



CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MEETING

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021, 2:00 PM

201 S Cortez Street
Prescott, AZ 86303
Council Chambers

Greg Mengarelli, Mayor

Alexa Scholl, Mayor Pro Tem

Steve Blair, Councilman

Phil Goode, Councilman

Cathey Rusing, Councilmember

Steve Sischka, Councilman

Clark Tenney, Councilman

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON MAY 25, 2021, IN THE 201 S CORTEZ STREET PRESCOTT, AZ 86303 COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mengarelli called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Greg Mengarelli Mayor

Alexa Scholl Mayor Pro Tem

Steve Blair Councilman

Phil Goode Councilman

Cathey Rusing Councilmember – arrived at 2:07 p.m.

Steve Sischka Councilman – arrived at 2:10 p.m.

Clark Tenney Councilman – arrived at 2:07 p.m.

3. DISCUSSION

A. FY22 Budget Workshop #2

Finance Director Mark Woodfill provided a presentation regarding the FY22 Budget, this is

the second meeting to review what was discussed last week and will address specific questions he received from Council. Full capital plan and by department budget is available on the city website and staff conducted a three year comparison because of circumstances of last year. Significant contingencies are built into the budget for items that may come up with projects or opportunities for Council to act on. Budget cannot go up after the adoption of the tentative budget because it would not be appropriated for.

Councilman Goode asked if Mr. Woodfill feels the contingency should be increased.

Mr. Woodfill confirmed that it might be a good idea.

City Manager Michael Lamar concurred, if there are items that are considered “moving parts” those are items you would want to consider.

Councilmember Rusing thanked Councilman Goode for asking for another session and asked staff to provide information on how CARES funds are being spent and an overview of the PSPRS Annual Required Contributions (ARC).

Mr. Woodfill responded that CARES funding in FY20 was used to free-up General Funds for a number of projects in FY21. In the coming fiscal year staff has budgeted for funds from the American Recovery Act and are working with the Treasury to determine how those funds can be spent. Details will be brought back to Council at a future meeting. He also reviewed the ARC normal costs and the unfunded liability which comes out of the General Fund and is decreasing over a period of 17-18 years. Dedicated tax comes in well above projections and the city is well on its way to achieving turning that tax off a year or two early.

Questions Since First Budget Workshop:

- * ADOT Highway 69 Widening contribution
- * Centralization – Effluent Tank, Pipeline and SR89 Widening in the Dells

Public Works Director Craig Dotseth addressed Council regarding the Centralization Project which will place a new effluent tank in the upper corner of the city’s parcel off Highway 89 that will allow city to maintain A+ quality in a closed system. Additionally the pump station at the north east corner of the roundabout will be updated to feed and send up to Sundog Ranch Rd, Watson Lake and Prescott Lakes area.

Mr. Dotseth continued with an overview of the SR69 project which is being done through an IGA between the City/ADOT/CYMPO. Design services will cost approximately \$116,500 for the city and ADOT has \$13 million budgeted for construction. Prescott Lakes Parkway to Uhaul and addition of a central median.

Mr. Lamar asked staff to address a request from Pedestrian Bicycle & Traffic Advisory

(PBTAC) Committee Chair Bill Fannelli regarding dedicated bike lanes on Highway 89.

Mr. Dotseth commented that Mr. Fannelli brought up consideration for Hwy 89 at Deep Well Ranch and cyclists heading South toward the roundabout narrows the bike lane which can cause some safety issues and proposed a lane or path along the side of the roadway. PBTAC requested that this be part of capital improvements plans. Staff has reviewed and there are some complications in signage, culverts, etc. Can begin working toward IGA in FY22 but a project is not funded for in this fiscal year. Also discussion with ADOT for potential of another roundabout north of Deep Well Ranch.

Mr. Woodfill commented that the additional funding for Hwy 69 widening is budgeted for in the Streets Fund.

Remaining Budget Process:

- * 6/8 – Tentative Budget Adoption
- * 6/22 – Hearing and Adoption of Final Budget
- * 7/13 – Adoption of Property Tax Levies

Councilman Goode said that in listening to the County discussions they too are trying to figure out what the new funds can be used for and that is why an additional contingency in this budget is appropriate. He asked what the total cost is anticipated to be for the Centralization Project on Hwy 89.

Mr. Dotseth responded that the anticipated cost will be \$26.5 million from FY22 to FY25 to include the tank, pipeline, SR89 widening through the Dells and conversion of existing pipeline through the Dells.

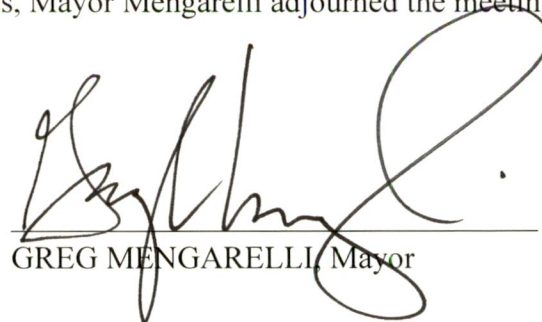
Councilmember Rusing asked if these projects could be covered through WIFA loans.

Mr. Woodfill commented that the first portion was funded through WIFA loans which need to be repaid.

This item was for presentation only, no formal action was taken.

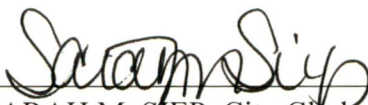
4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Mengarelli adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.



GREG MENGARELLI, Mayor

ATTEST:

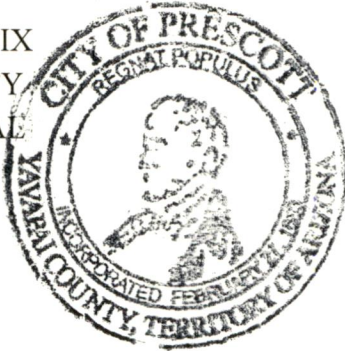

SARAH M. SIEP, City Clerk

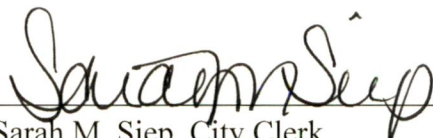
CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of the City Council Workshop Meeting of the City of Prescott, Arizona held on May 25, 2021. I further certify the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Dated this 8 day of June, 2021.

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Sarah M. Siep, City Clerk