

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of South Tucson, Arizona, held Monday, October 20, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. at the City of South Tucson Council Chambers, 1601 South 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South Tucson, Arizona.

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

Staff Present: Veronica Moreno, City Clerk  
Lourdes Aguirre, Finance  
Richard Vidaurri, Deputy Police Chief  
Marilyn Chico, Housing Director  
Dennis Rankin, Police Dept.  
Edward Matchett, City Attorney

Guests: Victor Doesten

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

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

ITEM #05 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Councilman Patino arrived.

Mr. Doesten: Thank you, Mr. Mayor and Council. My name is Victor Doesten. I live in the City of Tucson. I just came today to kind of share an idea I had just the other morning. I spent the better half of this year trying to basically beg for donations for different organizations or for homeless folks and at one point, I was just begging for socks and anything to get a single pair of socks for someone, so after all this time, I think I concluded that I'd rather just take things into my own hands and use a side business that I have making jewelry. I applied for a City of Tucson license just a few days ago. And I think I'll donate 25% of net profits to an idea that I have to challenge myself for the next five years I want to donate \$25,000 to both the City of Tucson and the City of South Tucson. And I chose ten organizations, including the City of South Tucson, City of Tucson, South Tucson Explorers, Casa Maria, Primavera Foundation, Salvation Army, Boys and Girls Club, Casa de los Ninos, Goodwill, Blake Foundation Easter Seals, and so my goal is basically, you know, \$25 here and there; a thousand \$25 checks will add up to \$25,000. I think \$5,000 a year is a pretty realistic goal for me if I work hard. And that's just coming from my money. I'm not asking for donations from anyone else, just I think if I'm making thirty, forty thousand a year, and doing the side business with jewelry, I think that's something that I can reach and maybe inspire others to do something like that as well, maybe choose one or as many as they can afford. So today, I do have a \$25 donation to South Tucson. I've turned in a \$25 donation to the South Tucson Explorers to Sgt. Schunk the other day. And today, I

went to the City of Tucson and donated the first \$25 to them. And it was kind of interesting because they weren't used to this and it took a while to even donate the \$25 because they didn't know the process and they didn't have citizens, so I joke with them that they don't have a special window for citizens who line up to give them money and they kind of were laughing about that because they didn't even know. So it took a while just to get an account number for that, so it doesn't happen very often. The other thing I did today was talk to principal Jay Slaughter at Ace Charter High School. And what I'm gonna do is use this as a project with some students there at a community and culture class. And hopefully, have their class involved in this and maybe inspire them to do things like that as well. And then I have a lot of friends in town to do charitable organizations like Pay It Forward Tucson with Angel (inaudible) and kind of get with him and other people and, you know, see what we can do, just, you know, one check at a time and a thousand checks later and it'll probably get there so I don't know if I can turn this in to City Clerk or?

Mayor Diaz: At this time, ...

Mr. Doesten: Or no?

Mayor Diaz: No, because like the City, we're not set up for that and we would like to set up the account before we accept it.

Mr. Doesten: Okay, perfect. So I'll just keep it with me and then if Ms. Moreno contacts me later, I'll mail it in or something.

Mayor Diaz: And thank you very much.

Mr. Doesten: Thank you for your time, appreciate it.

Mayor Diaz: Thank you.

ITEM #06 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None available.

ITEM #07 – RESOLUTION NO. 14-32 OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, RATIFYING, APPROVING, AND ADOPTING THE FY 2014-15 JOHN A. VALENZUELA YOUTH CENTER RECREATION FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, AND THE PIO DECIMO CENTER, A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THIS RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND/OR THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT

Ms. Aguirre stated this contract is for administration services provided by Pio Decimo for the John Valenzuela Youth Center. The amount is \$75,000 for expenditures from October through the end of June. Councilman Green asked if this was separate from the one approved last, to which Ms. Aguirre replied it is separate and is related to a separate funding provided by Pima County. Motion by Councilman Rojas to pass Resolution No. 14-32. Seconded by Councilman Green. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #08 – RESOLUTION NO. 14-33 OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING THE SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S WRITE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE DEBTS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THIS RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SOUTH TUCSON HOUSING AUTHORITY DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT SAME TO HUD AND ITS FEE ACCOUNTANT

Ms. Chico stated residents have moved out and have left a debt behind. Rather than keep the debt on the books, HUD encourages Housing Authorities to write them off. Ms. Chico stated the write-off policy has been followed, and there are six debt write-offs, with a total amount of \$1,345.24. The following is the discussion on Item #08:

Councilman Green: There is one that says that he left to help his mother, wants back and not until he pays his debt.

Ms. Chico: Yes.

Councilman Green: Is there a list? Is there a ...

Ms. Chico: Oh, we have a waiting list.

Councilman Green: And, okay.

Ms. Chico: But we won't, I won't even accept his application until he pays this debt.

Councilman Green: Oh, okay. No, the way I understood this was that he left, now he wants to come back, move in immediately.

Ms. Chico: Well, he thinks he is, but ...

Councilman Green: Oh, ...

Ms. Chico: ... no, sir.

Councilman Green: ... okay. Thank you.

Motion by Councilman Rojas to pass Resolution No. 14-33. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #09 – EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. SECTION 38-431.03(A)(1)(3)

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

1. PERSONNEL MATTERS – POLICE CHIEF POSITION

Motion by Councilman Rojas to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene into Regular Session. Seconded by Councilman Green. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #10 – REPORTS – None at this time.

ITEM #11 – CALL TO THE AUDIENCE – No response from the audience.

ITEM #12 – ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Rojas to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Seconded by Councilwoman Mendoza. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Paul Diaz, Mayor

ATTEST:

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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 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014. I further certify the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Veronica Moreno, City Clerk