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REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025, AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Pledge of Allegiance. Mrs. Evelyn Vargas gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

PRESENT: Vice Mayor Gonzales, Councilmember Medina, Councilmember Reiman, Councilmember Sosh, and Councilmember Stewart.

EXCUSED: Mayor Madrid and Councilmember Moat.

STAFF PRESENT: Town Attorney Wingo, Town Manager Rivera, Town Clerk Norris, and Public Works Director Derhammer.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve Minutes of May 12, 2025, Regular Meeting.
- **B.** Consideration and possible action to approve Town of Miami Payroll for May 11, 2025 \$98,778.95.
- **C.** Consideration and possible action to approve Gila County Library District, Library Service Agreement, July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Medina. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GENERAL DEMANDS:

A. Consideration and possible action to approve the General Demands for May 2, 2025 to May 15, 2025 - \$133,704.80.

Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the demands from May 2, 2025, to May 15, 2025 – \$133,704.80. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Medina. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Rivera reports that the walk-through for the Police Department HVAC RFP will be on Thursday, the 29^{th,} at 10:00 a.m. This Friday, the Town will hold an important meeting with FMI and Representatives Marshall and Blackman to discuss special funding for infrastructure projects. Friday, May 16th, representatives from the Town of Miami and WIFA convened to discuss funding opportunities for a sewer study inspection. Wilson Electric is commencing the LED project at the town hall today, which will continue until next week. Subsequently, they will transition to the library later in July. The initial meeting regarding the coordination of the calendar for the library roof project is scheduled for Tuesday, June 3rd.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Vice Mayor Gonzales thanks Town Manager Rivera and staff for the Council, staff, and family pool party a couple of weeks ago; it was appreciated. Vice Mayor Gonzales comments that one of the things important to him is having a police officer follow the school buses to ensure people stop when the buses are picking up and dropping off children. Last week, he saw two Miami police officers watching the buses while the kids were being dropped off and thanked the officers for that.

Councilmember Medina reports briefly on the "low-keyed" Memorial Day event at the Veterans Park and comments that Sergeant Hernandez stopped in and helped with the event, as well as periodically drove by to make sure everything was safe at the event.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Ray Webb, Miami resident, reports that he attended the State Historical Preservation Conference. He wants to bring this information to the Council in the hopes that the Council will start thinking about historical preservation in the Town. One of the speakers offered to attend a meeting and give a presentation to the Council to clarify what historical preservation truly entails.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Information, discussion, and possible action: Consideration and possible direction to Town Manager to proceed with the purchase of two police units for the Miami Police Department.

Town Manager Rivera explains this item is back before the Council because he needed to provide updated information as requested from the last presentation to the Council. The information has been included in this Council packet and in the agreement. Vice Mayor Gonzales moved to direct the Town Manager to proceed with the purchase of two police units for the Miami Police Department. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Information and discussion only: Presentation of the benefits of local participation in the Miss Arizona Organization, both for the individual and the community.

Miss Cactus Blossom Sorrin Garcia gives a brief presentation to the Council regarding the benefits of local participation in pageants. Miss Garcia explains that her goal is to start a Miss Miami pageant in Miami, as well as a Miss Globe and Miss Gila County pageant. Miss Garcia comments on the opportunities the participants can gain from participating in pageants. Miss Garcia comments on the skills and opportunities she received from participating in pageants. Brief discussion regarding the Town of Miami having pageants in the past. Discussion regarding what may be required to start a pageant. Discussion regarding age requirements for pageants. Councilmember Medina suggested exploring whether Miss Garcia may attend the League Conference to promote this platform. Vice Mayor Gonzales would like the Town to explore getting a pageant re-established in the Town of Miami.

B. Information and discussion only: Presentation of Child and Family Resources Services.

Ms. Thompson is not present. No discussion took place.

C. Information, discussion, and possible action: Consideration and possible approval to move forward with repairs to the Hostetler Pool concession stand floor as required by the Gila County Health Department.

Town Manager Rivera requested that the Council table this item so that staff may obtain the third estimate as required by Town policy. Councilmember Medina moved to table this item as requested by Town Manager Rivera. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for a vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED – ITEM TABLED.

D. Information, discussion, and possible action: Possible approval of FY 2025/2026 tentative budget.

Town Manager Rivera requested that the Council table this item as he has made some changes to the tentative budget grant revenue. Vice Mayor Gonzales inquired whether the budget includes funding for repairs to the library, such as plumbing, heating, and bathroom repairs and upgrades. Town Manager Rivera explained that he has budgeted \$900,000.00 for repairs to the library. Councilmember Stewart moved to table this item as requested. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Reiman. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for a vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED – ITEM TABLED.

10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Councilmember Medina requests that Town Manager Rivera look into historic preservation and present it to the Council at a future meeting. Thanks to the public for attending the meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Medina moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Vice Mayor Gonzales called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – excused, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – excused, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart - aye. MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 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 **27th** day of **May**, 2025.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present. DATED this **9th** day of **June** 2025.

	Karan Namia Taura Olada
	Karen Norris, Town Clerk
APPROVED:	
Gil Madrid, Mayor	