

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING, AND EXECUTIVE SESSION OF 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 and Executive Session open to the public, at Parker Town Hall at 1314 11th Street on September 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm. 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), (3), (4), and (7), 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 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.

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**REGULAR MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION
TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, September 17, 2024, 6:00 P.M.**

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

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Hartless called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Nora Yackley, Finance Manager Megan Poe, Chief of Police Michael Bailey, Public Works Director Steve Ziegler, Town Attorney Christina Estes-Werther(telephonic), Town Grant Writer Jon Luther(telephonic)

Others Present: Erin Uken, John Gutekunst, Buni Hooper, Kelly McGuire, Josh Grenwalt, Brie McRae, Courtney Kom, Cory Madoneczky

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Hartless

INVOCATION: Brie McRae, River Church

PRESENTATION: Pop Harvey Park Playground Equipment Replacement, Jon Luther, Town Grant Writer, Steve Ziegler Public Works Director

The Public Works Director Steve Ziegler provided the Mayor and Council with an Action Plan Packet. Steve briefly explained the Plan's contents and discussed grant applications the committee seeks to assist with funding this project. With this Action Plan, there is hope it will improve the grant application outcome. There will be an Archeological Survey done for this project. Parks and Recreation Committee Member Cory Madoneczsky shared briefly his thoughts about the Committee's choice to choose the particular playground model as it would benefit a wider range of youth ages. Courtney Kom from PAACE thanked the Town for allowing the public to provide feedback on this project. Courtney shared some of the youth and adult feedback. Mayor Hartless shared his agreement about making some change to the "dark part" of the park. Courtney provided a list to Mayor Hartless.

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**.

CHAMBER DIRECTORS REPORT: Erin Uken, Chamber Director

Chamber Director Erin Uken stated the Chamber opens up at their new temporary location tomorrow at the Joshua Street Mall in Suite K. She is requesting additional assistance to help move items into storage. The next Chamber Mixer will be held at the Elk's Lodge from 5:30-7:00 PM on September 19th. The CRIT Fair is on November 21st through the 23rd. The Native Film Festival is next Wednesday through Saturday. The next Chamber Mixer will be at the Joshua Street Mall pending approval. Local Bizaars are on October 12, November 23, and December 7. Erin met with Bass Ingle Magazine about the Fishing Tournament and there will need to be strategic marketing within our business community within the Town and County. Erin stated she would be focused on working on that this week. There is a possibility we would have to wait until 2026 to be a part of the Tournament.

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 Meeting Minutes August 8, 2024
- b. Town of Parker Meeting Minutes September 3, 2024
- c. Special Event Application Parks and Recreation Annual Trunk or Treat, October 31, 2024, 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm (street closure map attached)
- d. Special Event Application Streets and Traffic Annual Veterans Day Parade November 9, 2024, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm (street closure traditional Joshua Street parade route)
- e. Special Event Application Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Chamber Mixer and Street Fair October 17, 2024, 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm Joshua Street Mall (street closure map attached)

MOTION: To approve items A through E
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: Mayor Hartless
APPROVE: With all others in favor; the motion passed

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Agreement with Hydra-Stop for the Valve Insertion Equipment Purchase for \$67,741.00

Steve Ziegler, Public Works Director

Public Works Director Steve Ziegler respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to authorize staff to purchase Hydra-Stop Valve Insertion Equipment for \$68,763.00 plus applicable tax and freight costs. The Town has approximately 425 valves throughout the water system. These valves give staff the ability to isolate water main segments to perform water main repairs, meter installations, fire hydrant repairs, etc. Some of these valves are broken in the open position which prevents staff from isolating these water mains to perform repairs. In addition, some of these valves are broken in the closed position. In both cases, the only manner in which staff can replace these valves is to shut down the entire water system. The Hydra-Stop Valve Insertion Equipment will give staff the ability to install replacement valves without having to shut down the entire water system. This will keep the water system safe from contamination, save costs from hiring a contractor, and give staff the opportunity to install valves in locations where we would be able to isolate the Town into 4 quadrants. Hydra-Stop is the sole source provider of this specialized equipment therefore no other proposals were solicited. The funds to pay for this will come from the approved FY 24-25 Water Department Capital Budget where staff budgeted \$70,000 to purchase this equipment. Steve presented a video to the Mayor and Council. Mayor Hartless asked how many valves were going to be repaired. Steve stated that there were several in need of repair currently and it would save quite a bit of money to have this equipment which also comes with training. CM Hooper asked if this equipment worked on a variety of sizes of valves. Steve stated yes.

MOTION: To approve the Agreement with Hydra-Stop for the Valve Insertion Equipment Purchase for \$68,763.00 plus applicable tax and freight costs
BY: CM Wooddell
SECOND: CM Hooper
APPROVE: With all others in favor; the motion passed

2. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Resolution 14-2024 Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the Arizona State Parks For Funding From the Land and Water Conservation Fund For the Pop Harvey Park Playground Replacement Project For Safety

Steve Ziegler, Public Works Director

MOTION: To approve Resolution 14-2024
BY: Vice Mayor Lucas
SECOND: CM Shontz

APPROVE:

With all others in favor; the motion passed

3. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Ordinance 01-2024 amending Title 6 –Police And Public Safety, Chapter 3 – Animal Control, Section 6-3-2 – Livestock and Poultry and Fowl Related to Restrictions on Maintaining Fowl and Youth Program Farm Animals Within The Town and Adding Appeal Provisions and Penalties Thereto; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances; Providing for Severability; and Providing for Penalties.

Michael Bailey, Chief of Police

Chief of Poice Michael Bailey respectfully requests the Mayor and Council to approve the Ordinance 01-2024. Chief eviuewed the current Town Code and discussed the changes to be made. CM DeLeon asked if the penalties would be a dollar amount. Michael stated it would be up to the court. Town Attorney Christina Werther-Estes stated it would depend on if it was a Class One Misdemeanor which has a range of fees and if prosecuted, it would be up to the courts to decide. CM Shontz shared concerns from some members of the community brought to her attention. The Mayor and Council shared a discussion on the pros and cons of the changes.

MOTION:

To approve Ordinance 01-2024 amending Title 6 –Police And Public Safety, Chapter 3 – Animal Control, Section 6-3-2 – Livestock and Poultry and Fowl Related to Restrictions on Maintaining Fowl and Youth Program Farm Animals Within The Town and Adding Appeal Provisions and Penalties Thereto; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances; Providing for Severability; and Providing for Penalties.

BY:

CM Hooper

SECOND:

CM DeLeon

APPROVE:

With all others in favor; the motion passed

MOTION:

To approve the discussion of items 4, 5, and 7 in Executive Session

BY:

Mayor Hartless

SECOND:

CM Shontz

APPROVE:

With all others in favor; the motion passed

4. Discussion and Action to Approve/Deny Proposed Changes to the Lease Agreement Between the Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, and The Town of Parker. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(3),(4) and (7).

Town Manager Nora Yackley is instructed to work with the Town attorney and Chamber representatives to address the proposed changes for the agreement. This item and the proposed changes will be brought back for approval at a future meeting.

5. 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 Chief of Police, Michael Bailey. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1) and (3).

This item was tabled for a future meeting, no action was taken

6. 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 Clerk, Amy Putnam. The Council may vote to discuss this matter in Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1) and (3).

This item was tabled for a future meeting, no action was taken

7. 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) and (3).

There was no action taken on this item

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*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wednesday	September 18, 2024	Joint Venture	10:00 am
Thursday	September 19, 2024	Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Monthly Business Mixer	5:30 pm @ Parker BPO Elks Lodge 1929
Monday	September 23, 2024	Streets and Traffic	5:15 pm
Tuesday	October 1, 2024	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 regular meeting at 9:06 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



Randy Hartless, Mayor