINGO LICENSE APPLICATION - ARNETTE CREEK LLC, 7215 E. 22ND ST. STE. 101 (WARD 2)

Mayor Romero announced City Manager's communication number 67, dated March 4, 2025, was received into and made part of the record. She announced this was the time and place legally advertised for a public hearing to take formal action on a bingo license application for Arnette Creek LLC.

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 was no one.

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 23897 by number and title only.

Resolution No. 23896 relating to environmental services; authorizing and approving the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Participation Agreement between the City of Tucson and Tucson Clean and Beautiful; and declaring an emergency.

It was moved by Council Member Council Member Cunningham, duly seconded, and passed by a roll call vote of 7 to 0, to pass and adopt Resolution 23897.

Mayor Romero: Item 8.

City Clerk: Public Hearing: Bingo License Application, Arnett Creek LLC, 7215 E. 22nd St. Ste. 101.

Mayor Romero: City managers communication #67 dated March 4th, is received internally, part of the record this time and place is a legally advertised for a public hearing to take formal action on a bingo license application for Arnett Creek LLC. This public hearing is scheduled to last for no more than one hour, speakers are limited to five-minute presentations. Do we have any speakers please?

City Clerk: No, ma'am.

Mayor Romero: We have no speakers at the time. Is anyone here, in the audience wishing to be heard on this item. Seeing none, is there a motion?

Council Member Cunningham: So, moved.

Council Member Fimbres: Second.

Mayor Romero: There's a motion and a second to close the public hearing. Any discussion on this? All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mayor Romero: Any against, motion carries.

Mayor Romero: The public hearing is closed. Ms. Clerk, you are requested to read Resolution 23897 by number and title only

City Clerk: Resolution 23897, Relating to city clerk approval of bingo license application for Arnette Creek, LLC.

Mayor Romero: What is the Council's pleasure?

Council Member Cunningham: Your Honor, I move that we pass and adopt Resolution 23897.

Council Member Fimbres: Second.

Mayor Romero: There's a motion and a second. Any further discussion? Hearing none, let's go to roll call

City Clerk: Mr. Cunningham – aye; Mr. Fimbres – aye; Vice Mayor Santa Cruz – aye; Mr. Dahl – aye; Ms. Lee – aye; Mx. Uhlich – aye; Mayor Romero – aye.

Mayor Romero: Resolution 23897 passes by a vote of 7 to. Item 9.

City Clerk: Adjournment.

Mayor Romero: Council will stand adjourned. The next regular is scheduled of the Mayor and Council is on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at or after 5:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT: 6:44 p.m.

Mayor Romero announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council would be held on Tuesday, March 18 at 5:30 p.m., in the Mayor and Council Chambers, City Hall, 255 West Alameda, Tucson, Arizona

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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 4th day of March 2025, and do hereby certify that it is an accurate transcription.

DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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