

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Town of Parker and to the general public that the Parker Common Council will hold a Regular Meeting, open to the public, at Parker Town Hall at 1314 11th Street on December 5, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Doors open to Council Chambers at 5:30 pm for public seating. As indicated on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), and (3), the Parker Common Council may vote to go into executive session in its special meeting, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters. The public may be asked to temporarily relocate if an executive session occurs. The public will be invited back into Council Chambers when the Council returns from executive session.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

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REVISED 12-04-23
TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, December 5, 2023, 6:00 P.M.

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings Mayor Hartless called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Hartless, Council Member Shontz, Council Member Hooper, Council Member De Leon, Absent Vice Mayor Lucas, Absent Council Member Woodell, Absent Council Member Daniels

Staff: Interim Town Manager/Community Development Director Nora Yackley, Town Clerk Amy Putnam, Finance Manager Megan Poe, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Interim Library Manager Fenix Markel, Town Attorney Christina Estes-Werther (telephonic)

Others Present: Melissa Newton (telephonic), John Gutekunst, Pastor Louie Marsh, William Pennington

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Hartless

INVOCATION: Pastor Louie Marsh, River Church

PRESENTATION: City Ball Field Feasibility Study, Steve Ziegler Public Works Director
This item was tabled and will be brought back for future discussion.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

If you wish to address the Council during this meeting, please read and fill in the information on the "Call to the Public" form and hand it to the Town Clerk. Please limit your comments to a maximum of **3 minutes**.

There was no call to the public.

CHAMBER DIRECTORS REPORT: Melissa Newton

Town Clerk, Amy Putnam, provided an update on Melissa Newton's behalf.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Council, and will be enacted by one motion. There will be a separate discussion of these items if a Council Member so requests. If requested, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

Approve the following:

- a. Regular Council Meeting Minutes of October 17, 2023 (absent Mayor Hartless)
- b. Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism request for street closure. Downtown Experience Tech and Contingency for Parker 400. January 10, 2024 6:00 PM to January 11, 2024 8:00 PM
- c. Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism request for street closure. Downtown Experience Tech and Contingency for Parker Dam 500. February 22, 2024 6:00 PM to February 23, 2024 8:00 PM
- d. Blake Primary School request for street closure. Winter Carnival December 16, 2023 Noon to 5:00 PM

Item a. was tabled due to lack of quorum of members that were present during the meeting.

MOTION: To approve items b-d
BY: CM Hooper
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny purchase agreement with Cloud City Drones for the Purchase of a small unmanned aerial vehicle (drone) \$6,787.52
Michael Bailey, Chief of Police

Chief of Police, Michael Bailey, respectfully requests from council the approval to purchase a drone through Cloud City Drones through a purchase agreement between the Town of Parker and Cloud City Drones. The Parker Police Department received funding through the Industrial Development Authority of the County of La Paz in the amount of \$15,000.00 to purchase a small

unmanned aerial vehicle (sUAV/drone) that could be utilized by the department in various capabilities. Much research has been done to find a drone that would fit the department's needs. It is recommended that we purchase the drone through Cloud City Drones based on past experience with this company. After purchasing a drone, Parker Police Department will train two officers to be certified pilot/operators of the drone. The fiscal impact is \$6,791.00 which will be paid from the Industrial Authority of La Paz County grant. Council Member Lucas asked what the drone would be used for and Chief of Police Bailey responded that the drone could be used for search and rescue types of missions, it has a flare for infrared, mapping of crash scenes, mapping for large crime scenes, and surveillance. Council member Hooper asked if the drone would have the capability to download photos to a computer and Chief Bailey responded yes. Council member Lucas asked if it would be weaponized and Chief Bailey responded no.

MOTION: To Approve purchase agreement with
Cloud City Drones for the Purchase of a small unmanned
aerial vehicle (drone) \$6,787.52
BY: CM Hooper
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motions passed.

2. Discussion and possible action to approve/deny recruitment services for the town manager. The council may provide direction to staff on this item
Nora Yackley, Interim Town Manager/Community Development Director

There was no discussion on this item

MOTION: To table items 2 and 3
BY: Mayor Hartless
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motions passed.

3. Discussion and possible action for the purpose of discussion or consideration of the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of the Interim Town Manager/Community Development Director Nora Yackley. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1), and (3).

There was no discussion on this item

MOTION: To table items 2 and 3
BY: Mayor Hartless
SECOND: CM Shontz
VOTE: With all others in favor, the motions passed.

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

Chamber of Commerce and Tourism-VM Lucas + CM DeLeon
Joint Venture-CM Hooper + CM Shontz *Tribal Committee-Mayor Hartless + CM Daniels* *Parks & Recreation-VM Lucas + CM Daniels* *Senior Center-CM De Leon + CM Shontz* *Streets & Traffic-CM

Hooper + CM Wooddell* *Library Board-CM Shontz + CM Wooddell* * WACOG-Mayor Hartless + CM Daniels*

Council Member De Leon stated the Senior Center served over 130 meals today for lunch and that they are very busy. Council Member Hooper stated the Joint Venture was moving forward and everything was going well.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Saturday	December 9, 2023	Soroptimist 16th Annual Parade of Light	6:00 PM @ Traditional Joshua Street Parade Route
Monday	December 11, 2023	Library Advisory Board	5:30 PM
Tuesday	December 12, 2023	Parks and Recreation Advisory Board	4:00 PM
Thursday	December 14, 2023	Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Monthly Business Mixer at River Sports RV and Marine	5:30 PM
Friday	December 15, 2023	PAACE Movie in the Park	6:00 PM @ Pop Harvey Park
Saturday	December 16, 2023	Parker FFA Winter Carnival	12:00 PM @ Blake Primary School
Monday	December 18, 2023	Parker Community Center Annual Christmas Luncheon	11:30 AM @ Parker Community Center
Tuesday	December 19, 2023	Next Regular Council Meeting	6:00 PM

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURN: Mayor Hartless adjourned the meeting at 6:12 pm.

Some members of the council or the town attorney may attend the meeting either in person or by telephone conference call. Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodation by contacting, the town clerk, (928) 669-9265, at least (72) hours before the scheduled meeting. Facilities are handicapped accessible

The council may vote to recess into an executive session which will not be open to the public, for the purpose of obtaining legal advice regarding any of the agenda items, pursuant to a.r.s. §38-431.03(a)(3).

Approve

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Randy Hartless", is written over a horizontal line.

Randy Hartless, Mayor