

City of Prescott

Mayor's Veterans Commission



February 4, 2026 | 9:30 AM
Grace Sparks Activity Center
824 E. Gurley Street
Prescott, AZ 86301

AGENDA

The following Agenda will be considered by the **Mayor's Veterans Commission** at their meeting to be held **February 4, 2026**. Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 38-431.02.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**
 - A. Approval of Minutes from the January 7, 2026 Mayor's Veterans Commission Meeting.
Recommended Action: MOVE to approve the minutes as presented
 - B. Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Town Hall Updates - Steve Woods/Ed Reiger.
Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.
 - C. Presentation & Discussion Regarding USVETS Update - Bryan Campbell.
Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.
 - D. Presentation & Discussion Regarding VA Update - Craig Furst.
Recommended Action: This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.
5. **UPDATES**
 - A. Staff Announcements
6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a public majority vote of a quorum of the Board, the Board may hold an executive session, which will not be open to the public, regarding any item listed on the agenda but only for the following purposes:

- (1) Discussion or consideration of personnel matters (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1));
- (2) Discussion or consideration of records exempt by law (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2));
- (3) Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the city's attorneys (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3));

- (4) Discussion or consultation with the city's attorneys regarding the city's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, in pending or contemplated litigation, or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid litigation (A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4));
- (5) Discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the city to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations with employee organizations (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(5));
- (6) Discussion, consultation or consideration for negotiations by the city or its designated representatives with members of a tribal council, or its designated representatives, of an Indian reservation located within or adjacent to the city (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(6));
- (7) Discussion or consultation with designated representatives of the city to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale or lease of real property (A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(7)).

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Prescott City Hall on 1/29/26 at 1:30 p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the Prescott City Council with the City Clerk.

Sarah M. Thornhill

Sarah M. Thornhill, City Clerk



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA: February 4 Mayor's Veteran Commission
DATE: February 4, 2026
DEPT: Human Resources
ITEM #: 4.A
SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes from the January 7, 2026
Mayor's Veterans Commission Meeting.

ITEM SUMMARY

This item is for the approval of the January 7, 2026 meeting minutes. Staff recommends approving the minutes as presented.

BACKGROUND

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

MOVE to approve the minutes as presented

ATTACHMENTS

1. January 7, 2026 Veterans Commission Minutes

City of Prescott
Mayor's Veterans Commission



January 7, 2026 | 9:00 AM
Grace Sparks Activity Center
824 E. Gurley St.
Prescott, AZ 86301

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Woods called the meeting to order at 8:57 AM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

STEVE WOODS - Chair

DAN BERRYMAN - Member

BRYAN CAMPBELL – Member (Absent)

MARTY COLLINS - Member

CRAIG FURST - Member

EDWARD REIGER – Member

RICHARD RODRIGUEZ – Member

CARL SPERLING – Member

JEFF TIMM – Member

4. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Welcome & Introduction of the Newly Appointed Council Liaison –
Councilmember Garing.

- a. Councilmember gave an introduction surrounding the details of his service with the United States Marine Corps.
- b. Members of the commission had the opportunity to introduce themselves.
- c. Councilmember Garing expressed a great interest about learning how the City of Prescott can support veterans. He is looking forward to learning what the commission does and how he can aid in the cause.

B. Approval of the November 5, 2025, Mayor's Veterans Commission Meeting Minutes.

**MOTION BY JEFF TIMM TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED;
SECONDED BY MARTY COLLINS: PASSED (8 - 0)**

C. Presentation and Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Neighborhood Town Hall Update – Steve Woods/Ed Reiger.

- a. Steve reiterated that the goal of the Vet-Connect Town Hall is to coordinate with neighborhoods within the city to bring in services that veterans can utilize. These events are a great opportunity to raise awareness of available benefits for veterans as well as their spouses and dependents.
- b. Steve has a meeting arranged with the Executive Director of the VA, Steve Sample. This meeting will be beneficial in determining how we can partner to better serve the community.
- c. It's a good idea to do a reset with all partners and vendors, to determine

of 2030. There was a goal of 20 but the past years have seen a stall with 12 applicants this year. Of the 12 applicants, 11 were nominated and there is a 60%-70% acceptance rate anticipated. The nomination period for the class of 2031 will be opening in spring.

- C. Craig reiterated that the veteran population in Prescott is nearly 18-20%, one of the largest veteran communities that is not located near a base.
- D. Steve recounted the Wreaths Across America event that took place on 12/13/25; it was a great event and there were many volunteers.
- E. Due to spacing conflicts, the next commission meeting will be held in a different room of the Grace Sparks Activity Center and the meeting will begin at 9:30AM.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chair Woods adjourned the meeting at 9:55 AM.

STEVE WOODS, Chair

ATTEST:

PATRICE BRINKMAN, Staff Liaison



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA: February 4 Mayor's Veteran Commission
DATE: February 4, 2026
DEPT: Human Resources
ITEM #: 4.B
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding Vet-Connect Town Hall Updates - Steve Woods/Ed Reiger.

ITEM SUMMARY

This item is for an update regarding Vet-Connect Town Hall. Chair Woods and Member Reiger will present.

BACKGROUND

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA: February 4 Mayor's Veteran Commission
DATE: February 4, 2026
DEPT: Human Resources
ITEM #: 4.C
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding USVETS Update - Bryan Campbell.

ITEM SUMMARY

This item is for an update regarding USVETS. Member Campbell will present.

BACKGROUND

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

ATTACHMENTS

None



TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA: February 4 Mayor's Veteran Commission
DATE: February 4, 2026
DEPT: Human Resources
ITEM #: 4.D
SUBJECT: Presentation & Discussion Regarding VA Update
- Craig Furst.

ITEM SUMMARY

This item is for an update regarding the VA. Member Furst will present.

BACKGROUND

None.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

This item is for discussion only. No formal action will be taken.

ATTACHMENTS

None