

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
REGULAR MEETING - JULY 12, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**



Minutes

The City of Douglas Mayor and Council met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at City Hall Council Chamber, 425 10th Street. The Honorable Mayor Donald C. Huish called the meeting to order.

1. **CALL TO ORDER. 6:00 p.m.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. By Council**
3. **INVOCATION BY: Pastor Ismael Cortez, Templo Bethel**
4. **ROLL CALL.**

	PRESENT	ABSENT
MAYOR, DONALD C. HUISH	X	
MAYOR PRO TEMPORE, MARGARET MORALES	X	
COUNCILMEMBER, MITCH LINDEMANN	X	
COUNCILMEMBER, DANYA ACOSTA	X (Virtual)	
COUNCILMEMBER, RAY SHELTON	X	
COUNCILMEMBER, MICHAEL BALDENEGRO	X	
COUNCILMEMBER, JOSE GRIJALVA	X	
CITY MANAGER, ANA URQUIJO	X (Virtual)	
CITY ATTORNEY, DENIS FITZGIBBONS	X	
CITY TREASURER, LUIS PEDROZA	X	
DEPUTY CITY CLERK, CYNTHIA ACUÑA ROBLES	X	

5. **PRESENTATION of AWARDS.**

- A. **RECOGNITION** to Debbie Contreras for her business "**DEBBIE'S GOLDEN CURL**" in the community for more than 30 years.

Mayor Huish stated it was a great pleasure to extend warmest congratulations to Debbie's Golden Curl on behalf of the community and the City Council. Mayor Huish continued to say that as a full-service beauty salon they had provided exceptional service to the residents since January 1987 with a final operation day of June 30, 2023. Mayor Huish added that while there is a sense of loss and saying farewell to a business in the community but also recognizes and celebrates the incredible legacy she has left behind as she embarks on the next chapter of their lives. Mayor Huish expressed a heartfelt gratitude for the immemorable impact they had in the community and dedication to clients as setting a remarkable example for aspiring beauty professionals.

Mayor Huish thanked Ms. Debbie for her unwavering commitment to excellence and for the many lives she has touched. The council provided a certificate for Ms. Debbie.

6. **PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL IN WRITING OR VERBALLY ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

Ms. Acuña-Robles stated no public participation forms were submitted.

7. **DISCUSSION/DECISION on APPROVAL of CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:**

- A. **EXPENDITURES** for the month of **JUNE 2023** totaling \$3,387,604.38.
- B. **MEETING MINUTES** for **MAY 18, JUNE 7, JUNE 14, 2023.**
- C. **BOARDS and COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS** are retroactive to **JULY 1, 2023:**
DOUGLAS HOUSING CORPORATION I CASAS ESPERANZA REAPPOINTMENTS of **BELEN DURAZO** and **RAY NOVOA.**
DOUGLAS HOUSING CORPORATION I CASAS ESPERANZA APPOINTMENT of **CANDY CHAVEZ.**

**MERIT SYSTEM BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS of PAUL VILLAREAL and GILBERT AGUILAR.
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT of SHEILA AYROM.**

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

8. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION.

A. RECEIPT of the Final FY2022 AUDITED FINANCIALS.

Alejandro Martinez provided background information on the annual audit received by the contracted auditors, the Pun Group. In summary, Mr. Martinez stated that this year there were no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies identified. The auditors recommended improving internal controls regarding the year end process to make a few adjustments to journal entries.

Council Member Lindemann commented that he is very proud to be part of the finance department and is very appreciative of their work.

9. DISCUSSION/DECISION on APPROVALS.

- A. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-1166**, an Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **ADOPTING “2023 AMENDMENTS to the DOUGLAS ZONING CODE** and chapter 2.32” by reference to amend certain provisions to the update of rules and regulations to zoning within the City of Douglas and amending certain provisions of Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Title 17, of the Douglas Zoning Code, and amending chapter 2.32 of the Douglas Municipal Code relating to the Planning and Zoning Commission; establishing severability of components of Ordinance; and establishing an effective date thereof.

William Osborne provided background information and stated a work session took place in February 2023, a public hearing was scheduled in the beginning of April 2023, followed by session that discussed revisions and proposed changes to the proposed amendments.

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 23-1166.

Council Member Lindemann reiterate and thanked Mr. Osborne for taking on this challenge and stated that this would provide assurance that all discrepancies have been taken care of. Council Member Lindemann further stated that in moving forward this will not be in any way onerous to the homeowner on anything they would like to do in improvements to their property.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- B. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-1167**, an Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **ADOPTING the “2023 AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 15”** by reference to amend certain provisions of Chapter 15.08 of the Douglas Municipal Code relating to **BUILDING PERMITS AND INSPECTION**; establishing severability of components of Ordinance; and establishing an effective date thereof.

Mr. Osborne provided background information regarding the fee schedule which has been corrected.

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 23-1167.

Council Member Lindemann commended Mr. Osborne for taking on the challenge and believes that the fee schedules has been clarified and reflects actual costs that the city incurs, and it would not be a burden to the homeowners who wants to do any repairs or remodeling to their properties.

Council Member Shelton thanked Mr. Osborne for correcting the fee schedule.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- C. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1552**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the execution of an **EXTENSION** to the **BUILDING LEASE AGREEMENT** between the **CITY OF DOUGLAS** and the **ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS**, to continue to **PROVIDE SPACE** for the **DOUGLAS ANIMAL SHELTER** at 2017 Rogers Avenue, in the City of Douglas, Arizona.

Lt. David Rose provided background information.

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Shelton to approve Resolution No. 23-1552.

Council Member Lindemann inquired if the city has two full-time employees and a part-time employee.

Lt. Rose responded that there are three employees, but one is out on medical leave.

Council Member Lindemann asked if two employees were enough help.

In response, Lt. Rose agreed but in the future more personnel would be needed.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1553**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the City of Douglas to **ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING** from **WALMART** in the amount of \$3,500 as part of their **FY2023 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM**.

Lt. Rose provided background information regarding the Walmart grant in collaboration with the Douglas Fire Department, the Douglas Library, and the Douglas Police Department.

Motion by Council Member Baldenegro, second by Council Member Acosta to approve Resolution No. 23-1553.

Council Member Acosta asked if Walmart grant funding is for one thousand dollars for both police and fire programs and if the city contributed to those programs as well.

In response, Mr. Pedroza stated that the city has several programs like Christmas Drive that are done through fundraising in the community, the city seeks grants and contributions of donations throughout the community.

Additionally, Council Member Acosta inquired if the donation from Walmart was enough, especially with the big impact on prices or if there is a needed assistance to help the less fortunate families.

Mayor Huish directed staff to check into the three departments if they have any additional needs to be brought back.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- E. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1554**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the **ACCEPTANCE** of **FEMA ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS**

GRANTS (AFG) grant funding in the amount of **\$94,888.57** for the **purchase** of a **Fire PROTECTION Sprinkler system**.

Assistant Fire Chief Oscar Elias provided background information.

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve Resolution No. 23-1554.

Council Member Lindemann asked if the funding would replace the current sprinkler system.

Assistant Chief Elias responded that the Fire Department does not have a sprinkler system.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- F. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1555**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **DESIGNATING** the **FINANCE DIRECTOR, ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ** as the city's **CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER** for purposes of officially submitting the **FISCAL YEAR EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT** to the Arizona Auditor General.

Alejandro Martinez provided background information on the Chief Fiscal Officer designation.

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Shelton to approve Resolution No. 23-1555.

Council Member Lindemann commended Mr. Martinez and the Finance Department for their professionalism and general capabilities.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- G. **RESOLUTION NO. 23-1556**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the **ACCEPTANCE** of a **\$470,433.76** Proposal from **KE&G Construction** of **Sierra Vista** for the **Mill and Overlay** of **5th Street** from Pan American to Chino Road in the City of Douglas.

Luis Pedroza provided background information.

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Acosta to approve Resolution No. 23-1556.

Council Member Lindemann asked on the approved asphalt plant in this year's budget and if there was a timeline that that would come online.

In response, Mr. Pedroza stated that it's something they want to bring up with the budget process and as staff learns more about the asphalt plant process realized that the city is not ready for an asphalt plant given the current resources due to the demand of maintenance and the quality required. Mr. Pedroza added that the proposed change is not to acquire it this year but instead partner with the local asphalt provider KE&G from Sierra Vista as they provided a competitor price for delivering asphalt to Douglas. Moreover, Mr. Pedroza stated that the need for more people to manage the plant to get quality asphalt down to the science that it requires.

Council Member Morales inquired on how long the project anticipation would take to do the milling and paving on the street.

Mr. Pedroza responded that KE&G estimated approximately three weeks, but since it is a busy intersection and there is going to be some disturbance but certainly, they would manage to keep the road open throughout the process knowing of the heavy traffic.

Council Member Baldenegro inquired how much was budgeted for the asphalt plant.

Mr. Pedroza responded that a lease payment was budgeted that would cost approximately \$2M dollars and lease payment of \$211,000 a year.

Mr. Pedroza shared that the city received news from the state that the state shared revenues came in about \$550,000 dollars less than originally projected, therefore staff would be proposing some cuts to the budget to be able to make up for \$550,000 shortage; and one of the cuts included the asphalt plant which is \$211,000 dollars annual debt service for the reasons that were mentioned earlier to Council Member Lindemann.

Ms. Ana Urquijo added that the debt service staff was able to free up \$438,000 that was set up for the financing of the down payment. Ms. Urquijo continued to say that as staff continues to plan out long term needs for eventually purchasing an asphalt plant, the city has additional money that was planned to use for a down payment to go into a paving partnership as an example and is helping the city to go beyond 5th Street and Pan American and Chino Rd.

Council Member Grijalva mentioned that Mr. Pedroza stated that the street would be close but if for some reason they were to close the street, a lot of businesses only have one entrance and exit to their location and asked if there is an anticipation of street closure and if staff addressed businesses to prevent them from losing revenues.

In response, Mr. Pedroza stated that staff has not engaged with businesses not until staff gets authorization, but it is something that would be done and included in the cost there is a traffic control plan which the contractor would be responsible for and able to provide access to customers to those patrons to businesses. Lastly, Mr. Pedroza mentioned that advanced notices would go out to the affected businesses.

Council Member Acosta asked if the council would be given a plan or schedule to find out the street that would be part of the partnership with KE&G company.

Mr. Pedroza responded that staff is working with KE&G to quote other streets, in the works Chino Road section that staff is getting a quote, also a quote on Washington and Hohokam in front of the Huber Middle School and those are preliminary quotes to get a cost sense to be able to build budget numbers.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

H. CONTRACT AWARD to SUNLAND ASPHALT & CONSTRUCTION INC., for RUNWAY REHABILITATION at the DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Mr. Pedroza provided background information on the runway rehabilitation by using ADOT's \$1.5M dollar grant without a matching requirement to do a rehabilitation project. Mr. Pedroza mentioned that the city contracted with Kimley Horn Engineers to provide a design as required by ADOT for their approval which has been obtained. Moreover, Mr. Pedroza stated that the engineers have recommended a 2.5 inch Mill and Overlay for the airport as well as the extensive crack repair that currently exists, therefore, the 2.5 inch overlay would be sufficient to take out the felt that is currently in the pavement.

Additionally, Mr. Pedroza stated that Sunland Asphalt working out of the state contract quoted a \$1.9M dollars with \$473,000 dollars match that the city would need to come up with. Mr. Pedroza mentioned that ADOT notified staff of an opportunity to apply for a new asip for the airport capital improvement program for next year and apply for the gap to recover it next year.

Furthermore, Mr. Pedroza added that the city has an outstanding grant from Saving America's Treasures, a federal agency that focuses on historic preservation. Mr. Pedroza expressed confidence that the project can be completed successfully and it could take approximately three weeks, which would interrupt airport traffic and reroute them to BDI.

Mr. Pedroza commented that the airport authority met, and they were very supportive and happy with the project.

Lastly, Mr. Pedroza reiterated that this is a rehabilitation project and not a complete reconstruction as was originally recommended, which would add a seven-to-ten-year life to the runway.

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve the Contract Award to Sunland Asphalt & Construction Inc., for Runway Rehabilitation at the Douglas Municipal Airport.

Council Member Baldenegro asked if the city considered anything regarding Lifeline, like a helicopter pad or renovations.

Mr. Pedroza responded that the helipad is in the master plan, and it has been the city's request of the five-year plan to ADOT. Additionally, Mr. Pedroza stated that the city's plan is for a good location for the pad that would not cause much disturbance throughout the airport.

Council Member Shelton inquired if the city were to get another grant if the city would be able to add a three inch down on the runway.

In response, Mr. Pedroza stated that it would be dependent on the timing of the grant, and it would be possible. Mr. Pedroza added that ADOT has a \$2M dollar threshold on the use of the job order contract that the city is using with Sunland, therefore, exceeding would cost for this project to be bid out instead of using the contract from the state.

Council Member Shelton said that a three inch would be better. Mr. Pedroza agreed.

Council Member Lindemann expressed that his thought was that the paving season would be in the November time.

Mr. Pedroza responded it was dependent on weather and stated that the city did some road work in November of 2022.

Mayor Huish commented that when staff met with Sunland, they offered their expertise to try to help the city with what is needed to maintain it and asked if it was on the table with them.

Mr. Pedroza stated that in conversations they advise that they would take care of the cracks but it does not mean that they can resurface in the future, but they advise that addressing them right way with a crack sitting machine would go a long way and extend life even further.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

10. DISCUSSION/DECISION to call for and conduct an **EXECUTIVE SESSION** under the authority of ARS 38-431.03 (A3), (4), and (7) to consider its position, instruct its representatives and obtain legal advice regarding the following:

- A. PURCHASE and SALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN the CITY of DOUGLAS and HARELL COOLEY, LLC.**
- B. CARDON DEVELOPMENT GROUP BID FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.**
- C. UPDATE REGARDING THE PROPERTY SALE of VACANT LAND around the DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.**

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Morales to enter into executive session at 6:52 p.m.

Motion PASSED by a vote of 6-1. Voted Against: Council Member Jose Grijalva.

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Grijalva to adjourn the executive session at 8:07 p.m.

Motion PASSED unanimously. Voted Against: None

11. UPDATE regarding EXECUTIVE SESSION Items:

- A. PURCHASE and SALE AGREEMENT between the CITY of DOUGLAS and HARELL COOLEY, LLC.

Mayor Huish expressed that staff has been directed to enforce the contract of the sale.

- B. CARDON DEVELOPMENT GROUP BID for PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP.

Mayor Huish stated that action on this item will be taken during item 12A.

- C. UPDATE regarding the PROPERTY SALE of VACANT LAND around the DOUGLAS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

Mayor Huish stated that action on this item will be taken during item 12B.

12. DISCUSSION/DECISION on APPROVALS.

- A. **BID AWARD to CARDON DEVELOPMENT GROUP for PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP for CONSULTING on FUTURE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES.**

Jennifer Smith provided background information and stated that in early May the city issued a request for qualifications seeking submission of qualifications for interested multi disciplined and qualified private entities interested in public-private partnership for consultation on future economic development and investment opportunities. Ms. Smith added that Cardon Development LLC CDG in partnership with Chicanos por la Causa responded with a visionary P3 proposal aimed at transformative and sustainable economic development for Douglas. Additionally, Ms. Smith stated that such partnerships are crucial and efficiently leveraging resources for both public and private sectors to achieve more innovative outcomes.

Moreover, Ms. Smith commented that the two entities that the staff is talking about have a track record of successful collaborations and a deep understanding of the unique potential of Douglas. Furthermore, Ms. Smith added that their ambitious initiative is designed to boost economic activity and preserve the distinct personality of community values in Douglas.

CDG proposes a six-month strategic planning phase to develop an economic development master plan and form a direct development agreement. This process encompasses:

1. Agreement execution and selection July 2023
2. City Council/Staff Workshop to: August 2023
 - a. Orient Council members on the P3 initiative
 - b. Update on market trends and potential impacts
 - c. Detail roles, objectives, and key deliverables
 - d. Discuss the city's needs and limitations
 - e. Engage in a comprehensive Q&A session
 - f. Establish consensus on the strategic plan and
3. Follow-up Council Workshop to: October 2023
 - a. Unveil partnerships and progress made
 - b. Share preliminary plans, budgets, and required public investments
 - c. Determine 'next steps'
4. Finalize and present the strategic plan December 2023

This P3 proposal, based on an integrated and collaborative approach, positions Douglas for substantial economic growth while ensuring community needs and intentions are at the forefront of the strategic plan.

Ms. Smith mentioned that an RFQ does not have a monetary figure, this was a request for qualifications that will then allow staff if approved to engage in conversations to create a scope of work and timeline which then would be associated with, the figure and be brought for council's consideration.

Motion by Council Member Morales, second by Council Member Shelton and Council Member Grijalva to approve the Bid Award to Cardon Development Group for Public-Private Partnership for Consulting on Future Economic Development Initiatives.

Council Member Acosta stated that Ms. Smith clarified that this is the bid award to this company to enter negotiations. Additionally, Council Member Acosta commented that in relation to economic development, it would be great to see in future reporting on other things staff have been doing in the economic development arena and initiatives that staff have looked at or tried to do themselves.

Council Member Acosta added that having more detail or presentation as to other initiatives staff is working on.

Mayor Huish asked staff to put a report together as requested.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

- B. **SECOND READING of ORDINANCE NO. 23-1164**, an Ordinance of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the **SALE** of sections of VACANT land located around the Douglas Municipal Airport with Assessor's Parcel Number 410-01-005 pending a boundary survey and ADOT approval of a revised Airport Layout Plan to **JW RESOURCES, LLC**, pursuant to terms entered into by the parties; establishing severability of components of Ordinance; and establishing an effective date thereof.

Mr. Pedroza provided background information and stated that the information in red or bold was changed and all other terms remain the same. The sale price remains the same \$2,096,000 dollars for approximately 420 acres pending survey.

“• Buyer requested to include additional land as part of the sale that would encompass the south tie down apron and additional vacant land in all about additional 21 acres. See attached map of proposed sale area, pending survey and Revised Airport Layout Plan.

- Buyer commits to building a restaurant and a jet hangar within the south apron.
- Buyer will not contribute up to \$500,000 towards the rehabilitation of the runway.
- Buyer shall pay 3.5% or up to \$250,000 from the net proceeds of any sale of sections of the property to third parties, which is a decrease from 7% or up to \$500,000.
- In case the reversion clause is exercised it was clarified that only undeveloped land would be subject to the city taking back the property. Undeveloped property is defined as “any of the subject real estate transferred pursuant to this Agreement for which Buyer has not submitted development and construction plans to the city and which construction thereof has not begun to be undertaken by Buyer or its successors in interest in accordance with Section 13(d).”
- Clarified in section 8(a) the city will rezone for hangar homes and not residential.”

Motion by Council Member Shelton, second by Council Member Baldenegro to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 23-1164.

Council Member Grijalva thanked Mr. Pedroza for being clear on the terms of undeveloped land and that the city is looking to sale this land for the purpose to develop something and not just to have it.

Mayor Huish commented that he received comments from Steven Helfrich, a member of the community and expressed the following: 1) in the area of the taxiway, he felt that it would be better for the city to maintain some of the property for future growth, 2) also to make sure that water and sewer hookups were disclosed and made sure that was available, 3) property on the south end of the airport being private land and of course that would not be part of the sale, 4) truck traffic in the area should any type of industrial development would happen in the area.

Mayor Huish thanked Mr. Helfrich for bringing those items up.

Roll call: Voted in Favor: Mayor Donald Huish, Council Members: Margaret Morales, Mitch Lindemann, Danya Acosta, Ray Shelton, Michael Baldenegro, and Jose Grijalva. Voted Against: None.

13. CITY MANAGER REPORTS.

Ms. Urquijo provided the following updates:

- Migrants are released by Border Patrol and transported by Pima County to Tucson immediately upon release.
- New staff in city manager's office, Mr. Ismael Cortez as Public Relations Staff Assistant.
- Out of office next week accompanying some Council Members to Washington, DC. Meeting with congressional representatives and federal agencies to discuss the port of entry, downtown, NPIAS designation, water infrastructure and much more.
- 4th of July parade featured 45 entries, gratitude to entire team Parks & Recreation, Public Works, Police and Fire departments for their efforts for a wonderful event.
- Art in the Park is being offer to the community at Raul Castro Park Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Various games and activities each Friday at Veterans Memorial Park and Raul Castro Park all through July.
- Summer reading programs celebration at the end of the month.
- Tuesdays Talks with Ana started, and two community members signed up to meet with Ana.

14. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND REPORTS FROM COUNCIL AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS.

Council Member Grijalva reminded everyone about commodity's day at the Food bank. Additionally, council Member Grijalva expressed his condolences to the family of Brenda Tice who passed recently.

Council Member Acosta provided the date for the next Energize Douglas event to take place on July 28, 2023. Council Member Acosta expressed happiness to have more participation from other entities and businesses, the Art Gallery decided to be part of it, the Elks Lodge and is hopeful to promote and for people to walk downtown area.

15. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Council Member Grijalva, second by Council Member Morales to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Prepared by:


Alma Andrade, City Clerk