

MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, YUMA CITY HALL
ONE CITY PLAZA, YUMA, ARIZONA
JULY 2, 2025
5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nicholls called the City Council meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE

Pastor Phillip Hayman, Valley Baptist Church, gave the invocation. **Gregory Stack**, Assistant Utilities Director, led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

FINAL CALL

Mayor Nicholls made a final call for the submission of Speaker Request Forms for agenda related items from members of the audience.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Martinez, Morris, McClendon, Smith (attended telephonically), Morales, Watts, and Mayor Nicholls
Councilmembers Absent: None
Staffmembers Present: Acting City Administrator, John D. Simonton
Various Department Heads or their representative
City Attorney, Richard W. Files
City Clerk, Lynda L. Bushong

I. MOTION CONSENT AGENDA

Motion (Morris/Morales): To approve the Motion Consent Agenda as recommended. Voice vote: **approved** 7-0.

A. Approval of minutes of the following City Council meeting(s):

Regular Council Worksession Minutes	June 3, 2025
Regular Council Meeting Minutes	June 4, 2025

B. Executive Session

Executive Sessions may be held at the next regularly scheduled Special Worksession, Regular Worksession and City Council Meeting for personnel, legal, litigation and real estate matters pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 Section A (1), (3), (4), and (7). (City Atty)

C. Approval of Staff Recommendations

1. Approve a Series #10: Beer and Wine Store Liquor License application submitted by Andres Salcido, agent for Del Sol #4 located at 280 S. 4th Avenue. (LL25-10) (Admn/Clk)

2. Authorize the award and purchase of patrol motorcycles, for a one-year contract with the option to renew for four additional one-year periods, one period at a time, depending on the appropriation of funds and satisfactory performance, for an estimated amount of \$105,275.49 to Bobby's Territorial Harley-Davidson, Yuma, Arizona (RFB-25-174) (YPD/Purch)
3. Authorize the purchase of Information Technology Products and Services utilizing vendors awarded from the 15 cooperative purchasing agencies noted below, at an estimated amount of \$8,251,630.00. (CPA-26-001) (IT/Purch)
4. Authorize the purchase of Cisco Network devices, equipment, and licensing utilizing a Cooperative Purchase Agreement through the State of Arizona for an estimated total amount of \$340,000.00. (CPA-26-002) (IT/Purch)
5. Authorize the purchase of laptops, monitors, and docks utilizing a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Dell Technologies in the estimated amount of \$575,000.00. (CPA-26-003) (IT/Purch)
6. Authorize the renewal of a Software Subscription form Governmentjobs.com, dba NeoGov, El Segundo, California, at a one-year estimated expenditure of \$305,000.00 (IT/HR-SS-26-004) (IT/HR/Purch)
7. Authorize the sole source purchase of Badger Water Meters, encoders, and endpoints to replace existing water meters at an expenditure of \$1,596,126.78 to Badger Meter, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (SS-26-005) (Utl/Purch)
8. Approve the City of Yuma 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Annual Action Plan and authorize the City Administrator to execute funding agreements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). (Plng & Nbhd Svcs/Nbhd Svcs)
9. Approve an Infrastructure and Services Report for Annexation Area No. ANEX-43789-2025, identified as the Vision Assets, LLC Annexation, located at the northeast corner of W. 27th Street and S. 21st Drive. (Plng & Nbhd Svcs/Cmtty Plng)
10. Authorize binding of insurance coverage for Property, Public Liability (including Employee Benefits, Public Officials, Employment Practices, Liquor, Law Enforcement and Auto), Excess Liability, Crime/Dishonesty, Excess Workers Compensation, Cyber Liability, Automobile Damage, Drone, and Deadly Weapon coverage for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 for the total amount of \$2,283,039.02 to: Alliant Insurance Services, Inc., of Phoenix, AZ. (RFB-23-110) (Atty/Purch)

II. RESOLUTION CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution R2025-074 – Intergovernmental Agreement: Arizona Department of Transportation (Authorize the City Administrator to execute and Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to utilize Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) Exchange funding to assist in paying for the roadway infrastructure located on 40th Street from Avenue 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ E to Avenue 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ E) (Eng)

Mayor Nicholls declared a conflict of interest on Resolution R2025-074 due to his firm's involvement in the project, turned the meeting over to **Morris**, and left the dais.

Motion (Morales/Watts): To approve Resolution R2025-074 as recommended.

Bushong displayed the following title(s):

Resolution R2025-074

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, authorizing and approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Department of Transportation for the construction of the Avenue 7 E and 40th Street intersection and roadway segments (alternative route to access 32nd Street) (Eng)

Roll call vote: **adopted** 6-0-1, **Mayor Nicholls** abstaining due to conflict of interest.

Mayor Nicholls returned to the dais.

Motion (Morales/Watts): To adopt Resolution R2025-075 as recommended.

Bushong displayed the following title(s):

Resolution R2025-075

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, authorizing and approving Amendment No. One to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Arizona Department of Transportation dated March 3, 2023, for the design and construction of the upgrade pavement markings at four citywide locations (pavement markings at Giss Parkway, 16th Street, 32nd Street and Avenue B) (Eng)

Roll call vote: **adopted** 7-0.

III. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES CONSENT AGENDA

Motion (Morales/Watts): To adopt the Ordinances Consent Agenda as recommended.

Bushong displayed the following title(s):

Ordinance O2025-022

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, establishing City departments pursuant to the Yuma City Charter Article VI, Section 15, and Article VII, Section 6(g)(6), and repealing or amending any portion of an ordinance, resolution or City Code in conflict therewith (the department restructuring will accommodate customer needs with more efficient and effective services delivered to the community, while continuing to meet goals and objectives of the City Council) (Admn/Fin)

Ordinance O2025-023

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, amending Chapter 154 of the Yuma City Code, rezoning certain property located in the Agriculture (AG) District to the High Density Residential (R-3) District, and amending the zoning map to conform with the rezoning (approximately 50.55 acres of property located at the southeast corner of State Route 195 and 40th Street) (Plng & Nbhd Svcs)

Ordinance O2025-024

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, fixing, levying and assessing primary property taxes upon property within the City of Yuma subject to taxation, each in a certain sum upon each one hundred dollars of valuation, sufficient to raise the amount estimated to be required in the annual budget for the Fiscal Year 2026 less the amounts revenue and the unencumbered balances from the previous Fiscal Year, providing a general fund; and fixing, levying, and assessing upon property subject to taxation within the boundaries of each of the respective maintenance improvement districts numbered 100, 102, 104, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 115, 120, 124 and also upon property subject to taxation within the boundaries of the Main Street Mall and Off Street Parking Maintenance District No.1, each in a certain sum upon each one hundred dollars of valuation, sufficient to raise the amount estimated to be required for the operation, maintenance, repair, and improvement of the facilities of said district, all for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 (the Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Annual Budget is based in part upon an estimated primary property tax levy that is anticipated to raise \$17,291,632 in tax revenue) (Admn/Fin)

Roll call vote: **adopted** 7-0.

IV. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Bushong displayed the following title(s):

Ordinance O2025-025

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, annexing to the City of Yuma, a portion of Section 5, Township 9 South, Range 23 West of the Gila and Salt River Base & Meridian, Yuma County, Arizona, and amending Chapter 154 of the Yuma City code, as amendment, designating the zoning of certain property to the Residence-Manufactured Housing (R-MH-20) Zoning District, and amending the zoning map to conform thereto, pursuant to the provisions of Title 9, Chapter 4, Article 7, Arizona Revised Statutes as amended (approximately 4.46 acres consisting of 4 parcels) (Plng & Nbhd Svcs/Cmtty Plng)

Ordinance O2025-026

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, authorizing and approving the acceptance of title to certain real property and improvements, the execution of a government property land and improvements lease for a term of eight years with Spencrazi, L.L.C. as the prime lessee, the reconveyance of title to the real property and improvements at the conclusion of the described lease, and approving the abatement of the government property lease excise tax during the term of the eight year lease (parcel B of Center Pointe Commons Lot at the southeast corner of 16th Street and 4th Avenue) (Atty)

Ordinance O2025-027

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Yuma, Arizona, authorizing the acquisition of approximately 14.32 acres of real property by purchase and authorizing payment, together with costs necessary for the acquisition (located between Madison Avenue and Gila Street) (Admn)

V. APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHEDULINGAppointments

Motion (Morris/McClendon): To appoint Nora Morris to the Parks, Arts, and Recreation Commission, with a term expiration of December 31, 2025. Voice vote: **approved** 7-0.

Announcements

Watts, McClendon, and Mayor Nicholls reported on the following meetings attended and upcoming events:

- Western Arizona Council of Governments Community Action Board Meeting
- Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Board Meeting
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Youth Juneteenth Day Celebration
- City of Yuma Boards and Commissions Training
- Chamber of Commerce Mixer
- Western Arizona Council of Governments Executive Board Meeting
- Tour of the Boys and Girls Club
- Arizona-Mexico Commission Summit

Scheduling

Motion (Watts/Morales): That the City Council Worksession and City Council meeting, respectively scheduled for August 19th and 20th, 2025, be cancelled due to City Council's attendance at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns Annual Conference.

Voice vote: **approved** 7-0.

VI. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Simonton reported the following events:

- July 4 – 4th of July Fireworks Spectacular
- July 4 – The Caballeros de Yuma 37th Annual Independence Day Flag Raising Ceremony
- July 12 – Dive-in Movie Night – Luca
- July 12 – Back to School Rodeo

Simonton informed the community the Yuma Police Department will have a DUI task force out over the Holiday weekend, along with additional officers on patrol to ensure illegal fireworks are not being used.

VII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC - There were no speakers at this time

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Morales/McClendon): To adjourn the meeting to Executive Session. Voice vote: **approved** 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

APPROVED:

Lynda L. Bushong, City Clerk

Douglas J. Nicholls, Mayor