

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of South Tucson, Arizona, held Monday, May 19, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the City of South Tucson Council Chambers, 1601 South 6th Avenue, South Tucson, Arizona.

Council Present: Paul Diaz
Ildefonso Green
Vanessa Mendoza
Anita Romero
Oscar Patino
Miguel Rojas

Staff Present: Luis Gonzales, City Manager
Veronica Moreno, City Clerk
Chief Lackey, Police Dept.
Dennis Rankin, Police Dept.
Ed Cajas, Police Dept.
Andrea Matheson, City Attorney

Guests: Tom Boyle
Martin Green

Mayor Diaz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilman Patino led the Invocation.

ITEM #04 – ROLL CALL – All members of the Council were present, except for Councilwoman Soltero who was excused.

ITEM #05 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None available

Motion by Councilman Rojas to change the order of the agenda and that Reports and Call to the Audience be addressed before the Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman Green. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #08 – REPORTS – None at this time.

ITEM #09 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE – The following is the transcript of Item #09:

Mr. Boyle: Thank you for your time, Mayor and Council. I have a zoning ordinance issued ...

Mayor Diaz: Could you state your name and address, please, ...

Mr. Boyle: I'm sorry.

Mayor Diaz: ... for the record?

Mr. Boyle: Thomas Boyle, 1809 ½ South 6th Avenue. I have an ordinance issue that I need to take up with the Mayor and Council and the Zoning Director before construction starts right after Memorial Day. I believe the construction site will develop a safety hazard for our pedestrians as well as motor vehicle traffic due to an incident of an easement and the construction company came to my office on Friday, which I was not available to them, but they were telling me they were breaking ground and that we would be losing the ingress/egress to the property. That would be absolutely a safety hazard to our clients that do come to our residence there, as well as the public and the pedestrians that go across South 6th Avenue. So I'd like to, at this time, bring forth to the Mayor and Council, I certainly need to review this with the zoning (inaudible).

Mayor Diaz: Thank you. Okay. So it's noted. Thank you. Would anybody else in the audience like to address the Council?

Mr. Green: Good evening, Mayor and Council, my name is Martin Green, and I reside at 37078 North Pandomine Drive. The reason that I'm here tonight, or we are here tonight, is to present you with a petition signed by over 250 people, or I would say almost 250 people, in opposition to the purchase of the Arizona Children's Home by SAMHC. Our City is known for many reasons; our great Mexican food, our honest hard-working people, our hard-working businessmen and women, occasionally our mean streaks. But one thing we don't want our City to be known as is the Mecca of social and mental health agencies in Southern Arizona. We don't want it. We don't need it. We're aware that SAMHC is looking at buying the old Children's Home. We're concerned about this. This is right next to Mission View School. It's right next to Project Yes where we have our youngest kids, the youngest kids of our families going to. We already know that these kids are at a disadvantage. We know that. Why put them at risk? I don't understand why the community wasn't aware of this possible purchase long ago so that something could have been done to discourage it. I don't know how many on the Council knew about it or when you knew about it, but it's something that I think the community should have known about. Another thing is this agency will put a drain, I think, on our police and fire calls for service from this agency are going to take away police and fire from the rest of the City, in my opinion. I urge you to join with us in trying to make this not happen. Standing up to SAMHC and we're all empathetic people. We love and we want to help our fellow man. But South Tucson has more than its share of these agencies. We're a one-square mile City and these agencies are

everywhere. We don't need another one, we don't want another one. So I would ask that the Council join with us in fighting this and trying to stop it. Thank you very much.

Mayor Diaz: Thank you.

Councilman Rojas: Mr. Mayor, is there a petition to be presented to the City Clerk?

Mr. Green: I have it right here.

Councilman Rojas: Please.

Mayor Diaz: Is there anyone else in the audience that would like to address the Council?

(No response)

ITEM #06 – EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. SECTION 38-431.03(A)(1)(2)(3)

Items for discussion are:

A.R.S. SECTION 38-431.03(A)(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)

1. ACLU – LEGAL ADVICE
2. FINANCIAL, TAXES – LEGAL ADVICE/CONSULTATION

Motion by Councilman Rojas to adjourn the Regular Meeting and convene to Executive Session. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Councilman Rojas to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene to Regular Meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #07 – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

FINANCIAL, TAXES – LEGAL ADVICE/CONSULTATION - Mr. Gonzales stated this item was for discussion only and there is no Council action needed at this time.

ACLU – LEGAL ADVICE – Motion by Councilman Rojas to approve the Immigration Policy and the Settlement Agreement between the City of South Tucson and the ACLU. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #10 – ADJOURNMENT - Motion by Councilman Rojas to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Seconded by Councilman Green. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Paul Diaz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Veronica Moreno, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of South Tucson, Arizona, held on the 19th day of May, 2014. I further certify the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Veronica Moreno, City Clerk