



MINUTES

TOWN OF MIAMI

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025, AT 6:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INVOCATION:

Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Madrid gave the invocation.

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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

STAFF PRESENT: Town Attorney Estes, Town Manager Rivera, Town Clerk Norris and Finance Director Arreguin.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Consideration and possible action to approve the Minutes of August 30, 2025, Work Session and September 8, 2025, Regular Meeting.
- B. Consideration and possible action to approve Town of Miami Payroll for August 31, 2025, for \$94,860.75.
- C. Consideration and possible action to approve Special Event for Special Event Liquor License application of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church for the 2025 Annual Church Fiesta, to be held Sunday, November 9, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., to be located at 844 W. Sullivan Street, Miami, AZ.
- D. Consideration and possible approval of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October 2025, Proclamation.
- E. Consideration and possible approval of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, October 2025, Proclamation.

Mayor Madrid reads aloud the proclamations for Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, 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 August 29, 2025, to September 11, 2025, for \$50,894.12.

Councilmember Sosh moved to approve the demands for August 29, 2025, to September 11, 2025, for \$50,894.12. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

6. REPORTS / RECOGNITIONS:

A. Town Manager Reports.

Town Manager Rivera gives a brief status report on the FMI grant for the study of the Town's sewer line infrastructure. Throughout September and October, the Town Manager will hold scheduled meetings with both the Senator and the Representative representing our district. These sessions are dedicated to presenting and reviewing the proposed budget for the Police Department equipment and dispatch services, and reporting on the emergency replacement of the air conditioning unit at the Police Department. Update report on the AZ SMART Grant process.

B. Mayor/Council Reports.

Mayor Madrid announces the \$2 million FMI Globe-Miami Resilience Fund. The fund is dedicated to supporting projects that address the most pressing risks to local resilience, whether related to infrastructure, environment, economy, or social well-being. A survey has been deployed for community members to share their insights on key challenges and opportunities. The Miami Homecoming Parade will be held on October 10th, and the Homecoming football game that evening. The Miami Mining Expo will be on October 4th. Mayor Madrid states Desert Fox will be meeting with the Town on October 7th regarding mining under the Town of Miami.

Councilmember Sosh announces that the Annual Town of Miami Car Show will take place on October 11th, with the Burger Burn scheduled for the evening of October 10th.

Councilmember Medina states that he has prepared a lengthy report, and it has been included in the Council packets.

Councilmember Moat comments on the article in the Arizona Silverbelt regarding the Adonis block watch and the Pershing Circle block watch programs. Supervisor Humphrey will be speaking at the next scheduled Pershing Circle block watch meeting. Councilmember Moat announces there will be a Pershing Circle block party jam session at John Pappalardo's house this Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

7. CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Don Wilson, Globe resident, announces Senior Night and honoring veterans this Friday night during the Miami High School football game against Pima. Senior Night starts at 6:30 p.m., before the game, and then the Honor Guard will honor our veterans. Comments on the Homecoming parade: If anyone is interested in entering a float in the parade, please contact Joy Wilson. Mr. Wilson states they are making a lot of progress on the housing survey.

City of Globe Mayor Al Gameros thanks the Council for approving the Special Event Liquor License for the church fiesta. Mayor Gameros invites everyone to attend. There will be food, music, raffles, and a beer garden.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Information, discussion, and possible action:** Consideration and possible approval to renew PHI Cares Emergency Air Medical Membership Benefits Agreement for Town of Miami residents in the amount of \$5,311.25.

Town Clerk Karen Norris presents this item to the Council, explaining that Ms. Brookshire was scheduled to attend via Zoom, but with Josh being absent tonight, we are not set up for that. Open discussion and comments regarding PHI response time, base locations, the Town of Miami community members benefited, and flights per month. Globe Mayor Al Gameros explains that the City of Globe has renewed its contract with PHI for its community members. Councilmember Stewart moved to approve to renew the PHI Cares Emergency Air Medical Membership Benefits Agreement for Town of Miami residents in the amount of \$5,311.25. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

- B. Information and discussion only:** Discussion on the abatement and cleanup process for blight, dilapidated buildings, and nuisance issues within the Town.

Mayor Madrid stated that the draft property survey is completed. Mayor Madrid comments on some concerns from the community about what the Town is doing and explains that the Town is only focusing on abandoned, unsafe, dilapidated properties. Mayor Madrid reviews the next steps in this process. Mayor Madrid wants everyone to understand that this process is going to take some time.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Information and discussion only:** Report to the Council regarding the donation of a flagpole and flags, including installation, to be placed on M Hill.

Mr. Richard Huerta stated that there were comments regarding how nice it would be to have a flag on M Hill. Mr. Huerta began a quest for funds to get a flagpole for M Hill. During this time,

he contacted Mr. Clarence Chappell from Florence to see if he knew of any organization that could help with getting a flagpole for M Hill. Mr. Huerta explains how Mr. Chappell contacted him, showing him a photo of a flagpole and asking if that flagpole would work. Mr. Chappell, on behalf of Omega Frances Charity of Arizona, donated the flagpole for M Hill. Mayor Madrid and Council conveyed their great appreciation for the donation.

- B. Information, discussion, and possible action:** Consideration and possible approval to adopt a Notice of Intent to increase wastewater and sanitation rates and set December 8, 2025, as the date for a public hearing on the proposed increase pursuant to A.R.S. §9-511.01 and A.R.S. §9-499.15 and direct the Town Clerk to post and publish the notice as required by law.

Town Manager Rivera presented this item to the Council, explaining that the last rate increase was in 2019. Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) completed the rate study and presented it to the Council in May 2025. Councilmember Medina moved to adopt a Notice of Intent to increase wastewater and sanitation rates and set December 8, 2025, as the date for a public hearing on the proposed increase pursuant to A.R.S. §9-511.01 and A.R.S. §9-499.15 and direct the Town Clerk to post and publish the notice as required by law. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stewart. Mayor Madrid called for a vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

- C. Information, discussion, and possible action:** Consideration and possible direction to staff regarding the placement of Miner artwork in the Town of Miami.

Town Manager Rivera requested that the Council table this item. Councilmember Medina moved to table this item. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED – ITEM TABLED.

- D. Information, discussion, and possible action:** Consideration and possible approval of Resolution No. 1320, authorizing application to the Arizona Smart Fund to support design and engineering for the Complete Streets Project.

Town Manager Rivera presented this resolution to the Council, explaining that it is for design and engineering for the Complete Streets Project. Councilmember Reiman asks if this is a 100 percent grant. Town Manager Rivera answers yes. Councilmember Medina moved to approve Resolution No. 1320, authorizing application to the Arizona Smart Fund to support design and engineering for the Complete Streets Project. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sosh. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED.

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION – An executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1) for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the Town Attorney and discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, salary, promotion, demotion or discipline of Town Manager, Alexis Rivera.

Councilmember Stewart moved to adjourn to executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Medina. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED. 7:41 p.m.

Councilmember Stewart moved to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Mayor Madrid. Mayor Madrid called for the vote. Vote – Mayor Madrid – aye, Vice Mayor Gonzales – aye, Councilmember Medina – aye, Councilmember Moat – aye, Councilmember Reiman – aye, Councilmember Sosh – aye, and Councilmember Stewart – aye. MOTION PASSED. 8:07 p.m.

10. CALL TO THE COUNCIL/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Town Manager Rivera announces that there will be scheduled work sessions in October to discuss and prioritize street repairs.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 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 22nd day of September, 2025.

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

DATED this 13th day of October 2025.



Karen Norris, Town Clerk

APPROVED:



Gil Madrid, Mayor