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PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR SESSION
MINUTES
Wednesday, December 20, 2023
9:33 AM

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman Jeff Serdy
Supervisor, District 5

Vice-Chairman Jeffrey McClure
Supervisor, District 4

Kevin Cavanaugh
Supervisor, District 1

Mike Goodman
Supervisor, District 2

Stephen Q. Miller
Supervisor, District 3

PINAL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEARING ROOM
135 N. PINAL STREET
FLORENCE, AZ 85132

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Chairman Serdy offered for the Invocation by Reverend Jerry Storrs, Sonland Lutheran Church, Casa Grande and the pledge of allegiance by Supervisor Cavanaugh.

The Pinal County Board of Supervisors convened at 9:33 a.m. this date. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Serdy with the announcement the Board may take a Recess around 12:30 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman Jeff Serdy; Vice-Chairman Jeffrey McClure; Supervisor Kevin Cavanaugh; Supervisor Mike Goodman; Supervisor Stephen Q. Miller

Staff Present: County Manager, Leo Lew; Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney, Chris Keller; Clerk of the Board, Natasha Kennedy and Deputy Clerk of the Board, Kelsey Pickard

(1) Call to the Public - Consideration and discussion of comments from the public. Those wishing to address the Pinal County Board of Supervisors need not request permission in advance. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.
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The following members of the public appeared before the Board and spoke:

- Congratulated Mike Goodman on his appointment as 2024 Chairman, regarding concerns with Central Arizona Community College executives' communication practices and requested the Board look into the matter. Requested the Board enhance employee benefit package, and for the Record provided the Clerk of the Board a USB for each Board Member; Jim Bannon, Gold Canyon.
- Regarding democracy; Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon.
- Regarding water wells and water concerns; Chris Frye, Florence.
- Regarding Item 14 and in favor suspending the fee schedule; Jenny Vitale, Chandler Civil Engineer, and Jaimee Griffin, Septic Installation Contractor, Arizona Registered Sanitarian.
- Thanked Supervisor Cavanaugh, Leo Lew, County Manager and Staff for their assistance in arranging and attending the City of Maricopa meeting regarding State Route 347 funding; Rich Vitiello, Council Member City of Maricopa.
- Provided a follow up of the OPEX Presentation, the statistics for online verse mail payments, and announced the Assessor's Office will be utilizing the machine; Michael McCord, Treasurer.

Item Action: Public Comments

(2) Presentation of Certificates of Service to employees for 20 and 25 years. (Leo Lew)

Leo Lew, County Manager presented Certificates for Years of Service.

Rebecca Padilla, Clerk of the Superior Court appeared before the Board, thanked Eloise Mariscal for her years of service and dedication.

Eloise Mariscal, Deputy Clerk Specialist appeared before the Board.

Mark Lamb, Sheriff appeared before the Board, thanked Joel Bonucci and Veronica Gomez for their years of service and dedication.

Item Action: Information Only

(3) County Manager's Report (Information Only). (Leo Lew)

Leo Lew, County Manager thanked Chairman Serdy for his 2023 Chairmanship and presented him with a Certificate, and provided the following updates; commended Dana Lewis, Recorder for stepping up on behalf of three absent presenters at the Certified Elections Officer Training, over forty employees are now Certified Election Officers, the need for a legislative change for yearly training to be offered, highlighted Tabletop Training Exercise progress in election training and security, and highlighted the new Public Defense Building Ribbon Cutting, followed by Video.

Item Action: Information Only

(4) Supervisor District update(s) regarding notable current or upcoming events concerning the district (Information Only). (Jeff Serdy)

Supervisor Miller provided the following District #3 update(s); on January 17th at the County Supervisors Association (CSA) headquarters from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., CSA will be hosting a reception for County Supervisors to network with State Legislators.

Supervisor Goodman provided the following District #2 update(s); Community Cleanup Event January 12th through 13th from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., you can register online or call District #2 Office if interested in volunteering for highway cleanup, and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Vice-Chairman McClure provided the following District #4 update(s); acknowledged the events he has attended, the Pinal County Historical Museums Christmas Dinner at the Windmill Winery, Public Works Roadeo, and the Secretary of State Tabletop Expo on Elections.

Supervisor Cavanaugh provided the following District #1 update(s); announced the vacancy on the County Merit Commission, meet with the City of Maricopa to discuss State Route 347 expansion and funding, and acknowledged the opportunity to represent Supervisor Miller at the Key Ceremony for a new handicap accessible home honoring Veteran, Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant. Supervisor Miller thanked Supervisor Cavanaugh.

Chairman Serdy provided the following District #5 update(s); thanked Republic Services for sponsoring the Community Cleanup Event for Gold Canyon, on January 8th at the Gold Canyon Community Church from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and spoke regarding the Queen Valley Bridge Grand Opening, followed by Video.

Item Action: Information Only

(5) Presentation of Certificates for District Civic Engagement Awards to the following Pinal County resident community members that are making a positive difference in the community:

- Brenda Hiscox (District 1)
- Lisa Horne (District 2)
- Jimmie Kerr (District 3)
- Jeff Heaton (District 4)
- Harold Christ (District 5) (Natasha Kennedy)

Chairman Serdy requested process clarification.

Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board provided clarification; the Clerk can read each District Civic Engagement Award or each Board Member can provide a brief overview of their resident community member being recognized.

Supervisor Cavanaugh recognized Brenda Hiscox, District 1 Civic Engagement Award presented.

Supervisor Goodman recognized Lisa Horne, District 2 Civic Engagement Award presented.

Supervisor Miller recognized Jimmie Kerr, District 3 Civic Engagement Award presented.

Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board read the Civic Engagement Award for Mr. Jimmie Kerr into the Record.

Vice-Chairman McClure recognized Jeff Heaton, District 4 Civic Engagement Award presented.

Chairman Serdy recognized Harold Christ, District 5 Civic Engagement Award presented.

Item Action: Information Only

(6) Presentation and discussion of Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve, A Conservation Success Story by Scott Hamilton, Natural Resources Manager, City of Scottsdale, Community Services. (Jeff Serdy/Leo Lew)

Scott Hamilton, Natural Resources Manager, City of Scottsdale appeared before the Board and presented.

Discussion held regarding Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve, cost, and the difficulty the county faces with citizens recognizing the need countywide by the following Board Members and City of Scottsdale Representative; Chairman Serdy, Supervisor Miller, and Scott Hamilton.

Item Action: Information Only

Supervisor Cavanaugh requested Chairman Serdy call Item 14 out of order in consideration of the Engineers present in the audience.

10:53 a.m. - Chairman Serdy called Item 14 out of order and prior to Item 7.

11:02 a.m. – Chairman Serdy returned to Item 7.

(7) Presentation of the updated Pinal County Workforce Development Board (PCWDB) Strategic Plan. The strategic plan includes the PCWDB's goals and strategies to achieve its mission. That mission includes being responsible for strengthening the ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County Workforce Development System. These strategies are based upon the desired outcomes of continuous improvement through innovation and the alignment of employment, training and education programs to promote economic growth. The 2023 PCWDB Strategic Plan was developed with input from board members at a series of three meetings facilitated by Sheila Murphy, LLC. This plan represents an update to the original PCWDB Strategic Plan, which was completed in 2020. (Joel Millman/James Smith)

Joel Millman, Workforce Development Manager and Director for ARIZONA@WORK Pinal County appeared before the Board, introduced the item and thanked the Board, Leo Lew, County Manager, Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney and the Clerk of the Board's Office for their support over the past year.

Harold Christ, Pinal County Workforce Development Board (PCWDB) Chair appeared before the Board and presented regarding the collaboration between all entities involved in the update to the Strategic Plan.

Sheila Murphy, Sheila Murphy, LLC, appeared before the Board and presented the updated PCWDB Strategic Plan.

Item Action: Information Only

11:18 a.m. – Chairman Serdy called Item 16 out of order and prior to Item 8.

11:54 a.m. – Chairman Serdy reconvened the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting following a brief Recess, and returned to Item 8.

(8) Discussion of updates related to the Elections Department and County Recorder for operations and preparation of upcoming elections. (Dana Lewis)

Dana Lewis, Recorder appeared before the Board, followed by Video, thanked the Communications Team and Pinal County for putting the Voting Operations Technology and Education Services Complex Video together and presented the following updates; Election processes, voter registration, security and preparation for 2024.

Discussion held regarding staff safety, contaminated mail concerns, a threatening email received and procedurally it has already been forwarded to the County Attorney's Office, GPS tracking units, and ballot printing vendors by the following Board Members and Staff; Vice-Chairman McClure, Supervisor Cavanaugh, and Dana Lewis.

Item Action: Information Only

(9) Purchasing Division Report - December 20, 2023 (Angeline Woods)

Angeline Woods, Office of Budget and Finance Director appeared before the Board and presented.

Supervisor Cavanaugh requested clarification of Request for Proposal (RFP) 201726 to Runbec.

Angeline Woods clarified this RFP is directly with Runbec, for an extension of this agreement and reconfirmed as mentioned by Dana Lewis, Recorder an additional RFP will be opening for the printing and mailing for elections by a secondary vendor.

Item Action: Approve the Purchasing Division Report as presented

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Miller

To approve the Purchasing Division Report as presented.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

(10) CONSENT ITEMS:

All items indicated by an asterisk (*) will be handled by a single vote as part of the consent agenda, unless a Board Member, County Manager, or member of the public objects at the time the agenda item is called.

Chairman Serdy announced Supervisor Miller has pulled Item F, and asked if there were any requests from a Board Member, staff or the audience to remove any additional consent agenda items for discussion.

Vice-Chairman McClure requested to pull Item J.

Item Action: Approved Consent Agenda Items A through AE, Minus F and J

Motion Made By: Supervisor Miller Seconded By: Supervisor Goodman

To approve Consent Agenda Items A through AE, Minus F and J.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

* A. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Minutes from November 9, 2023, and November 29, 2023, Special Session Meetings of the Board of Supervisors. (Natasha Kennedy)

* B. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the current billings before the Board. (Natasha Kennedy)

* C. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control for the Special Event License Application of Carrie Henderson, for the San Tan Scramble Trail Runs Event to be held at the San Tan Mountain Regional Park, located at 6533 W. Phillips Rd., Queen Creek, Arizona 85142 on Saturday, January 6, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. Additionally, authorizing the Clerk of the Board to execute and submit all necessary documents to the State. Supervisor District #1. (Natasha Kennedy)

* D. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control of application, series 006 Bar of Jared Michael Repinski for La Bodega Event Center, located at 13480 W. Jimmie Kerr Boulevard, Casa Grande, Arizona 85122 and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute and submit all necessary documents to the State. Supervisor District #3. (Natasha Kennedy)

* E. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the recommendation to the Arizona Department of Liquor License and Control of application for Temporary Extension of Premises/Patio Permit on March 17, 2024, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., application of Deborah Harris of C & D Enterprise, LLC DBA Rodeo Lounge, 8333 E. Sunrise Sky Dr., Gold Canyon, Arizona 85118 and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute and submit all necessary documents to the State. Supervisor District #5. (Natasha Kennedy)

Item F Pulled from Consent Agenda

* F. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Supervisor Miller's appointment of Brenda Hasler from Casa Grande, Arizona 85122, to serve on the Audit Charter Committee for District 3. The appointment term shall transfer from District 1 to District 3, serving from December 21, 2023, through December 31, 2024. Supervisor District #3. (Natasha Kennedy)

Supervisor Miller spoke regarding his appointment of Brenda Hasler to the Audit Charter Committee for District 3 and thanked her for her continued service.

Item Action: Approved Consent Item F

Motion Made By: Supervisor Miller Seconded By: Supervisor Goodman

To approve Consent Item F.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

* G. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the reappointment of Oliver Anderson, Maricopa, Arizona, 85138 to the Agriculture Extension Board. Oliver Anderson's Term of Service will be from January 2, 2024, through January 1, 2026. This reappointment has been recommended for approval by the University of Arizona County Extension Agent. (Natasha Kennedy)

* H. Discussion/approval/disapproval to direct Pinal County Finance Department to issue a replacement check in the amount of $201.60 to Copper Area News Publish Inc. in accordance with A.R.S. 11-644. Original Check No. 93492355 dated July 21, 2022, was never cashed and is now stale dated. (Natasha Kennedy)

* I. Discussion/approval/disapproval to direct Pinal County Finance Department to issue a replacement check in the amount of $5,067.69 to Pinal County in accordance with A.R.S. 11-644. Original Check No. 0293488096 dated April 26, 2022, was never cashed and is now stale dated. (Natasha Kennedy)

Item J Pulled from Consent Agenda

* J. Discussion/approval/disapproval authorizing the County Attorney to file a petition with the Federal Communications Commission requesting satellite market modification. (Ian Daranyi/Jeffrey McClure)

Vice-Chairman McClure spoke regarding this project; timeline, the request for market modification of satellite television in Pinal County, and thanked Staff.

Item Action: Approved Consent Item J

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Miller

To approve Consent Item J.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

* K. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the General Services Contract New Hope Program between Pinal County Animal Care and Control and Arizona Animal Welfare League, Arizona Beagle Rescue, Arizona Boston Terrier Rescue, Arizona Poodle Rescue, AZ Pug Life Rescue Society, Desert Dogs, Desert Labrador Retriever Rescue, Finally My Forever Home Rescue, Forever Loved Pet Sanctuary, Ghost Town Dog Rescue, Itty Bitty Bottle Babies, Kind to Nature Rescue, Leo Feline Foundation Rescue, Little Angels Rescue, Love Connection Dog Rescue, Love for Dogs, One Dog Arizona Rescue, Saving Grace Animal Rescue, Saving Orphan Souls Rescue, Southwest Oasis Lab Rescue, The Pet Knot, Tucson Cold Wet Noses, Valley Humane Society, and West Valley Animal Rescue. These contracts will expire in 2026, and will be at no cost to the County. (Audra Michael/MaryEllen Sheppard)

* L. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the certification that the total revenues received by the Justice Courts and the Superior Court, including the Clerk of the Superior Court, exceed the amount received in fiscal year 1997-98. The County Treasurer shall disburse the monies as directed pursuant to A.R.S. 41-2421, as amended. (Randee Stinson/Angeline Woods)

* M. Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Development Agreement between Habitat for Humanity and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors beginning December 20, 2023, ending January 31, 2025, for $100,000. Habitat for Humanity seeks to build an affordable home and provide down payment assistance to be sold to a low income household. Pinal County will use a portion of their FFY23 HOME allocation for this project as approved by the Board of Supervisors in the FFY23 Annual Action Plan. Supervisor District #4. (Heather Patel/Angeline Woods)

* N. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 122023-EconD by the Pinal County Board of Supervisors expressing support for a Foreign Trade Zone designation for LG Energy Solutions Arizona, Inc. in Queen Creek, Pinal County. The project represents the development of a site of approximately 650.5 acres formerly owned by Arizona State Trust Land, construction of up to three million square feet of industrial space, capital investment of $5.5 billion and the hiring of up to 3,700 employees at full build out. The Board previously approved a similar resolution on March 16, 2022. However, due to a name change to a successor company, a delay in the commencement of construction and the expanded scope of the project, there is a need for the Board of Supervisors to restate its support for the project. (James Smith)

* O. Discussion/approval/disapproval for renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement to provide Medical Examiner Services to Yuma County. (Andre Davis/John Hu)

* P. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Amendment #1 of Subrecipient Agreement #EMF-2023-APP-00008-S01 between the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors beginning July 1, 2023, ending June 30, 2024. The amendment is correcting the effective date of July 1, 2023, and shall terminate June 30, 2024. This grant will be used by Development Services for the operating budget of the Office of Emergency Management. (AD23-010) (Courtney Prock/Kore Redden/Joe Ortiz)

* Q. Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Final Plat for San Tan 320 Parcels 9-13. Supervisor District #1. (FP21-041) (Lindsey Randell/Joe Ortiz)

* R. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 122023-RD23-094 for the acquisition, design, construction, operation and maintenance of Central Arizona Parkway Phase I project from State Route 24 to Ocotillo Road, located in T1S, R8E, Section 34 and T2S, R8E, Sections 3, 10, 11, 14, 15. Supervisor District #2. (RD23- 094) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* S. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 122023-RD23-095 authorizing the design and construction, operation and maintenance of Ocotillo Road and Schnepf Road intersection located in Section 15, Township 02 South, Range 08 East and any necessary property acquisition for the project. Supervisor District #2. (RD23-095) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* T. Discussion/approval/disapproval and acceptance of a Deed of Easement, Slope Easement, and Temporary Construction Easement and Agreement from Reed's Rental Properties, LLC., all for the Combs Road Widening Project, located in Section 33, T2S, R8E. Supervisor District #2. (RD23-096) (Celeste Garza/Joe Ortiz)

* U. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Special Event Permit SEP-017-23, Gold Canyon Arts Festival, for the Gold Canyon Arts Council. Event to be held at Gold Canyon United Methodist Church on January 27, 2024. Supervisor District #5. (Eric Daniels/Brent Billingsley)

* V. Discussion/approval/disapproval to request a no-cost extension for award #AG23- 0016-017 between the Arizona Attorney General's Office and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors. The Pinal County Attorney's Office is requesting the new termination date be April 30, 2024. (Kent Volkmer)

* W. Discussion/approval/disapproval to request a no-cost extension for award #AG23- 0016-011 between the Arizona Attorney General's Office and Pinal County, through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors. The Pinal County Attorney's Office is requesting the new termination date be April 30, 2024. (Kent Volkmer)

* X. Discussion/approval/disapproval to submit a grant application to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission for the Arizona Criminal Justice and Treatment Improvement Program up to the amount of $350,000 with no match requirement. This grant will be used by the County Attorney's Office to pilot a DUI Diversion Program. Funds have been budgeted for FY23/24. (Kent Volkmer)

* Y. Discussion/approval/disapproval of the following appointments and resignations for the precinct committeemen for the Democratic Party:
Democratic Appointments:
Supervisor District #2
Precinct #71 Colton Darger, 3897 E. Sandwick Dr., San Tan Valley 85140. (Dana Lewis)

* Z. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 122023-ED-01 to cancel the January 13, 2024, Election for a board member of a certain political subdivision in Pinal County (Electrical District No. 3, Electrical District Number 4, Electrical District Number Six), pursuant to A.R.S. 16-410(A) as uncontested, and requesting the appointment of the person who filed to be a candidate to fill the respective position for the respective terms of office. (Dana Lewis)

* AA. Discussion/approval/disapproval of Resolution No. 122023-ED-02 to cancel the November 15, 2023, Election for a board member of a certain political subdivision in Pinal County (Thunderbird Farms #1 Irrigation Water Delivery District), pursuant to A.R.S. 16-410(A) as uncontested, and requesting the appointment of the person who filed to be a candidate to fill the respective position for the respective terms of office. Supervisor District #1. (Dana Lewis)

* AB. Discussion/approval/disapproval for Sergeant Doug Peoble S38/1226 who retired from the Pinal County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) on December 1, 2023. Sergeant Peoble S38/1226 has requested that, in compliance with established precedence and protocol, he be permitted to purchase his PCSO issued duty weapon, identified as Glock 17 at $25. Fair market value for Glock 17 is approximately $420. Purchase of issued weapon upon retirement is also in compliance with A.R.S. 38-1115A which allows a law enforcement officer upon his/her retirement to purchase his/her issued weapon at a price determined by the administrator of the agency. (Mark Lamb)

* AC. Discussion/approval/disapproval for removal of interest on Business Personal Property (BPP) B058005102, T Time Grill, for 2018 and 2019 tax years. The taxes were incurred prior to purchase of Mission Royale Recreational Golf Club Inc. The new owners are willing to pay the principal amount due of $8,837.80 for 2018 and 2019 taxes. (Diane Power/Michael McCord)

* AD. Discussion/approval/disapproval of abatement of 2017 and 2018 taxes pursuant to A.R.S. 42-18351(1) and A.R.S. 42-18352(D) for parcel 405-02-28107. Parcel is the City of Eloy property and should be exempt per Fee 2016-072347. Assessor's has corrected the 2019 forward as applicable. Prior years require Board of Supervisor's approval for abatement. (Diane Power/Michael McCord)

* AE. Discussion/approval/disapproval to accept the special legislative award for the CASA program grant between the Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Courts and Pinal County through the Pinal County Board of Supervisors beginning July 1, 2023, ending June 30, 2024, for $20,000. The Juvenile Court Services Department will use the grant for operational supplies to support the program. Acceptance requires an amendment to the FY23/24 budget to transfer reserve appropriation from Fund 213 (Grants/Project Contingency) to Fund 57 (Juvenile Prob/CASA) to increase revenues and expenditures. There is no impact on the General Fund. (Denise Smith)

12:18 p.m. – Chairman Serdy called Item 15 out of order and prior to Item 11.

1:00 p.m. – Chairman Serdy reconvened the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting following a brief Recess, and returned to Item 11.

(11) Meeting of the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors. (Christopher Wanamaker/Joe Ortiz)

Chairman Serdy recessed the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting and convened as the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Flood Control District Agenda

Chairman Serdy adjourned the Pinal County Flood Control District Board of Directors Meeting.

(12) Meeting of the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors. (Shawn Flecken/Cathryn Whalen)

Chairman Serdy convened as the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Library District Agenda

Chairman Serdy adjourned the Pinal County Library District Board of Directors Meeting.

(13) Meeting of the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors. (Merissa Mendoza/MaryEllen Sheppard)

Chairman Serdy convened as the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors Meeting.

Item Action: Convened into the Pinal County Public Health Services District Agenda

Chairman Serdy adjourned the Pinal County Public Health Services District Board of Directors Meeting and reconvened the Pinal County Board of Supervisors Meeting.

10:53 a.m. - Chairman Serdy called Item 14 out of order and prior to Item 7.

(14) Discussion/approval/disapproval to temporarily suspend the implementation of Resolution No. 110123-CD until further clarification, analysis, and support of the process and method utilized for the fee increases can be presented by the department, and if necessary, the authorization of a fee study to validate the fees implemented by Resolution No. 110123-CD can be presented to the Board, and to apply the previous fee structure to any pending applications while the suspension is in effect. (Brent Billingsley)

Joe Ortiz, Development Services Managing Director appeared before the Board and presented regarding Staff's request to temporarily suspend the implementation of Resolution No. 110123-CD to allow Staff to complete a Cost Recovery Study.

Supervisor Miller spoke regarding the process of the previous study completed by the Department encompassing the Septic System and cost recovery based on the 2021 cost recovery scenario, and informed a new fee schedule will be forthcoming.

Discussion held regarding accounting on pending applications, the study completed by the Department, and Fee Schedule process by the following Board Members and Staff; Supervisor Goodman, Supervisor Miller, and Joe Ortiz.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor Goodman Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve Item 14 as presented.

Friendly Amendment Offered By: Supervisor Cavanaugh, directing staff to conduct a Fee Study related to the Aquifer Protection Department; its operation costs, fees charged, and discuss the Fee Study results at a future Work Session.

Further discussion held regarding the Friendly Amendment and Fee Schedule Process by the following Board Members and Staff; Supervisor Cavanaugh, Supervisor Goodman, Joe Ortiz, and Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

11:02 a.m. – Chairman Serdy returned to Item 7.

12:18 p.m. – Chairman Serdy called Item 15 out of order and prior to Item 11.

(15) **Public Hearing** and discussion/approval/disapproval of Ordinance No. 2023-PZ-015-23 an Ordinance approving case PZ-015-23. David Fitzgibbons of Fitzgibbons Law (Agent) for Q3 Gold Canyon Landco, LLC. (Applicant & Owner), requesting approval of a Rezone to Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) Zoning District for the construction and operation of a drive- through restaurant, on a 0.49± acre parcel in the Transitional Zone (TR) Zoning District; tax parcel 104-12-001M – legal on file – situated in a portion of Section 08, Township 01 South, Range 09 East, of the Gila & Salt River Meridian Baseline, Pinal County, Arizona, located east of E. US Highway 60 and north of S. Kings Ranch Road in an unincorporated area of Gold Canyon, Arizona. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval unanimously (9-0) of case PZ- 015-23 with eleven (11) stipulations. Supervisor District #5. (Valerie Lujan/Brent Billingsley)

Valerie Lujan, Planner appeared before the Board, announced Nick Cook, Applicant Representative is here should the Board have any questions, and presented.

Chairman Serdy opened the Public Hearing and asked if any members of the public are present in the audience who wish to address the Board, to come forward at this time.

Roberto Reveles, Gold Canyon appeared before the Board and spoke in favor.

Chairman Serdy closed the Public Hearing.

Item Action: Approved as presented with eleven (11) Stipulations

Motion Made By: Supervisor McClure Seconded By: Supervisor Miller

To approve Ordinance No. 2023-PZ-015-23 an Ordinance approving case PZ-015-23. David Fitzgibbons of Fitzgibbons Law (Agent) for Q3 Gold Canyon Landco, LLC. (Applicant & Owner), requesting approval of a Rezone to Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) Zoning District for the construction and operation of a drive- through restaurant, on a 0.49± acre parcel in the Transitional Zone (TR) Zoning District; tax parcel 104-12-001M – legal on file – situated in a portion of Section 08, Township 01 South, Range 09 East, of the Gila & Salt River Meridian Baseline, Pinal County, Arizona, located east of E. US Highway 60 and north of S. Kings Ranch Road in an unincorporated area of Gold Canyon, Arizona. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval unanimously (9-0) of case PZ- 015-23 with eleven (11) stipulations.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

12:28 p.m. – Chairman Serdy announced the Board shall take a brief Recess, and upon reconvening will return to Item 11.

11:18 a.m. – Chairman Serdy called Item 16 out of order and prior to Item 8.

(16) Discussion/approval/disapproval of a Strategic Alliance Agreement with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) to provide economic development services for the period of January 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. GPEC's services will include marketing and promotion of the County, prospecting for additional businesses in targeted industries, and strengthening regional economic development cooperation. It is important to note that this agreement will ensure that all Pinal County communities will be provided services by GPEC. Currently, Apache Junction, Queen Creek, Maricopa, and Casa Grande are members, and this agreement will not change the memberships those communities have in GPEC. The County is authorized by A.R.S. 11-254 and 11-254.04 to conduct and make expenditures for economic development activities which are determined by the Board to assist in the creation or retention of jobs or otherwise promote the economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County. (James Smith)

James Smith, Economic and Workforce Development Director, appeared before the Board and introduced the item.

Chris Camacho, Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC), President and Chief Executive Officer appeared before the Board and presented.

Discussion held regarding GPEC services and connections, research and analytics support team, increasing partnerships, Pinal Airpark, Resolution Copper and other mines in Pinal County, and bringing representation to areas in Pinal County that are not represented; by the following Board Members, Staff, and GPEC Representative; Chairman Serdy, Vice-Chairman McClure, Supervisor Cavanaugh, Leo Lew, County Manager, James Smith, and Chris Camacho.

Item Action: Approved

Motion Made By: Supervisor Goodman Seconded By: Supervisor McClure

To approve a Strategic Alliance Agreement with the Greater Phoenix Economic Council (GPEC) to provide economic development services for the period of January 1, 2024, through June 30, 2024. GPEC's services will include marketing and promotion of the County, prospecting for additional businesses in targeted industries, and strengthening regional economic development cooperation. It is important to note that this agreement will ensure that all Pinal County communities will be provided services by GPEC. Currently, Apache Junction, Queen Creek, Maricopa, and Casa Grande are members, and this agreement will not change the memberships those communities have in GPEC. The County is authorized by A.R.S. 11-254 and 11-254.04 to conduct and make expenditures for economic development activities which are determined by the Board to assist in the creation or retention of jobs or otherwise promote the economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

11:42 a.m. – Chairman Serdy announced the Board shall take a brief recess, and upon reconvening will return to Item 8.

(17) Discussion of Board members' request for future agenda item(s) and/or reports to be presented at upcoming meetings. (Jeff Serdy)

Supervisor Goodman requested Staff research to determine if there are funds available through the Department of Housing and Urban Development or another avenue to assist when citizens do not have the funds to put in a proper septic system.

Supervisor Cavanaugh requested an agenda item in January 2024 dedicating the Office Building in Coolidge to a Korean War Veteran, timeline will be dependent upon receipt of the plaque.

Chairman Serdy inquired who is the Department of Authority.

Leo Lew, County Manager stated the Department of Authority is Facilities.

Item Action: Information Only

(18) Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3)(4) for legal advice and litigation update/strategy on Arizona County's Insurance Pool assigned litigation. (Chris Keller/Kent Volkmer)

Item Action: Convened into Executive Session for Items 18 through 21

Motion Made By: Supervisor Cavanaugh Seconded By: Supervisor Goodman

To Convene into Executive Session for Items 18 through 21.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Cavanaugh, Goodman, McClure, Miller, Serdy (5)

(19) Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3)(4) for legal advice and pending litigation and settlement discussions concerning tax case Machu Picchu, et al. v. Pinal County et al./ ADOR, TX2019-001718. (Chris Keller/Douglas Wolf)

Item Action: Convened into Executive Session

(20) Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03A(3) to obtain legal advice regarding enforcement of the Pinal County Development Services Code and related statutes and ordinances. (Chris Keller/Joe Ortiz)

Item Action: Convened into Executive Session

2:45 p.m. – Vice-Chairman McClure, Supervisor Cavanaugh, Leo Lew, County Manager, and Chris Keller, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney did not return to the Dais following Executive Session.

(21) Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) for legal advice on contributions to non- profit organizations. (Chris Keller/Leo Lew)

Item Action: Adjourned Executive Session for Items 18 through 21

Motion Made By: Supervisor Miller Seconded By: Supervisor Goodman

To adjourn Executive Session for Items 18 through 21.

Motion Passed

Ayes: Goodman, Miller, Serdy (3)

Absent: Cavanaugh, McClure (2)

2:45 p.m. – Chairman Serdy adjourned the December 20, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

PINAL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Jeff Serdy, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Natasha Kennedy, Clerk of the Board

Minutes Prepared By: Kelsey Pickard, Deputy Clerk of the Board

Approval of Minutes: February 7, 2024