



MINUTES

TOWN OF MIAMI

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021 AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gonzales calls the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Mayor Gonzales led the pledge of allegiance and Vice Mayor Moat led the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Mayor Gonzales, Vice Mayor Moat, Councilmember Black, Councilmember Licano, Councilmember Medina (via Zoom), Councilmember Reiman and Councilmember Sosh.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Attorney Estes (via Zoom), Town Manager Gaudet, Town Clerk Norris, and Public Works Director Derhammer.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes April 12, 2021 Regular Meeting.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve Town Payroll for April 18, 2021.
- C. Consideration and possible action to approve Armed Forces Appreciation Day Proclamation.
- D. Consideration and possible action to approve 52nd Annual Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation.

Mayor Gonzales reads aloud both proclamations. Councilmember Black moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Licano. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

5. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND PRESENTATION OF BUDGET REPORTS:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for April 2, 2021 to April 15, 2021.

Open discussion and comments regarding various demands paid and voided checks. Councilmember Black moved to approve the demands for April 2, 2021 to April 15, 2021. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Gaudet reviews the local sales tax trends for the upcoming budgeting process. Brief review of the State Shared Revenues. Reports that staff has been preparing the upcoming budget.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Councilmember Medina comments on discussions with another Councilmember regarding prior discusses of putting a center lane on Highway 60 through town with possibly removing one of the traffic signals. This may come before Council for discussion.

Councilmember Sosh comments on his morning walks he has noticed that the Bullion Plaza Park has been mowed. He was informed that it was done by a local citizen; thanks the citizen for taking the time to do that for the Town.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Ordinance No. 379 amending the Code of Miami, Title 10 Vehicles and Traffic, by amending Chapter 10.12, Parking.

Town Manager Gaudet comments briefly on the changes requested at the last Council meeting. Reviews the goals and objectives of this proposed ordinance and summary of major proposed changes. Councilmember Licano points out that Section 10.12.110 (A), the very last sentence refers to parking meters. That needs to be removed. Brief discussion regarding whether or not Section 10.12.100 is needed. Town Attorney Estes states “yes” but there will be no issue with striking the last sentence in paragraph A. Open discussion regarding the maximum penalty and how would someone know how much to pay. Council feels this need to be clear. Discussion regarding the \$50.00 maximum penalty amount. Discussion regarding what is on the actual parking citation that is given; Council would like to see that. Discussion regarding trailers being parked on the street as well, that needs to be addressed. Councilmember Black moved to table this item until discussed issues can be addressed. Seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Town Attorney Estes asks Council to submit their concerns regarding the proposed Ordinance to the Town Manager so that they can all be addressed. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember

Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED – ITEM TABLED.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Information, discussion and possible action:** Approval of Miami Fiesta 2021, Saturday, September 18, 2021 to be held in the green and driveway of Bullion Plaza, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and approval of kick-off Fiesta Parade down Sullivan Street beginning at 9:00 a.m. – from Miami Avenue west to Bullion Plaza: with the Town to provide traffic control and barricades, as deemed necessary by the Miami Police Department.

Susan Hanson of Miami Genesis (via Zoom) presents this request to Council. Ms. Hanson reviews the proposed plans for the Miami Fiesta 2021 festivities. Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the Miami Fiesta 2021, Saturday, September 18, 2021 to be held in the green and driveway of Bullion Plaza, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. and approval of kick-off Fiesta Parade down Sullivan Street beginning at 9:00 a.m. – from Miami Avenue west to Bullion Plaza: with the Town to provide traffic control and barricades, as deemed necessary by the Miami Police Department. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

- B. Information, discussion and possible action:** Ordinance No. 380, amending the Code of Miami, Title 8 Health and Safety, by amending Chapter 8.08 Garbage and Trash Collection and Disposal.

Town Manager Guadet presents this item to Council. Town Manager Guadet reviews the goals and objectives of this proposed ordinance. Provides fairness and equity to the residents, helps alleviate blight and gives flexibility over fees and operations. Would like Council to consider approval of the ordinance with the ability to set the fees by passage of a resolution with a fee schedule. Open discussion regarding the current fee schedule for bulk item pick up. Discussion regarding the \$5 bulk rate fee that residents pay for is only for yard waste. If there are large items such as washers, dryers, furniture and such, they have to schedule the pickup of those items and the Town then bills them for the pickup. Town Manager Gaudet explains that staff is looking for simplification of the fee structure and the ability to adjust the fee structure via Council resolution. Mayor Gonzales stats that he is opposed to setting the fee structure by resolution. Open discussion and comments regarding issues the Town has had with bulk trash in the past. Councilmember Black feels we need to stay with the current rate but feels we need to put a limit on how much trash per household the Town will pick up. Brief discussion regarding the dump fees that the Town pays; we are currently in the black. Councilmember Reiman feels that some good points have been discussed and suggests Council have a worksession regarding this item. Councilmember Reiman moved to refer this to a work session. Seconded by Councilmember Licano. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black –

yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

C. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Resolution No. 1256, approving the creation of the Miami Renaissance Grant Program, authorizing the Town Manager to set aside up to forty (40) percent of the quarterly donations from Source One to fund the Miami Renaissance Grant program and authorizing the Town Manager to request funding from external sources for the Miami Renaissance Grant Program.

Town Manager Guadet presents this item to Council and reviews the goals and objectives of this proposed program. It would proactively combat blight, beautify high traffic areas, generate capital for street-facing improvements and attract and retain visitors to the area. Town Manager Gaudet reviews the key considerations for this proposed grant program. The goal is for the first year is for commercial properties and then expand to residential areas the second year of the program. Review of the proposed eligibility requirements. Councilmember Sosh asks who will review and approve the proposed projects, Council. Town Manager Gaudet states the Town Manager or the Town Council will do that. Councilmember Sosh states he feels that Council should review and approve the grant applications. Mayor Gonzales comments regarding the requirement to have a local business license. Some of the buildings that are in disrepair are in the business area but are not even occupied. Would like to have the grant available to those owners to help with dilapidated buildings. Discussion regarding safety issues and that the grant is for beautification and not for bringing buildings up to code. Discussion regarding this being a reimbursable type grant. Discussion regarding if a building would qualify if it is in the commercial area but used as a personal residence. Town Manager Guadet states yes it would. Discussion regarding the requirement of using a licensed contractor. Town Manager Gaudet explains that for some jobs a licensed contractor would be required. Mayor Gonzales asks if Town Manager Guadet researched how other Town's our size use this type of program and how successful was it. Town Manager Gaudet states that he did speak to other Town's with programs such as this and it has been a success. Councilmember Sosh asks who is going to determine the amount of funds that will go into the program. Town Manager Gaudet states that will be defined by Council at budget time. The plan is to do a grant award on a quarterly basis and the maximum award amount is \$9,500. If there are no grant applications received the money will stay in the account. Councilmember Sosh moved to approve Resolution No. 1256, approving the creation of the Miami Renaissance Grant Program, authorizing the Town Manager to set aside up to forty (40) percent of the quarterly donations from Source One to fund the Miami Renaissance Grant program and authorizing the Town Manager to request funding from external sources for the Miami Renaissance Grant Program. Seconded by Councilmember Black. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – nay and Councilmember Sosh – yea. MOTION PASSED.

D. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Resolution No. 1255, adopting a fair housing policy, making known the Town's commitment to the principle of fair housing, and describing action it shall undertake to affirmatively further fair housing.

Town Clerk Norris presents this resolution to Council for consideration. It is a “housekeeping” type item that we do on a yearly basis. This is often required for many grants the Town may apply for. Mayor Gonzales moved to approve Resolution No. 1255, adopting a fair housing policy, making known the Town’s commitment to the principle of fair housing, and describing action it shall undertake to affirmatively further fair housing Resolution No. 1255, adopting a fair housing policy, making known the Town’s commitment to the principle of fair housing, and describing action it shall undertake to affirmatively further fair housing. Seconded by Councilmember Black. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

E. Information, discussion and possible action: Approval of Ordinance. No. 381, amending the Code of Miami, Title 10 Vehicles and Traffic, by repealing Chapter 10.08 Bicycles.

Councilmember Licano presents this ordinance to Council explaining that this part of the Town Code is well outdated and thinks it is time for it to be removed from the Town Code. Councilmember Licano moved to approve Ordinance. No. 381, amending the Code of Miami, Title 10 Vehicles and Traffic, by repealing Chapter 10.08 Bicycles. Seconded by Councilmember Black. Mayor Gonzales calls for the roll call vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

F. Information, discussion and possible action: To approve amended IGA No. 012621 between Gila County and Town of Miami: Mackey’s Camp Road Maintenance – amending terms of the agreement Item G from “automatic renewal” to “may be renewed for three (3) additional one-year periods”.

Town Manager Gaudet presents this item to Council explaining that this item has been previously approved by the Town Council. Gila County legal counsel is requesting that Council approve amending the wording of Item G from “automatic renewal” to “may be renewed for three (3) additional one-year periods”. Councilmember Sosh moved to approve amended IGA No. 012621 between Gila County and Town of Miami: Mackey’s Camp Road Maintenance – amending terms of the agreement Item G from “automatic renewal” to “may be renewed for three (3) additional one-year periods”. Seconded by Councilmember Black. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

9. CALL TO THE COUNCIL:

Vice Mayor Moat comments that through his employer, they are doing MSHA classes at the Bullion Plaza gym and compliments how clean the gym is and how well organized it is.

Councilmember Medina comments that he is disappointed that the Town did not mention the Miami Rotary celebrating its 100 years of service to the Town of Miami.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Black moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Mayor Gonzales calls for the vote. Vote – Mayor Gonzales – yea, Vice Mayor Moat – yea, Councilmember Black – yea, Councilmember Licano – yea, Councilmember Medina – yea, Councilmember Reiman – yea and Councilmember Sosh - yea. MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Miami, AZ held on the **26th** day of **April**, 2021.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

DATED this **10th** day of **May**, 2021.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:



Sammy Gonzales, Mayor