

PUBLIC HEARING, REGULAR MEETING, AND EXECUTIVE SESSION 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 the general public that Parker Common Council will hold a public hearing and regular meeting open to the public at Parker Town Hall at 1314 11th Street on March 17, 2026, at 6:00 pm. Doors open to the Council Chambers at 5:30 pm for public seating. As indicated on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(1), (3), and (4), the Parker Common Council may vote to go into executive session in its regular meeting, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters. 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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MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING, REGULAR MEETING, AND EXECUTIVE SESSION
TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026, 6:00 P.M.

CALL THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER: Mayor Hartless called the public hearing to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Hartless, Council Member Shontz, Council Member Daniels, Council Member Madonezcky, Council Member Grenwalt, Absent Vice Mayor Genc, Absent Council Member De Leon

Staff Present: Town Manager Nora Yackley, Town Clerk Darcy Aspa, Human Resource Director/Payroll Megan Poe, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Library Director Fenix Markel, Pierce Coleman Amy Chan (telephonic)

Others Present: John Gutekunst, Rajan Zed, Marcelino Sanchez, Gratzia Matheu

PURPOSE:

1. Discussion

- a. Liquor License Application for Marcelino Sanchez, Owner of Butcher's Steak House, located at 621 Riverside Drive, Parker, Arizona

No discussion or comments from the public on this item. Council wished the new owners the best of luck with the restaurant.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Hartless adjourned the public hearing at 6:01 PM

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Hartless called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Please silence or mute your electronic devices during the Council Meetings

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL: Mayor Hartless, Vice Mayor Genc (arrived via Zoom at 6:05 PM), Council Member Shontz, Council Member Daniels, Council Member Madonezcky, Council Member Grenwalt, Absent Council Member De Leon

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Hartless

INVOCATION: Rajan Zed

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**.

Arizona law prohibits any Town resource, including staff time, equipment, and anything of value to influence an election. This prohibition applies to Call to the Public at the Council meeting. You may discuss a Town issue but do not "advocate" for a specific candidate or ballot measure. Additionally, soliciting petition signatures or campaign contributions or distributing campaign materials is prohibited on Town property. The Town appreciates your efforts to help the Town comply with state law and avoid using taxpayer monies to influence an election.

There was no Call to the Public

CHAMBER DIRECTORS REPORT: Erica Daniels, Director, Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce & Tourism

Chamber Director Erica Daniels shared with the Mayor and Council the current and upcoming events. The Chamber has received more than 600 registrants for the Annual Tube Float so far. Erica thanked all who attended and participated in the Ribbon Cutting at the La Paz County Fair, with around 48 in attendance. On March 19th, the Chamber will hold its Mixer at the Black Hat Saloon located at the La Paz County Fairgrounds. The Chamber is working on having a Bingo/Cinco de Mayo Event. The Chamber is requesting plastic eggs filled with goodies for the Park & Recreation Easter Eggstravaganza on April 4th.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All items in the Consent Agenda are considered 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. Town of Parker Regular Meeting Minutes of March 03, 2026
- b. Liquor License Application #384792 for Marcelino Sanchez, owner of Butcher's Steak House, 621 Riverside Drive, Parker, Arizona
- c. Street Closure Application Annual Easter Eggstravaganza April 4, 2026 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Street Maps included

MOTION:	To approve items a-c
BY:	CM Madoneczky
SECOND:	CM Shontz
APPROVE:	With all present in favor; the motion passed

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny the acceptance of a reimbursement grant from the Arizona State Crisis Intervention Program Grant through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission for purchase and installation of security cameras and lighting at Western Park and Pop Harvey Park.

Michael Bailey, Chief of Police

Chief of Police Michael Bailey shared with the Mayor and Council that the Parker Police Department has been awarded \$55,361.25 in grant funding through the Arizona State Crisis Intervention Program (AzSCIP) to purchase and install security cameras at Pop Harvey Park. Chief Bailey noted this is the second phase of an overall project to have security cameras and lighting installed at both Western and Pop Harvey Parks. Verkada/Oculens will begin the installation of security cameras at Western Park the week of March 23rd, with funding from the same grant last year. There is no fiscal impact to the Town. Once approved, the Parker Police Department will follow the requirements set by the AzSCIP to receive the funding reimbursement. Mayor Hartless asked the Council if there were any questions or comments. No questions or comments were received.

MOTION:	To approve the acceptance of a reimbursement grant from the Arizona State Crisis Intervention Program Grant through the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission for purchase and installation of security cameras and lighting at Western Park and Pop Harvey Park
BY:	CM Shontz
SECOND:	CM Grenwalt
APPROVE:	With all present in favor; the motion passed

2. Discussion and Action to Opt In/Opt Out of the 2026 Intra-County Allocation relating to Opioid Settlement Funding through One Arizona Distribution of Opioid Settlement Funds Agreement

Nora Yackley, Town Manager

Town Manager Nora Yackley provided a brief description of the Opioid Settlement Funding. Nora noted that the Town started this in 2021 and was awarded a settlement, stating we have always turned it over to the County due to it being such a small amount, and that there is a lot of paperwork that goes into that, with the restrictions on what you can and cannot use it for being very narrow. Mayor Hartless asked if the Town wants to opt in or opt out of the settlement. Nora stated to opt in. CM Daniels noted that the information provided notes, to turn it over to the County, the Town would need to opt out of the settlement. Mayor Hartless confirmed to Opt out of the settlement would turn it over to the County. Nora agreed that we would indeed need to opt out.

MOTION: To approve to Opt Out of the 2026 Intra-County Allocation relating to Opioid Settlement Funding through One Arizona Distribution of Opioid Settlement Funds Agreement
BY: Mayor Hartless
SECOND: CM Daniels
APPROVE: With all present in favor; the motion passed

3. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny 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 Town Manager, Nora Yackley. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1), (3), and (4).

MOTION: To approve to discuss item 3 in Executive Session
BY: Mayor Hartless
SECOND: CM Madoneczky
APPROVE: With all present in favor; the motion passed

MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:14 PM

MOVE OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:34 PM

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

CM Daniels reminded the council about the Parks & Recreation Easter Eggstravaganza on April 4th and asked for volunteers to help with the event.

CM Shontz shared that the Joint Venture Board is positive about the progress, and they are working through processes.

Chamber of Commerce and Tourism-Mayor CM DeLeon + Mayor Hartless
Joint Venture-CM Shontz + CM Grenwalt *Tribal Committee-Mayor Hartless + CM Daniels* *Parks & Recreation- CM Daniels + CM Grenwalt* *Streets & Traffic-CM Madoneczky + CM Grenwalt*
WACOG-Mayor Hartless + CM DeLeon* *PAACE-VM Genc + CM Shontz* *Friends/Senior-Mayor Hartless + CM Grenwalt* *Friends/Library-VM Genc + Mayor Hartless*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Monday	March 23, 2026	Streets & Traffic Advisory Board	5:15 PM
Tuesday	March 24, 2026	Planning & Zoning Committee CANCELED	4:00 PM
Tuesday	April 07, 2026	Next 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 6:38 PM

Approve


Randy Hartless, Mayor

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).