



City of Avondale

City Council Meeting

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City Council Online Meeting

Monday, May 3, 2021

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Mayor and Council

Kenneth Weise, Mayor

Veronica Malone, Vice Mayor

Tina Conde, Council Member | Pat Dennis, Council Member

Bryan Kilgore, Council Member | Curtis Nielson, Council Member

Mike Pineda, Council Member

Administration

Charles A. Montoya, City Manager

Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager

Tracy Stevens, Deputy City Manager | Cherlene Penilla, Deputy City Manager

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SPECIAL MEETING

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

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 2. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION - **Item was presented**
 3. ADJOURNMENT
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WORK SESSION

Convene immediately following the Special Meeting

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Request to Speak: Anyone wishing to address the Council regarding items listed on the agenda or under unscheduled public appearance should email a request to speak to CityClerk@AvondaleAZ.gov prior to consideration of that agenda item.

REGULAR MEETING
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CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF REFLECTION

1. ROLL CALL AND STATEMENT OF PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY CLERK

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(Limit three minutes per person. Please state your name.)

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5. ADJOURNMENT

Summary of District Board Actions

ALAMAR COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT BOARD REGULAR MEETING

Convene immediately following the Regular City Council Meeting

CALL TO ORDER BY DISTRICT CHAIR

1. ROLL CALL BY THE DISTRICT CLERK

2. MINUTES

The District Board **approved** the June 15, 2020 board meeting minutes. The District Board will take appropriate action.

3. RESOLUTION 1-2021 - FISCAL YEAR 2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET

The District Board **adopted** Resolution 1-2021 setting forth the fiscal year 2021-22 (FY2022) tentative budget for the Alamar Community Facilities District. The District Board will take appropriate action.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Council Members of the City of Avondale will attend either in person or by telephone conference call. Individuals with special accessibility needs, including sight or hearing impaired, large print, or interpreter, should contact the City Clerk at 623-333-1200 or TDD 623-333-0010 at least two business days prior to the Council Meeting.

Los miembros del Concejo de la Ciudad de Avondale participaran ya sea en persona o por medio de llamada telefonica. Personas con necesidades especiales de accesibilidad, incluyendo personas con impedimentos de vista u oido, o con necesidad de impresion grande o interprete, deben comunicarse con la Secretaria de la Ciudad at 623-333-1200 o TDD 623-333-0010 cuando menos dos dias habiles antes de la junta del Concejo.

MINUTES OF THE AVONDALE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF AVONDALE, ARIZONA
ONLINE MEETING
May 3, 2021

A **Work Session** of the City Council of the City of Avondale, Arizona was convened using the Zoom Cloud Meeting platform in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. All participants attended by phone or video.

Members Present: Mayor Kenn Weise; Vice Mayor Veronica Malone; Council Members Tina Conde, Pat Dennis, Bryan Kilgore, Curtis Nielson, and Mike Pineda.

Members Absent: None.

Other Municipal Officials Present: Charles Montoya, City Manager; Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager; Cherlene Penilla, Assistant City Manager; Tracy Stevens, Deputy City Manager; Lindsey Duncan, Interim Deputy City Manager; Nicholle Harris, City Attorney; Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk; Kirk Beaty, Public Works Director; Ken Chapa, Economic Development Services Director; Tony Corsi, Fire & Medical Director; Bryan Hughes, Parks and Recreation Director; Craig Jennings, Judge; Keith Fallstrom, Interim Finance and Budget Director; Chris Lopez, Neighborhood and Family Services Director; Darcy Lowery, Interim Human Resource Director; Kevin Murphy, Development and Engineering Services Director; Dale Nannenga, Police Chief; Abril Ruiz-Ortega, Court Administrator; Jeffrey Scheetz, Chief Information Officer; and Pier Simeri, Marketing and Public Relations Director.

Audience: Approximately ten members of the public were present.

1. ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

Note from the City Clerk: Work Session Agenda Item 2 was not presented as the item was pulled from the agenda at the request of Mayor Weise.

2. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S WATER RESOURCES

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Keith Fallstrom, Interim Finance and Budget Director, stated the City's utility services are self-supporting, meaning they are not supported by taxpayers but by those using the

services. An overview was provided regarding the unique expenditure factors that impact each utility. The City has 23,500 water customers which includes residential, commercial and landscape customers. The City has 22,800 sewer customers which includes residential and commercial. The City has 22,900 sanitation customers which is residential-only customers.

Usage by customer classification and consumption was reviewed and billing examples were provided. The average customer currently pays \$78.36 per month. Water fees are based upon the water meter size and capacity. Sewer fees are currently the same for all meter sizes; however, this does not reflect the cost to the City, and this is being addressed. Sanitation fees are based on the service option selected. Water is charged based on usage, tiered to encourage conservation. Sewer is not tracked through meters but there is an assumption of the amount of water that is put into the wastewater system that is based on the water usage. There are 16 commercial classes with differing return assumptions and rates. Residential sewer rates are based on the winter water average.

The City must buy the water it is delivering to residents or pump the water from a well and the City must also account for growth and development while also noting that aging infrastructure becomes costly to maintain. The last water and sewer rate increases were in February of 2018. For sewer, the City must purchase the electricity and chemicals to treat the water and is subject to aging infrastructure. Sanitation fees depend upon the market for recyclables, landfill fees, growth and development, and vehicle related costs. The last sanitation increase was in 2009.

In fiscal year 2021, for all three utilities, the City had more expenditures than revenue. This was planned, as the City had built up a large fund balance with a plan to spend down the balance. Currently, operating expenditures overall are less than income revenue. In 2021 for sanitation specifically, operating expenditures were basically equal and now operating expenditures do exceed revenue. The Water Fund forecast is declining and if the City does not act, it will go below the minimum balance required by policy of six months of operating. For the Sewage Fund, the balance is doing well, but large capital expenses should be anticipated for expansion of the water treatment facility. The Sanitation Fund balance is quickly decreasing, and action is needed.

Goals for utility rates include financial stability; equity; simplicity, and conservation. Costs to provide services were reviewed. The proposed rate plan consists of a two-step rate increase with all utilities increasing in October of 2021. Sanitation will then increase again in July of 2022 and Water/Sewer will increase again in January of 2023.

Water fixed charge changes were reviewed, with the proposal to reduce fixed costs in October 2021 and a 2 percent increase as of January 2023. Variable rates were discussed with recommendation to narrow the tiers from four to three for residential. Proposed rates were reviewed with a recommendation to split landscape and commercial uses. Also proposed are higher costs for larger sewer meter sizes with a movement towards one uniform variable charge. Current and proposed sanitation rates were reviewed.

For those struggling to pay their utility bills, the following options are looking to be offered:

- Application of a waiver of the deposit
- Donation programs
- Utility assistance
- Smart Water Program
- Potential code changes

Next steps in the process were reviewed.

Mayor Weise stated his understanding that the City had been implementing a cost of living increase into the rates every year. Mr. Fallstrom clarified that the last rate increase was in 2018 with no annual adjustments. Mayor Weise commented that having such a protracted time period for discussing the proposed increases does the Council a disservice. He would like to break up the discussion over time. The sanitation change makes the most sense and the plan is easy to understand. The other two are much more complicated. He suggested work sessions for water and sanitation. Mr. Montoya noted that at some point, the rates will not be able to keep up. The Rio Grande River and watershed is at 38 percent capacity. Mayor Weise said he would like to have feedback from the public meetings before Council makes decisions. Mr. Montoya stated that space would be made on future agendas for discussion on these items and that Council receives the presentations for review.

Council Member Conde thanked staff for the presentation. She stated that smaller increases are better for residents and agreed with Mayor Weise that more discussion time and input from the public is needed.

Council Member Kilgore thanked staff for the presentation and agreed with the need for public comment. He would like to hear from the public first as that is who the Council represents. He understands that the City will need to make accommodations, especially since groundwater is a critical resource. He noted that changes are within demand and stated he had questions regarding how the City is compensating for that. Like Mayor Weise, he also thought increases were budgeted in for water, wastewater, and sanitation.

Mayor Weise noted Council Member Kilgore was present in the past during previous conversations about fifteen percent increases, noting that type of increase would be a failure on the Council.

Council Member Nielson said that the tier levels to encourage conservation is a great approach; however, there is a necessary communication aspect, which should include public input, especially as many do not even understand how a tiered system works. He noted having the Homeowner Associations involved in some of the conservation projects. He requested staff add a visual representation on the graph to show the new rate proposal and where the City will be in the future. He acknowledges the need for the City to become more aware of the Colorado River Drought Contingency Program, which will become effective in January of 2022, suggesting for more conservation strategies.

Council Member Dennis referenced the new landscape category and stated the assumption that this will be dedicated to City parks and HOAs. She asked what other entities would fall into this category. Mr. Fallstrom said it would be for any meter that is for outside landscape use. In response to a question from Council Member Dennis, Mr. Fallstrom confirmed that currently, such entities are receiving separate bills for each of their two meters. Council Member Dennis stated that this is a great idea. The increases, particularly for HOAs were significant and most use the water just for landscaping. Many have worked to reduce usage by changing landscaping or removing or rotating grass. Mr. Fallstrom confirmed the rate changes in response to a request for clarification by Council Member Dennis. In response to a question from Council Member Dennis, Mr. Fallstrom said they have not made a recommendation for years 2024 or 2025. Council Member Dennis commented that water rates should be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure adequate collection and assessments are completed. She requested a list of infrastructure projects related to water, sewer and sanitation, which are embedded in the rates. In response to questions from Council Member Dennis, Mr. Fallstrom clarified the water variable amounts.

Council Member Pineda commented on the need to present the water rates to residents as well as consideration of infrastructure costs and variables in order to provide a true picture for the public understanding. He noted the importance of sharing the information with the public and HOAs as they may be an ambassador for sharing the information with others. He agreed with the comments made by Council Member Dennis and noted the importance of calculating the infrastructure costs to relay information accurately.

Mayor Weise said he would much rather have a yearly increase across the board of 3 or 4 percent. He would also like to have a better picture of rate expectations in years 2024, 2025 and 2026 for planning purposes. As a resident, he would rather not have the City lower the rate slightly one year and then increase it in a year or two. It would be easier to plan with regular modest increases.

Vice Mayor Malone agreed with Council Member Pineda that the rates and explanation need to be broken down for easier understanding by residents and that there be effective outreach to residents regarding upcoming public meetings. She concurred with Council Member Dennis regarding obtaining a breakdown of the infrastructure projects and how the projects will impact the budget.

Mayor Weise asked Mr. Fallstrom to schedule time with Council over the next 30 days.

Council Member Dennis asked about the exploration of bonding to fund infrastructure needs. Mr. Montoya said the City has looked at bonding capacity for larger infrastructure projects; however, they are also maintaining impact fees for growth, which offsets bonding. There are bonds that the City will be paying off in two years and after that time, the City will have zero debt. Existing infrastructure issues include the water pressure in Rancho Santa Fe, which is an \$8 to \$10 million fix. Council Member Dennis asked about the guidelines that will determine whether a resident will be refunded a utility deposit. Mr. Montoya stated that staff is looking into this and will provide the parameters in the future.

Mayor Weise recalled the discussion when there was close to \$1 million in unpaid water bills and the community was upset that the City had let it reach that point. As a result, City Council decided to make deposits nonrefundable. He approves of refunding deposits for good-paying customers only.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Kilgore moved to adjourn the Work Session meeting; Vice Mayor Malone seconded the motion.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Council Member Conde	Aye
Council Member Dennis	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye
Council Member Nielson	Aye
Council Member Pineda	Aye
Vice Mayor Malone	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

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Audience: Approximately ten members of the public were present.

1. ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

2. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Gina Montes, Assistant City Manager; was recognized for her nearly fifteen years of dedicated service to the Avondale community. A commemorative video and proclamation were played in honor of her 15 years of service to the City of Avondale. Ms. Montes spoke words of appreciation and provided a review of her time at the City. Council Members spoke words of congratulations and appreciation for Ms. Montes.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Dennis moved to adjourn the Special Meeting; Council Member Kilgore seconded the motion.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Council Member Conde	Aye
Council Member Dennis	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye
Council Member Nielson	Aye
Council Member Pineda	Aye
Vice Mayor Malone	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

A **Regular Meeting** of the City Council of the City of Avondale, Arizona was convened using the Zoom Cloud Meeting platform in open and public session at 7:31 p.m. All participants attended by phone or video.

Mayor Kenn Weise led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent reflection in remembrance of the Arizona Department of Public Safety as well as the Chandler Police Department, the Gilbert Police Departments, and the Buckeye Police Department.

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Council Member Dennis commented that the consent agenda includes the City Manager's contract. She noted the significant amount of work Mr. Montoya has done for the City and thanked him for his efforts. Mayor Weise agreed, particularly considering the significant challenges resulting from the COVID pandemic. A schedule will be developed for staff to take over the on-call burden for weekends.

Mayor Weise asked if any Council Member wished to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda. Having no requests from Council, motion was made by Council Member Dennis, seconded by Council Member Nielson, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

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4. REGULAR AGENDA

a. RESOLUTION 1027-0521 - ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 TENTATIVE BUDGET

City Council considered a request to adopt Resolution 1027-0521 setting forth the fiscal year (FY) 2022 tentative budget and establishing the City's annual expenditure limitation and authorize the Mayor or City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

Lindsey Duncan, Interim Deputy City Manager, provided a brief presentation regarding the final steps to budget adoption. The tentative budget sets the maximum expenditure limitation. From this point on, the budget may not be increased; however, it may be reduced or rearranged. The total tentative budget is \$394.8 million for fiscal year 2022. The expenditure line of \$336.1 million is subject to the City's expenditure limitation, which is governed by home rule.

Slight changes were made from the recommended budget to the tentative budget. For the General Fund, they have altered the contingency and made some previously discussed programmatic changes, including the Litchfield Park IGA, a GIS technician position, a library specialist position, a community outreach and volunteer coordinator position, and CIP carryover adjustments. There were slight alterations within the special revenue fund with carryover adjustments. There have been no further changes to department operating budgets and no additional supplemental requests since what was

previously presented. The next steps were reviewed. Staff recommended adoption of the fiscal year 2022 tentative budget.

Council Member Nielson moved to adopt Resolution 1027-0521 setting forth the fiscal year 2022 tentative budget; Council Member Pineda seconded the motion.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Council Member Conde	Aye
Council Member Dennis	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye
Council Member Nielson	Aye
Council Member Pineda	Aye
Vice Mayor Malone	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Kilgore moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting; Council Member Dennis seconded the motion.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Council Member Conde	Aye
Council Member Dennis	Aye
Council Member Kilgore	Aye
Council Member Nielson	Aye
Council Member Pineda	Aye
Vice Mayor Malone	Aye
Mayor Weise	Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Kenn Weise, Mayor

CERTIFICATION AND ATTESTATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting, Work Session, and Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Avondale held on the 3rd day of May 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that the quorum was present.

Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk

Date Approved by City Council