

MINUTES OF THE AVONDALE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF AVONDALE, ARIZONA
SONORAN CONFERENCE ROOM
December 22, 2021

A **Work Session** of the City Council of the City of Avondale, Arizona was convened at 11465 Civic Center Drive in open and public session at 9:00 a.m.

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

Note: Council Members Dennis and Kilgore attended the meeting by video.

Members Absent: None.

Other Municipal Officials Present: Cherlene Penilla, Assistant City Manager; Tracy Stevens, Deputy City Manager; Lindsey Duncan, Deputy City Manager; Nicholle Harris, City Attorney; Mary Grace McNear, Deputy City Attorney; Stephen Kemp, Attorney II; Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk; Dale Nannenga, Public Safety Chief; and Marshall Pimentel, Intergovernmental Affairs Administrator.

Audience: No members of the public were present.

1. ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

2. ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Weise moved to adjourn the Special Meeting and hold an executive session pursuant to: (a) Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 38--431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4) for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the City Attorney or attorneys of the City concerning legal issues pertaining to the employment agreement between the City and the City Manager and to instruct the City Attorney or attorneys of the City concerning the employment agreement; and (b) Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 38--431.03(A)(1) for discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of the City Manager; 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

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

City Council reconvened the Special Meeting at 11465 Civic Center Drive in open and public session at 10:50 a.m.

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY MANAGER

Council Member Malone moved to place the City Manager on administrative leave; Council Member Nielson seconded the motion. Prior to the vote, Council Member Malone amended her motion to place the City Manager on administrative leave with pay; Council Member Nielson 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

Mayor Weise moved to appoint Cherlene Penilla as Acting City Manager; Council Member Nielson 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

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, Council Member Kilgore moved to adjourn the Special Meeting; Council Member Nielson 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 10:57 a.m.


Kenn Weise (Feb 9, 2022 18:16 MST)

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 of the Council of the City of Avondale held on the 22nd day of December 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that the quorum was present.



Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk

02/07/2022

Date Approved by City Council