



City of Avondale
City Council Meeting
Monday, February 24, 2025

Mayor and Council

Mike Pineda, Mayor

Curtis Nielson, Vice Mayor

Tina Conde, Councilmember | Jeannette Garcia, Councilmember

Gloria Solorio, Councilmember | Shari Weise, Councilmember

Max White, Councilmember

Administration

Ron Corbin, City Manager

Tracy Stevens, Assistant City Manager | Katie Gregory, Assistant City Manager

Dale Nannenga, Deputy City Manager | Nicholle Harris, City Attorney

Marcella Sarmiento, City Clerk

City Council Chamber

11465 West Civic Center Drive

Avondale, AZ 85323

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City Council Meeting Notice & Agenda Monday, February 24, 2025

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER | 11465 WEST CIVIC CENTER DRIVE | AVONDALE AZ, 85323

Request to Speak: Anyone wishing to address the Council regarding items listed on the agenda or under unscheduled public appearance should submit a Request to Speak online at <http://www.avondaleaz.gov/requesttospeak> prior to consideration of that agenda item.

REGULAR MEETING

5:30 PM

Physical Access to the Council Chambers will be available 30 minutes prior to the meeting.

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

1. ROLL CALL BY THE CITY CLERK

2. PRESENTATION ITEMS (DISCUSSION ONLY)

a. EMPLOYEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following new employee of the Development Services Department will be introduced to City Council. This item is for discussion only.

- Alex Rodriguez, Building Inspector

b. PROCLAMATION - GOVERNMENT COMMUNICATORS DAY 2025

City Council will present a proclamation recognizing February 21, 2025 as Government Communicators Day, to recognize and celebrate the invaluable contributions of public communicators across the nation. This item is for discussion only.

c. PRESENTATION BY THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

City Council will receive an update from the Arizona Department of Transportation on the status of State Route 30, Interstate 10 and Loop 101 projects. This item is for discussion only.

d. PROPERTY ALL-STAR CURB APPEAL AWARD PROGRAM

City Council will receive an update from the Office of Public Safety and the Code Compliance Division relating to the Property All-Star Curb Appeal Award Program. This item is for discussion only.

e. OPIOID YOUTH PREVENTION SERVICES GRANT AWARDS PRESENTATION

City Council will recognize five nonprofit organizations selected as award recipients for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Opioid Youth Prevention Services Grant Program. This item is for discussion only.

3. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC APPEARANCES (Time is limited per person. Please state your name.)

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are of a routine nature or have been previously studied by the City Council at a work session. They are intended to be acted upon in one motion. Council members may pull items from consent if they would like them considered separately.

a. MINUTES

City Council will consider a request to approve the January 27, 2025 City Council meeting minutes. The Council will take appropriate action.

b. RESOLUTION 1005-0225 – AMENDMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION BYLAWS AND RESOLUTION 1006-0225 - AMENDMENT TO THE CITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE

City Council will consider a request to: a) adopt Resolution 1005-0225, amending the bylaws of the City of Avondale Planning Commission; b) adopt Resolution 1006-0225, amending the City Council Rules of Procedure to clarify the role of the alternate member and align language with the City Code; and c) authorize the Mayor or City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents. The Council will take appropriate action.

c. RESOLUTION 1007-0225 - AUTHORIZING GRANT ACCEPTANCE FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ) FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM

City Council will consider a request to: a) adopt Resolution 1007-0225, accepting grant funding from the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program in the amount of \$26,613; b) authorize and direct staff to take all steps necessary to cause the execution of the Agreement and to take all steps necessary to carry out the purpose and intent of this Resolution; and c) authorize the Mayor or City Manager, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents. The Council will take appropriate action.

d. AMENDMENT TO THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY AUDITOR, BARBARA COPPAGE

City Council will consider a request to approve an amendment to the Employment Agreement with City Auditor, Barbara Coppage and authorize the Mayor, City Attorney, and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents. The Council will take appropriate action.

5. REGULAR AGENDA

a. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANNEXATION - HOPEWELL AVONDALE APPLICATION PL-24-0242

City Council will hold a public hearing regarding a request by Kimberly Schroeder of Kaeko Inc., on behalf of the property owner Hopewell Avondale, to annex an approximate 5-foot wide strip of land located east of the northeast corner of El Mirage and Indian School roads, which is the southeastern most part of the Hopewell parcel. This item is for discussion and public hearing only; no action will be taken at this meeting.

b. ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2024

City staff will present the City's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and the results of the annual audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024. This item is for information and discussion only.

c. UTILITY RATE DISCUSSION

City Council will receive a presentation from staff on the financial forecast for the water, sewer, and solid waste utilities. Feedback and direction from City Council is necessary in order to finalize a final recommendation on utility rates that will be presented to Council at a future date. This item is for discussion only.

6. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS FROM MAYOR, VICE MAYOR, AND COUNCILMEMBERS (5 minutes)

7. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmembers of the City of Avondale will attend either in person or by telephone or video 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.

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